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LCSO Arrests Student for Written Threats, Ensuring School Safety

On Thursday, September 12, the Leon County Sheriff's Office received a tip regarding a student at Nims Middle School who allegedly made threats of a mass shooting via social media. LCSO immediately began investigating the information, which led to the discovery of concerning evidence related to the student's social media activity. The student, a 14-year-old male, was interviewed about the social media posts and denied making the threats. The investigation this week confirmed that the account belonged to the student, linking him to the threats.

The student is charged with felony written threats to commit a mass shooting. The student was transported to the Juvenile Assessment Center.

LCSO, in coordination with Leon County Schools, treats all threats toward schools with the utmost seriousness. We remain vigilant in investigating any potential threat and ensuring the safety of our students and staff. Parents and guardians are encouraged to have open discussions with their children about the seriousness of making threats and the potential consequences.

The FortifyFL app is available to anonymously report any suspicious activity related to Leon County Schools or call 850-922-KIDS.



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