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Dear Parents/Guardians/Caregivers:

It is with great pleasure that I am able to announce Northwest School Division has collaborated with community partners across the northwest to develop the "Community Threat Assessment and Support Protocol." This Protocol allows community partners to share information and use their expertise to implement the appropriate supports for students and their families. Furthermore, Northwest Schools have also established School Threat Assessment and Support Teams including the principal, school counsellor, and police to work with the Protocol.

These actions have been undertaken to help fulfill our Board expectation to provide a safe, respectful learning environment within our schools. Northwest School Division is dedicated to ensuring that students, staff, school visitors, and community members feel safe. Collaboration with families and community partners is viewed as critical to attain our goal.

For more information on the Community Threat Assessment and Support Protocol, please visit our website at nwsd.ca. Information and a brochure that outlines the steps for the Protocol can be found under our information for Parents. If you have any questions about the process, please contact your school principal.

We look forward to working with you and our community partners to provide safe and caring schools. Sincerely,

Duane Hauk Director of Education Northwest School Division