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“Clown” Related Threats

As many of you are probably aware we have been dealing with multiple incidents in BC and throughout North America relating to “Clown” threats. These threats are typically referencing kidnapping or targeting schools with threats of violence.

We are experiencing numerous and repeated incidents since the initial “Clown” related threats were first identified in late August. The majority of individuals engaging in this behaviour appear to be imitators. However, it is important to use due diligence when responding. Respond to these posts and threats as you would to any form of an anonymous threat utilizing your Violence Threat/Risk Assessment Protocols.

The majority of these threats are appearing throughout social media platforms primarily through Instagram and Snapchat accounts. Law Enforcement and Safer Schools Together have been involved in investigating similar pages that have been created throughout the country but there has been no violence reported at this time.

If these threats are brought forward by a student, please ensure to capture a screen shot of the image and commentary. The majority of the “Clown” images are stock images, but it is still recommended to conduct a reverse image search to confirm whether stock or unique.

As Violence Threat/Risk Assessment Protocol references, please ensure you contact your local Law Enforcement agency when these threats are brought to your attention.

If you require any immediate assistance, please contact Safer Schools Together directly at (604) 560 2285 or email saferschoolstogether@gmail.com

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