



## **Steel Center's Response to School Shooting Hoax**

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Good afternoon,

Steel Center for CTE is aware of reports from across our region, state and even nationally about alleged school shootings today. We have confirmed with the West Jefferson Hills Police Department along with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit that these reports are false or hoaxes. It appears to be a trend related to computer generated false reporting of acts of violence in schools known as "swatting".

Steel Center has received no threats, however we are taking a number of precautions to ensure the safety of our students and staff including: not admitting any visitors that do not have a scheduled meeting or pre-existing reason to be at the school, having the presence of Jefferson Hills Police on campus this afternoon, and closely monitoring all doors and entrances.

Staff members have been reminded to be vigilant in our processes and procedures related to safety. Today is a good reminder that no threat, real or fabricated, can be ignored.

Thank you for your supporting Steel Center as we guide our students on their *Pathway to Success*.

Warm regards,

Kevin Rice  
Executive Director

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