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UPDATE: Social Media Threat is a HOAX

Yesterday evening, a social media post was circulating, indicating that a shooting would take place at Redwood High School on Monday.

Visalia Police Detectives with the Violent Crimes Unit and Youth Service Officers immediately began an investigation. Detectives found that this threat was a hoax.

Based on the investigation, VPD detectives do not have further reason to believe there are any safety concerns toward students, staff members or the school campus.

However, there will be an increased law enforcement presence throughout all VUSD campuses this week.

The Visalia Police Department would like to remind everyone that ANY social media post of this nature is unacceptable and those responsible will be held accountable. We urge all students and parents to talk about social media and the consequences of posting inappropriate material, including any type of threat. ALL threats will be taken seriously and those posting such threats will face both legal and school discipline charges.

As always, we remind everyone if you see something, please say something.

This is still an active investigation. We will be sending out an updated press release once more information is received. Anyone with information is encouraged to contact the Visalia Police Department at 559-734-8117.

