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PRESS RELEASE

On Thursday, December 16, 2021, at 8:05 a.m., the Frostburg City Police School Resource Officer was alerted to the possibility of a school threat involving a firearm at Mountain Ridge High School.

Additional Frostburg City Police (FPD) officers responded to each of the three schools in Frostburg for preemptive, precautionary security presence. The Allegany County Public Schools (ACPS) security team responded to Mountain Ridge High School as well. Mountain Ridge High School was placed on lockdown as a precautionary measure while the investigation was conducted.

Officers learned of two incidents in which there was a possibility of the possession of weapons. FPD and ACPS conducted searches at the school, and, at the request of FPD, Allegany County Sheriff's Deputies responded for private residential search activities outside of the City. None of the searches revealed any corroborating evidence of firearms or weapons.

Based on the investigation, including interviews, video surveillance footage, and searches, the possible threats have been deemed unsubstantiated. The lockdown has been lifted; however, additional police presence will remain in schools as an additional safety precaution.

FPD officers are at the schools in the City of Frostburg daily.