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Case No. 16-21676

On October 20, 2016, the Portage Department of Public Safety arrested a 15-year-old student at Portage Northern High School (PNHS) after it was reported he was threatening violence towards others at the school.

A staff member and concerned students heard the suspect talking about his plans and quickly notified the School Resource Officer (SRO) and administrative staff at PNHS. The staff took immediate action, isolated the student, and removed him from the school. There were no weapons at the school and no imminent danger to any students or staff.

The Portage Department of Public Safety and the Portage Public Schools are continuing to work closely together during this investigation.

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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