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Dear Voorhees Community,

A social media post was brought to our attention this morning, December 16, 2021, by the New Jersey Department of Education Office of School Preparedness and Emergency Planning. A video has been making the rounds on Tik Tok warning of nationwide school shootings on December 17th along with hashtags #december172021, #december17th, and #december17.

The New Jersey Regional Operations & Intelligence Center is currently unaware of any specific, credible threats concerning this video relating to New Jersey schools. A similar threat has also been found on Snapchat. It can be expected that these posts may migrate to other social media platforms or surface in messaging between students.

We take these matters seriously and have communicated with the Voorhees Township Police Department. As a precaution, on Friday, December 17, 2021, there will be an increased police presence in and around our schools. This increased presence will continue up to and including Thursday, December 22, 2021.

If we are notified of any additional and pertinent information, we will communicate this information directly to our community. Please encourage your child to bring any information they may have directly to a school official or the Voorhees Township Police Department. We ask all parents to please have a conversation with their child and discuss the consequences of reposting or sharing this type of information over social media.

Respectfully,

Michael Redfearn Acting Superintendent