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Dear RSU 19 Families,

As you may know, there have been posts circulating on the social media platform TikTok that encourage people to call in safety threats to schools on December 17. We are aware of the situation, and actively monitoring developments related to it, as well as updates from local law enforcement.

As of today, our school has not received any credible threats, and we plan to have students and staff on campus as planned. As is our regular protocol, if there are any safety concerns, we will work closely with law enforcement to investigate and determine next steps to keep all students and staff safe. The Newport Police Department will be visiting the schools today.

As you know, the safety and well-being of our students is always our top priority, and we are grateful for your ongoing partnership in this effort. Please take some time to talk with your students about the influence of social media and the potential consequences of engaging in behavior that negatively impacts others. We must take every threat seriously and students who participate in any threatening behavior will face serious consequences in accordance with our school policies.

We appreciate your support to keep our campus community safe. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

RSU 19 Administration