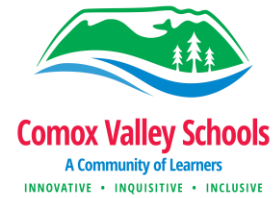


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Lake Trail Middle School will resume normal operations

Comox Valley, B.C. – Lake Trail Middle School will reopen Friday, November 27 and resume normal operations.

The school was closed today following the receipt of a threat targeted specifically at the school.

Out of an abundance of caution, the Comox Valley RCMP and school district decided to close the school while the credibility of the threat was assessed and investigated.

“Reports of this nature are always treated as serious and authentic until we conduct a thorough investigation to confirm the credibility of the report” said Cst. Monika Terragni, Media Relations Officer, Comox Valley RCMP stated in a press release. “We are still investigating and continue to work with the school district; however, there is no longer any evidence to suggest an ongoing threat to the school.”

The swift actions of the school district staff and the close partnership with the RCMP lead to a prompt and thorough actions to ensure the safety and security of all staff and students was maintained. We thank the local detachment for their vigilance and response to this threat.

Anyone with additional information can call the Comox Valley RCMP at (250) 338-1321 and refer to file 2020-19222. If you wish to make an anonymous report, contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS or online at comoxvalleycrimestoppers.bc.ca.

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