

Tawas Area Schools

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Good Evening Tawas Area Staff, Students, and Families,

I first want to begin by thanking everyone for their patience and support during the day today. I know that these situations cause increased concern, and we appreciate your understanding during this time.

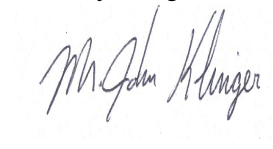
This morning, Tawas Area Administrators received a general threat written on a piece of paper and left on a bathroom floor in our middle school that required an investigation.

The Administration responded quickly to gather as much information as possible, which included working collaboratively with law enforcement. Out of caution, we entered into a soft lockdown, restricting movement throughout the building as well as greatly limiting people entering and exiting our building.

Currently, the situation is still under investigation, and we are following the guidance provided by law enforcement. We take all threats to school safety very seriously, and continue to do so by involving law enforcement each step of the way.

At this time, Tawas Area Schools will hold school tomorrow. We will use our secure mode rules that will allow for safe movement throughout the buildings, will limit entry and exit points from the buildings, keep students learning in classrooms with locked closed doors, we will limit and carefully monitor visitors who might need to enter or exit the building, and we will have police presence on campus. We are also asking our families to help support the process by limiting the items your child brings to school. We are also strongly recommending that your child not use a backpack if possible. If your child does use a backpack, please understand that it may be searched at any time.

Thank you again for all the patience, support and understanding today,



Mr. John Klinger

Superintendent

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