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Brenner: Rumor of Threatening High School Message Determined to be Unfounded

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Darien High School administrators determined Wednesday afternoon that there was no foundation to a rumor that a seemingly threatening statement written on a boys' bathroom wall, Superintendent of Schools Dan Brenner announced in a news release.

The rumor was that someone had written "Do not come to school on 3/23" (Thursday), according to Brenner. Administrators at the high school checked all the bathrooms and didn't see the message.

"Administration [staff] conducted a complete investigation, includin questioning a number of students, and after consultation with the Darien Police, we are confident this rumor is unfounded and that there is no threat to our school or any of our students," the news release said.

The news release concluded:

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Full Text

Here's the full text of the news release, emailed at 4:46 p.m.:

This afternoon the High School Administration was made aware of a rumor that someone had written "do not come to school on 3/23" in an unidentified boys' bathroom in Darien High School. After a thorough search of all bathrooms in the school, no evidence of this message was found. Administration conducted a complete investigation including questioning a number of students, and after consultation with the Darien Police, we are confident this rumor is unfounded and that there is no threat to our school or any of our students.

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