

Parent Resources Relative to the Recent Threats of Violence at School

We recognize the importance of keeping your children safe when they are in school. We also care about their safety when they are online, both at school and at home. Social media and online gaming are a part of most children's lives in the 21st century. As we navigate this challenging time with respect to threats of violence at school, we want to share with you information that was provided by law enforcement. Below you will find a link to a release of information from the FBI regarding violent online groups targeting minors. These groups target children through use of social media and online games. Children often use their online games as a way to relieve stress. With some students experiencing stress at school due to the threatening situation, we thought it may be helpful for parents to learn more about the dangers that these social media and gaming platforms are presenting to our children. This information was shared with superintendents in IU 18 by an FBI agent working on the school threats. Please check out the information in the link below:

[Violent Online Groups](#)

Parents and children are encouraged to reach out to their school counselors if they are in need of additional support. Our school administrators and SROs are also available to help our students. We have a network of support available to assist all stakeholders of our school community.