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Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2019 3:52 PM
To: Laura McLaughlin
Subject: FW: Today's media inquiries

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Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 10:24 AM
To: David M Glassman; Jay Gatrell; Laura McLaughlin; Lynette F Drake; Paul A McCann; Judith A Gorrell; Kenneth A Wetstein; Kent D Martin
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A parent located in Chicago called to ask if it was safe for her daughter to attend an 11am in Klehm. I shared that university operations were not being interrupted at this time but that she and her fellow students should be prepared to receive additional messages we might deliver via the EIU Alert system at a later time.

I'm working now on what will be our official statement. Once we get an all clear from Kent and his team, I think we should reconvene briefly to construct a similar but less formal message to be distributed via the EIU Alert system.

Thanks,

JR

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Subject: FW: President's Message DRAFT
Attachments: EIU.docx

Importance: High

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From: Joshua D Reinhart
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 12:50 PM
To: David M Glassman; Jay Gatrell; Laura McLaughlin; Kent D Martin
Subject: President's Message DRAFT
Importance: High

All –

A draft for Dr. Glassman addressing today's situation. I want to put this on the EIU media site and direct media members to it. Pleas apprise of any changes and I'll wait for DG's ok before sharing.

Of note –

I took the line out about contacting EIU PD for more information about the threat or the investigation. I want this message to be the endpoint.
Complicating this matter, of course, is the separate Douglas Hall incident – which is blurring lines a bit for those looking in.

Thanks, here to help ASAP and as needed. Phone calls still coming in, mainly from the DEN.

JR

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From: Joshua D Reinhart
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To: Christy Kilgore
Subject: President's message to campus

To come from President directly to all students/staff/faculty. Attached also.

Subject:
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Subject: FW: EIU

FOIA

From: Joshua D Reinhart
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 3:13 PM
To: Rob Stroud
Subject: RE: EIU

Will get these answered for you asap, thanks Rob –
jr

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FOIA

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Subject: RE: Media Follow Up Inquiries -- Answer Drafts

Thanks laura!

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To: Laura McLaughlin
Subject: FW: Newsletter ID 10755

FOIA

From: Joshua D Reinhart
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 2:36 PM
To: Cindy M Hutchison
Subject: RE: Newsletter ID 10755

Sorry Cindy, I was on vacation from Thursday through Monday, and then today from the jump I've been in on the EIU Alert messaging. Let me jump in there now and try to get some stories approved.
If Jason is concerned please have him reach out to me directly and I'm happy to chat with him.

Thanks,

jr

From: Cindy M Hutchison
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 2:17 PM
To: Joshua D Reinhart
Subject: Newsletter ID 10755

Josh,

Is there a reason why the submission I put on yesterday didn't go through to the Newsletter? ID #10755

Jason Hood asked me to place it there on behalf of the Provost. Did I do something wrong or does it take a couple of days for things to post?

Best,

Cindy

Cindy Hutchison
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To: DENnewsdesk@gmail.com
Subject: JJ Bullock

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To: Jay Gatrell; David M Glassman
Cc: Laura McLaughlin; Lynette F Drake; Kenneth A Wetstein; Kent D Martin; Paul A McCann
Subject: RE: UPDATED PRESIDENT'S DRAFT

Thanks Jay

Top story – I'll remove it tomorrow: https://www.eiu.edu/media/

Since it's already out on that page I'll mirror it in the online newsletter until tomorrow morning also.

jr

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Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 1:22 PM
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Subject: Re: UPDATED PRESIDENT'S DRAFT

Reconvene at 330 in office of prez

-------- Original message --------
From: David M Glassman <dglassman@eiu.edu>
Date: 10/15/19 1:19 PM (GMT-06:00)
To: Joshua D Reinhart <jdreinhart@eiu.edu>
Cc: Jay Gatrell <jgatrell@eiu.edu>, Laura McLaughlin <lmclaughlin@eiu.edu>, Lynette F Drake <ldrake@eiu.edu>, Kenneth A Wetstein <kawetstein@eiu.edu>, Kent D Martin <kdmartin@eiu.edu>, Paul A McCann <pmccann@eiu.edu>
Subject: Re: UPDATED PRESIDENT'S DRAFT

I am comfortable with the message and that it comes from me.

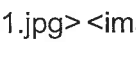
Thanks to all!!

David

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 15, 2019, at 1:09 PM, Joshua D Reinhart <jdreinhart@eiu.edu> wrote:

For group review. I only added the word "also" in the Douglas Hall line.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To: Jonathan P Bullock
Subject: RE: EIU Replies

Noticed an error, see red below. Thanks, jr

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To: Joshua D Reinhart
Subject: Re: EIU Replies

Thank you Josh I appreciate it.

