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TO: Jefferson R-VII School District
FROM: Clint D. Johnston, Superintendent of Schools
DATE: December 17, 2021
RE: TikTok Challenge

Today, TikTok users around the country were "challenged" to post threats to local schools. We were aware of this challenge that has gone virtual, and the District worked in close contact with our local law enforcement authorities to ensure that proper safety protocols were in place.

At this time, we have had no communication about any concerns of this threat in the Jefferson R-VII School District, nor are we aware of our students having any direct participation to this challenge.

Please be assured that any and every threat made toward our schools, both today and in the future, will be treated in a very serious manner.

As always, resources are available at our schools for any student or staff member who needs to talk to a counselor due to any concerns they may have.

Lastly, I would encourage you as a member of the Jefferson R-VII Community to take the time to use this as a "teaching moment" to educate those around you on the importance of treating our friends, families, and neighbors in the Blue Jay Nation with kindness and respect, and keeping each other safe.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding these events, please do not hesitate to contact my office.