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### **An Update on the Suspicious Device at Middletown High School**

On September 28th, 2022, the Middletown Police Department and Middletown High School Administration received information of a possible explosive device in the MHS boys' bathroom. An unidentified device was located, and the school was evacuated in accordance with district and police policies. This resulted in an early dismissal of the high school. With the assistance of surrounding agencies, the building was secured and determined to be safe.

As the result of an investigation, a 17-year-old male was identified on September 28th, 2022 and found to be responsible for placing the device in the bathroom. He is charged with Inducing Panic (Felony in 2<sup>nd</sup> degree) and school discipline was administered. The investigation continues.

The Middletown Division of Police and Middletown City Schools are dedicated to the safety and security of the students and staff. Threats to the safety and security will be investigated and will not be tolerated.

If you have any information regarding this threat or other threats please contact the Middletown Division of Police.