

Good afternoon, this is Brian Matney, principal of Landstown High School, with an important message regarding school security.

As you know, recent events have heightened public concerns nationwide about safety in our schools. At Landstown, we continue to work hard to be proactive.

We did, in fact, pursue trespassing charges against a former student today who was arrested for failure to follow proper check-in procedures. A thorough-going search of the school was subsequently done by law enforcement authorities as a precaution, and no threats to school safety were manifested.

Over the past week, it has been reported by our division's Office of Safe Schools that comments have also been made via social network sites about potential problems at area schools on Friday.

Should you notice an increased police presence on campus tomorrow, please know that it is precautionary. Should you overhear any student comments or remarks regarding potential problems, report this information to our main office.

Once again, do note that we have not confirmed any threats to school safety at Landstown. This communique is being sent strictly to notify you of a possible increased presence by local authorities and to proactively address any rumors on social media sites.

As always, we appreciate your help in this important matter.