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December 6, 2021

Dear Buck Families.

Today, a high school student made a verbal threat during school hours. Students who were aware of the threat notified school leadership, and administrators immediately investigated the situation. All school safety protocols were followed, including notifying the police. Local police authorities were on site after school and have determined that there is no threat to student safety. Police will be present at Buchanan High School tomorrow morning.

On December 3, 2021, the Berrien County Sheriff issued a notice of warning to anyone who makes a school threat. All threats will be taken seriously, will be investigated and will be forwarded to the County Prosecutor's office. As such, this situation is now being handled by law enforcement.

School safety is our number one priority. The district will continue to work with law enforcement officials to ensure that all Buchanan Community Schools students are able to attend classes while in a safe learning environment. I also want to commend those students who shared this information with school leadership. Please be reminded that, in addition to reporting threats to school staff, everyone has access to the confidential reporting tool, OK2Say.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me at 269-695-8401.

Sincerely,

Patricia Robinson Superintendent