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**Update: Suspect Arrested** 

Henrico Police have charged a 16-year-old juvenile with making threats of bodily injury to persons on school property. No other information on the juvenile is being released.

## School Threat Determined Not Credible

Late in the evening on Thursday, March 8, 2018, Henrico Police became aware of a threatening message that mentioned Glen Allen, Godwin, and Deep Run High Schools that was circulating through the community via social media. Throughout the night, Henrico Police along with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Homeland Security pursued leads which led to the origin of the message. Further investigation identified a juvenile person of interest and determined that the threat was **not** credible. The investigation is still on-going, and no charges have been placed at this time.

Henrico Police extend a sincere thank you to the hundreds of citizens who shared timely information which assisted in this investigation. We also need to thank the principals of the three mentioned schools whose assistance was invaluable. This was a collaborative effort between the community, law enforcement, and schools.

Henrico Police have been working with Henrico County Public Schools on plans for a normal start to the school day on Friday. Citizens can expect to see an increased police presence around these three schools and others on Friday.

The safety of our school students and staff is a top priority. The Henrico County Police Division will continue to work with Henrico County Public Schools to ensure they have a safe environment to learn.

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