Geneva Area City Schools

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Geneva Platt R. Spencer Elementary 755 Austin Rd. (440) 466-4831, Ext. 3001 Dear Geneva Platt R. Spencer Parents, Students and Geneva Community Members,

The following information is being shared with you in regards to the closing of Geneva Platt R. Spencer on Friday, April 23, 2021. The decision was made to close the building after a social media threat was discovered. The threat was allegedly made by two elementary students. The School Resource Officer, Officer Cooper and Geneva Police Department were immediately contacted and they began their investigation. Any student who was identified or named as a possible witness and/or involved in the situation was contacted. The investigation was concluded on Saturday, April 24, 2021. Geneva Platt R. Spencer Elementary and all other schools in the Geneva School District will be open and on a normal schedule for Monday, April 26, 2021.

Safety for our students and staff are a priority. Any threat that the district becomes aware of will be investigated and dealt with as a credible threat to ensure the safety of others. Due to the nature and timing of the threat, the Geneva Police Department did not have sufficient time to fully investigate prior to the start of school on Friday, April 23rd. It was recommended by the Geneva Police Department and the School Resource Officer that Geneva Platt R. Spencer was closed for students (Friday, April 23rd) as the threat was considered to be isolated to only one building. We appreciate the timely and efficient response by the Geneva Police Department and our School Resource Officer.

Updates and additional information will be posted on the district's website at genevaschools.org under NEWS. We thank you for your understanding, support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Eric M. Kujala Superintendent

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