## **Norwalk City School District**

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On Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, Norwalk High School and the Norwalk Police Department were given notification regarding a threatening post received by a student at the school. The message was received using an anonymous application. Since the receipt of the message, the Norwalk Police Department has conducted an investigation and determined the threat is non-credible.

The Norwalk City School District will operate as normal on Friday. This choice was not made lightly or in isolation. Input from law enforcement was a significant factor in the decision and we appreciate their guidance and support. The Norwalk Police Department will maintain a presence throughout the District.

The safety of those entering our schools is a serious issue. We understand the concerns of our parents and respect their right to make decisions for their children. To that end, parent requests to excuse their children from school on Friday will be honored and credit will be given for missed work providing parents notify their child's school by phone on Friday and send in a written request on Monday. Students will be able to participate in extra-curricular activities regardless of attendance on Friday. Both the Norwalk City School District and the Norwalk Police Department recognize this situation is stressful, worrisome and frustrating for our students, parents, staff and community. We thank you for your patience and support.

Sincerely,

George Fisk, Superintendent, Norwalk City School District David Light, Chief of Police, Norwalk Police Department