



**Lawrence R. Kroswek, Superintendent**

**Millington Community Schools School Safety Update**

December 6, 2021

Dear Parents and Community Members:

As you all know, there have been some inappropriate and irresponsible social media posts that have been perceived as possible threats to Millington Community Schools.

This morning we initially called a two-hour delay to give us time to meet as a staff with local law enforcement to reiterate and re-emphasize our Heightened Awareness Procedures in our school buildings and have our Chief of Police Oliver from the Millington Police Department to be updated on all inappropriate and irresponsible social media posts that have been dealt within the last five days that have come to light and the manner that those posts have been dealt with. However, as we came into school, we found that the two-hour delay was not enough time to complete our meetings and get the information out to all of our parents and community members. Therefore, we cancelled school.

Whenever we have had any of these posts we immediately notify local law enforcement, either our Village of Millington Police Chief, the Tuscola County Sheriff's Office or 911. From that point forward, the post is investigated to discover the origination of the post, the officers go to the home of the creator of the post and put all members of the families through an investigative interview to discern if there is any real intent. If intent is perceived by the officer, there will then be a search for evidence. Should there be any evidence of either intent or means of carrying out that intent, all evidence pertaining to the incident is seized and impounded. A report is made to the Tuscola County Prosecuting Attorney to determine what charges, if any, may be pending at that time. If it is a Millington Community Schools student, that student will be removed from school until the completion of the investigation and then more appropriate discipline may be administered from the school up to and including expulsion from school.

This is the process that we have worked hard to follow with the Millington Police Chief, Jason Oliver, the Tuscola County Prosecutor, Mark Reese and all of our school administrators and staff. In following this process, all inappropriate and irresponsible social media posts have been thoroughly investigated deemed to not be credible threats against Millington Community Schools. But, social media posts where students were posting something that they initially thought was "funny" or they admitted that they were "stupid" when interviewed by the local law enforcement. There was not direct or indirect threat to Millington Community Schools. But may have been a violation of the school's code of conduct and will again be out of school until the police investigation has concluded.

In the last months, before the Oxford High School incident, we have discussed enhancing our camera system in and around all buildings. Which was begun today. We have begun the process of procuring new entrance doors for the Jr./Sr. High School building. And, at the beginning of the school year we did meet with the Chief of Police and the Village of Millington Mayor to discuss a Resource Officer for the school system who could service both the school campus and our village throughout the school year and beyond.

These have been trying times and do want our children in school in a safe educational environment.



**Remember, there have been no credible threats against Millington Community Schools throughout any of these social media posts. But, they have all been dealt with in an appropriate manner by all involved. And, with the great efforts and immediate cooperation of Millington Police Chief, Jason Oliver and the Tuscola County Prosecutor and Sheriff's Offices we have been able ensure the safety of our children here at Millington Community Schools.**

**We fully anticipate having school in session at the regular time tomorrow, Tuesday, December 7, 2021.**

As always, thank you for all of your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

**Lawrence R. Kroswek**

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Millington Community Schools