

Nationwide Social Media Threat

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• [Joseph Steimel](#) • 18 hours ago • Thursday, Sep 19 at 5:09 PM • **Eastport-South Manor Central School District**

Dear Eastport-South Manor Families,

We have been made aware of a nationwide threat against schools circulating on social media. The post warns about the harming of students while they are evacuating during a fire drill. Details from authorities can be read in the attachment.

Most importantly, I want you to know that there is currently no direct threat to the students or staff in our school district and the Suffolk County Police have been tracking the situation closely. Authorities have determined the threat to be non-credible.

We will maintain open communication with SCPD to stay up to date on this matter.

Nonetheless, we understand that such news can cause fear and anxiety for families, students and staff, and we want to reassure you about the safety of our schools.

The safety and security of our students and staff remain our top priority. Please be reminded that our district has well-established protocols in place to ensure that all drills, including fire drills, are conducted in a safe and orderly manner.

Some students may feel anxious or nervous about this news.

I want to remind our families that we have a wide array of mental health resources available for any student who may need support, including our dedicated counselors, social workers and psychologists.

Once again, there is no direct threat to our district and we will keep our community updated should we receive any additional information about the situation.

Please take this opportunity to speak with your children about the importance of “if you see something, say something” and alerting the school district of any potential threats to safety.

Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully,
Joseph A. Steimel
Superintendent of Schools