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"Bulldog...It's more than our mascot; it's our character"

Michael J. D'Ostilio Principal Gregory Muscelli, Ed.D. Assistant Principal

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Dear Bulldog Families and Staff,

This letter is to keep you abreast of a situation at BHMS that we are monitoring closely. Since around 8pm last evening, one of our teachers received several emails from an anonymous source on a Gmail account where the sender was posing as a random student's relative and requesting the student receive disciplinary consequences. One email referenced students with first names and also said these individuals were thinking about doing violent acts at school.

Last night we notified the interim superintendent, the police, technology, and school security. This morning we had an increased police presence at the school. We also met with two detectives of the Washington Township Police Department. Those detectives followed up on any possible leads we had from the emails. This included inspecting computers, driving to the various homes, speaking with parents of students, and checking personal emails. At this moment, we are unable to identify the sender of the emails. Therefore, the detectives we are working with are conferring with Google to get more identifiable information to help us decipher the originator of the emails.

The families we have spoken with have been truly cooperative and forthcoming. That being said, currently the threat in the emails does not appear to be credible. Unfortunately, acts such as this take an incredible amount of time to unpack with the use of a lot of resources. Please know as a result of the collaboration that the administrators at Bunker Hill, the Washington Township District Office, and the investigative bureau of the police department, we are all taking this very seriously as we continue to investigate any and all leads. We will continue to be diligent and monitor the situation. We thought it best that we reach out to our Bulldog families this evening.

As always, if you have any concerns, please feel free to reach out to reach out to Dr. Muscelli or me.

Very Sincerely,

Mike D'Ostilio

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