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Dear WTPS Staff and Families,

Our District administration was made aware of various social media activities – including posts on TikTok- that threaten violence against schools throughout the United States on December 16th and December 17th. The threats are generic and not specific to any school or town, but rather to schools in general.

These threats have been vetted locally through the Washington Township Police Department (WTPD), regionally through the Gloucester County Prosecutor's Office and nationally through the Federal Office of Emergency Management and have been deemed not credible.

We will remain in ongoing discussions with these agencies who will be actively monitoring the situation for any connection to our community. Out of an abundance of caution, they are increasing the WTPD patrols in and around our schools tomorrow and through all of next week.

The safety and security of our staff and our students is always our top priority, and we will continue to communicate with you with updates as necessary.

As always, we are grateful for your support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe Bollendorf". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Mr. Joseph Bollendorf, Superintendent