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Hello Shumate Families,

It has come to our attention that there was a social media message shared out this evening regarding a picture of a student holding a weapon, which included a threatening caption. After an investigation by Shumate Administration and Gibraltar Police, it was determined that the individual in the photo is neither a student of Shumate nor associated with Gibraltar School District. **Because we understand the power of social media, we wanted to reassure our families that no threat exists toward our district schools.**

As a reminder, if you or your student ever believes that a threat exists, the correct action should be to immediately contact district administration or the local authorities. When individuals take it upon themselves to share or reshare threatening posts on social media it fosters and perpetuates rumors and creates an environment that causes fear and anxiety in our students and families. We ask that you please discuss with your children the implications and associated consequences of using or sharing threatening language regardless of the communication platform.

We take the safety and security of our students and staff members very seriously and want to ensure everyone that any threat or action toward our buildings will be handled immediately and full prosecution under the law will be recommended.

Yours in Learning and Safety,  
Eric Cassie & Dave Anderson