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FREDERICKTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT & FREDERICKTOWN LOCAL SCHOOLS FOLLOW UP STATEMENT REGARDING SOCIAL MEDIA THREAT

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - FREDERICKTOWN, OH, December 13, 2023

We want to provide an update on the incident yesterday at Fredericktown Schools. The Fredericktown Police Department took immediate action and assumed the lead in the investigation. We are fully cooperating with their authority to ensure a thorough examination of this matter. As of now, the investigation remains open, and the Fredericktown Police Department is diligently working to identify the source of the post. We understand the apprehension and anxiety this may be causing within our community, and we want to assure you that your child's safety is our utmost priority.

Importantly, it appears that this post has been received by at least three other districts in Ohio. The FPD currently does not believe the origin of the post is from Fredericktown and are working with all law enforcement agencies to trace its source.

Upon becoming aware of the threat, law enforcement and district administrators immediately initiated an investigation. The FPD and the district continue to collaborate to gather all relevant information, taking the necessary steps to ensure the safety of the students, staff, and the broader community.

We want to emphasize that the school's emergency safety protocols and procedures in place were activated, and an after-action review was conducted on Wednesday, December 13. As this is an ongoing investigation, please contact the Fredericktown Police Department if you have any additional information.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.