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Dear Charles Street School Parents:

This morning at approximately 8:00 AM, an unsubstantiated, written threat was found in the Charles Street School. The threat was specific in nature, may have been written by a student, and indicated that a bomb was in a specific locker. Staff immediately notified administration who, in turn, immediately notified the Palmyra Police Department. To ensure an abundance of safety, students and staff were safely evacuated from the building and relocated to the community center while the police investigated the threat. The Palmyra Police Department determined that the threat was non-credible and the building was deemed safe for occupancy. County resources (bomb sniffing dogs) were utilized to assist in the investigation. Students and staff safely returned to the Charles Street School to resume their school day.

The task of safely relocating nearly 500 students to the community center could not have occurred without the professional and caring assistance of a great staff and a supportive police department.

All threats against students, staff, and facilities are taken very seriously and the district will pursue appropriate consequences against any individual(s) who may be involved in making a threat.

Should you have any questions or information about this incident please do not hesitate to contact my office, or the district's School Resource Officer, Officer Kendall at 786-9300 ext: 3178.

Sincerely,

Brian J. McBride
Superintendent of Schools