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Dear Parents, Staff and Concerned Citizens:

This afternoon, I was requested to be at Avon High School to be briefed by the high school's administration after finding written threats. Statements were written on walls in two of the school's restrooms that directed threats at school staff, destruction of school property and racial and anti-Semitic epithets. The Avon Police were already at the high school when I arrived and are conducting a criminal investigation into this incident.

We have engaged an established system to review these types of incidents and are working cooperatively with police officials.

I wish to stress that at no time was the safety or security of Avon High School compromised. Additionally, we are using all available resources and processes to respond properly and will keep you updated as appropriate. We do not anticipate any interruption to the school schedule.

Thank you for your continued support and patience as we work to maintain safe and productive learning environments in our schools.

I remain very truly yours,

Gary S. Mala

Superintendent of Schools