

April 9, 2023

Dear Smith Middle School families,

As part of our ongoing effort to be a good neighbor and keep an open line of communication with our parents, we would like to take a moment to share information with you regarding an event that took place at our school.

On Thursday night, there was threatening graffiti found on school property. Students' first names were listed with a threat to cause them harm this Monday, April 10. In response to this, the district's safety and security department, in partnership with the Dearborn Police department and the Smith administrative team, have investigated this threat. While student interviews are ongoing, the Dearborn Police department have deemed this to be a non-credible threat.

Families of the involved students have been notified. We will continue to update you on this event as we prioritize communication and feedback from our Smith community. Your children's safety is our ultimate priority. Out of an abundance of caution, we will have a police presence at our building tomorrow.

We are very grateful for our strong partnership with the Dearborn Police Department and our school resource officer program, as it assisted us in acting swiftly and appropriately to this situation. As a reminder, any threat is considered very serious and will be treated as such. Please review the letters shared at the start of the year from the [Wayne County Prosecutor's Office linked.](#)

Our staff is always concerned for the safety and well being of our students, and we pride ourselves on creating a safe environment for your children when they are here at school. O.L.Smith has always been, and will continue to be a safe haven for your children. Working together we will keep our school and neighborhood a great place to live, work, play and learn.

Sincerely,

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