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Dear Albion Central Community:

On November 6, 2019 I wrote you about an investigation the District and local law enforcement were conducting following reports that a small number of students shared inappropriate and threatening messages and images.

At a Press Conference this afternoon, Albion Police Chief Roland Nenni reported the investigation, which began with the reported off-campus threat from one student to another uncovered additional information that then "revealed that three Albion Middle School students were in the process of developing a plan to enter the Albion Middle School with explosives and firearms to kill and injure students and staff on a date that had been set to carry out this attack."

Chief Nenni further reported, "The three students under the age of 16 have been charged with conspiracy in the 2nd degree, a Class B felony. The conspiracy being that they conspired to commit numerous counts of the A1 felony of murder in the 2nd degree."

The Chief noted, "As part of the investigation numerous searches were conducted and several legally possessed firearms, electronic evidence and other supporting material were seized."

Chief Nenni concluded, "While this was a credible threat, we feel the attack on the school was not imminent. From learning of the initial threat, steps were taken to increase school security and at no time were staff or students in danger. The planned attack on the school has been mitigated and the Albion school campus is safe."

A potentially dangerous situation has been averted because students with knowledge of a potential danger spoke to school personnel and multiple agencies, each part of our Threat Assessment Team, worked cooperatively to address the situation. The students involved have been suspended out of school as the investigation and the discipline process continue.

This incident reminds us that it is critical that when students and adults suspect something, they report it immediately to school personnel or law enforcement.

If you have information related to the current issue or other incidents, please contact the appropriate school principal or myself so that, together, we may continue to work with our community partners to keep our students safe – our first priority.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Schools

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