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RE: School Safety Advisory - Tik Tok Rumors

Dear Nevada County Students, Families, and Educators -

The local education agencies of Nevada County are aware of warnings being posted on the social media outlet *Tik Tok* about alleged nationwide school shootings scheduled to take place on Friday, December 17, 2021. This is yet another example of irresponsible and dangerous social media posts that have surfaced in the past six months. This latest post is circulating nationwide via various social and public media outlets.

We want to assure you that there are NO CREDIBLE THREATS directed toward any Nevada County schools or education related programs. All county school administrators work closely with local law enforcement agencies to quickly respond to and investigate any potential threat that may impact our students, staff, and schools.

The safety and well-being of our students and staff remains our top priority. Although we have no evidence of any potential threat directed to county education programs and schools as a result of this *Tik Tok* posting, we are issuing this advisory out of an abundance of caution. Please take this opportunity to speak to your students about the appropriate and mindful use of social media and not sharing information that is untrue or creates undue fear. Most importantly, should any student, parent/guardian, staff or community member see or hear of anything suspicious or threatening, please promptly report that information to any school site/program administrator or staff member.

Sincerely,

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