



NEWS RELEASE

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On November 13, 2014, the Portage Department of Public Safety School Resource Officer, assigned to Portage Central High School, was contacted by school administration regarding threats made by a student.

During the investigation, it was determined that one student had felt that he had been bullied and had made a list of other kids that he did not like. This list was shared with other students, and one of those students informed their parents, who in turn immediately contacted the school. The school took quick action by removing the student from the classroom, contacting parents and informing the school resource officer.

The school, the police department, and the parents of all the students involved have worked closely together during this investigation to protect all the kids in the school and provide assistance to those that need it.

This afternoon, parents of students at Portage Central High School were notified of this incident by way of email.

The Portage Department of Public Safety and the Portage Public Schools want to take this time to remind parents to speak to their children about the impact of bullying and the importance of reporting any unusual or suspicious activity to a school administrator or a police officer.

The investigation by the Portage Department of Public Safety is ongoing.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Portage Department of Public Safety at 329-4567 or Silent Observer at 343-2100, www.kalamazoosilentobserver.com.

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