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## **STATEMENT REGARDING THREAT OF SCHOOL VIOLENCE IN WEST JORDAN**

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(WEST JORDAN, UT) – On Thursday, November 7, West Jordan Police Department became aware of a threat of school violence involving a student who attends school in the City of West Jordan. Detectives worked late into the night to identify the juvenile suspect. The suspect was located, interviewed and booked into a secure detention facility.

“We believe there is no remaining threat to students in any of our schools,” said Police Chief Ken Wallentine.

Quick action occurred as a result of tips that came to the West Jordan Police Department through the SafeUT app.

“The SafeUT app can play a key role in providing information regarding potential threats and averting potential tragedy,” Wallentine said.

The mobile app, available for free on Apple and Android devices, allows students to submit anonymous tips or connect immediately to a counselor and the University of Utah’s University Neuropsychiatric Institute (UNI).

Wallentine is a member of the commission established by state statute to oversee the operation and development of the SafeUT program.

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