William H. Christensen, Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

This morning I communicated a situation that was reported to us today at 1:30 am. A generic post was shared on a social media source. At this time, the origination of the post is still under investigation, but we do not have any reason to believe that it was directed at the Sidney Central School District. Following the post, it was shared by several Sidney students to other Sidney students.

Law enforcement has been involved since the post was received. This morning a message was posted to our school district Facebook page and a global connect call was sent to all students. Staff were also notified of the situation. Additionally, the state police, county sheriff, and Sidney Police Department had additional officers on campus to speak with any concerned parents and to assist. The administrators have continued to speak with parents throughout the day.

The school district takes all threats or potential threats very seriously. We practice and attempt to be prepared for such situations. We also continue to improve our on campus security through our latest and upcoming construction projects. Your child's safety is our number one priority and we take this very seriously. We thank all of the local law enforcement agencies for their assistance. The collaboration and teamwork makes everyone safer. If any additional information becomes available I will update you.

Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely

William H. Christensen, Ed.D

Superintendent