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Social media threat is unfounded

A social media post with an perceived threat to Tyrone Middle school was investigated by the St. Petersburg Police Department and found to be NOT credible. The post contains an image of a man holding what appears to be holding a black gun.

An article released by the Daily News in 2014 clearly shows the same photo is tied to a series of bank robberies outside of Florida three years ago.

Please see article: <http://www.nydailynews.com/news/crime/tough-guy-facebook-selfies-gun-tie-suspect-robberies-fbi-article-1.1718441>

We ask that everyone refrain from sharing this and any other possible threat to students and schools. Please report any perceived threat to law enforcement, so they may be properly investigated and the appropriate action taken.

There will be increased patrols at Tyrone Middle School, but once again there is no credible threat to the school at this time.