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AbbyPD Responds to Threat of Violence Message Circulating Online

Abbotsford, BC – April 7th, 2025 - Last evening, the Abbotsford Police Department became aware of an email and social media posts circulating among parents and the community, claiming that acts of violence will occur today, April 7th, 2025, targeting various schools in Abbotsford.

Over the weekend, AbbyPD responded to numerous "swatting" calls across the city, which falsely claimed that violence was occurring, and people were in danger. Each call was assessed and responded to by AbbyPD, and all were determined to be false.

AbbyPD is taking today's claimed threat of violence seriously and is currently investigating the origin of the messages. Currently, there is no information to suggest that this threat is real, and investigators believe this incident is yet another swatting attempt.

The Abbotsford Police Department remains committed to ensuring the safety of our community. Should any new information regarding student safety come to AbbyPD's attention, the AbbyPD will ensure the public is informed.

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