

Unknown suspects making threats against schools

Schools across the country, including in Lake Tahoe, are on heightened alert as threats are being made that violence will erupt on Dec. 21. Some are saying this has to do with the Mayan calendar as well as potential copycats after last Friday's shootings in Connecticut.



“Although there have been several rumors circulating throughout LTUSD (Thursday), we have not had any credible reports of incidents from the South Lake Tahoe or Douglas County (law enforcement), nor has any other school in El Dorado County according to the county superintendent’s office,” Angie Keil, spokeswoman for Lake Tahoe Unified School District, wrote in a mass email.

The district went so far as to leave telephone messages about 6pm Dec. 20 alerting people to the rumors and that the district is following up on every threat.

The FBI is also involved.

Washoe County sheriff’s deputies are also on heightened alert.

“Enhanced patrols in and around Washoe County schools will occur during the entire school day on Dec. 21. In addition, the Northern Nevada Counter Terrorism Center will be providing participating agencies with intelligence information, as it monitors conditions across the nation,” the department said in a press release. “While no credible threats have been received in Washoe County, area law enforcement is working together to ensure the safety and security of students and faculty.”

Extra security, including uniformed officers, is expected at

LTUSD schools on Friday.

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