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From: Joshua D Reinhart <jdreinhart@eiu.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 5:02:18 PM
To: Jonathan P Bullock <jpbullock@eiu.edu>
Subject: EIU Replies

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From: Joshua D Reinhart [mailto:jdreinhart@eiu.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 1:43 PM
To: Rob Stroud
Subject: EIU

https://www.eiu.edu/media/viewstory.php?action=1392

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Laura McLaughlin

From: Joshua D Reinhart
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2019 4:03 PM
To: Laura McLaughlin
Subject: FW: Messaging

FOIA

From: Joshua D Reinhart
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 3:25 PM
To: Joshua L Norman
Cc: Kelly P Miller; Brittany M Tierney; Molly M Button; Jay Gatrell
Subject: RE: Messaging

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Reiterate EIU is a safe campus, Charleston is a safe community
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If there are specific questions or concerns or a parent just wants to have a chat, please refer them to me, I've talked to a fair amount of concerned parents today and can do so comfortably.

Thanks Josh. Adding jay as FYI.

jr

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Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 3:13 PM
To: Joshua D Reinhart
Cc: Kelly P Miller; Brittany M Tierney; Molly M Button
Subject: Messaging

Hi Josh,

We have over 90 visitors on campus tomorrow, and an Honors visit day on Saturday, if we get questions about the threat to campus. Is there a specific message to relat?

Thanks,

JOSH NORMAN | Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management
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Subject: FW: Updated Glassman photo
Attachments: Glassman.jpg

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To: Rob Stroud
Subject: Updated Glassman photo

Saw you were using an old photo in https://jg-tc.com/news/local/eastern-illinois-university-campus-alert-lifted-after-threat-deemed-to/article_709c5f56-2c85-5231-9440-d780e7723a4f.html#1, so here's an updated photo of Dr. Glassman for future use. Thanks Rob.

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Subject: RE: Media Follow Up Inquiries -- Answer Drafts

ok

David M. Glassman
President
Eastern Illinois University
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217-581-2011

From: Kent D Martin
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 3:11 PM
To: Laura McLaughlin <lmclaughlin@eiu.edu>; Joshua D Reinhart <jdreinhart@eiu.edu>; David M Glassman <dglassman@eiu.edu>; Jay Gatrell <jgatrell@eiu.edu>; Lynette F Drake <ldrake@eiu.edu>
Subject: RE: Media Follow Up Inquiries -- Answer Drafts

Fine with me

From: Laura McLaughlin <lmclaughlin@eiu.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 3:07 PM
To: Joshua D Reinhart <jdreinhart@eiu.edu>; Kent D Martin <kdmartin@eiu.edu>; David M Glassman <dglassman@eiu.edu>; Jay Gatrell <jgatrell@eiu.edu>; Lynette F Drake <ldrake@eiu.edu>
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Kent needs to tell us if it is okay with him.

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Thanks laura!

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From: David M Glassman
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 10:51 AM
To: Joshua D Reinhart
Cc: Jay Gatrell; Laura McLaughlin; Lynette F Drake; Paul A McCann; Judith A Gorrell; Kenneth A Wetstein; Kent D Martin
Subject: Re: Today's media inquiries

I agree.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 15, 2019, at 10:43 AM, Joshua D Reinhart <jdreinhart@eiu.edu> wrote:

> One more call from WEIU asking about a press conference to address the threat. I shared that my inclination at this time that no press conference would be needed, but certainly that could change. More likely, we will issue an official statement once we have the information we need from the authorities.
>
> A parent located in Chicago called to ask if it was safe for her daughter to attend an 11am in Klehm. I shared that university operations were not being interrupted at this time but that she and her fellow students should be prepared to receive additional messages we might deliver via the EIU Alert system at a later time.
>
> I'm working now on what will be our official statement. Once we get an all clear from Kent and his team, I think we should reconvene briefly to construct a similar but less formal message to be distributed via the EIU Alert system.
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> Thanks,
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> JR
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> **From:** Joshua D Reinhart
> **Sent:** Tuesday, October 15, 2019 10:24 AM
> **To:** David M Glassman; Jay Gatrell; Laura McLaughlin; Lynette F Drake; Paul A McCann; Judith A Gorrell; Kenneth A Wetstein; Kent D Martin
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From: Joshua D Reinhart
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 12:50 PM
To: David M Glassman; Jay Gatrell; Laura McLaughlin; Kent D Martin
Subject: President's Message DRAFT
Attachments: EIU.docx

Importance: High

All –

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From: David M Glassman
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 1:12 PM
To: Jay Gatrell
Cc: Joshua D Reinhart; Laura McLaughlin; Kent D Martin
Subject: Re: President's Message DRAFT

Very good. Thanks!!

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 15, 2019, at 1:03 PM, Jay Gatrell <jgatrell@eiu.edu> wrote:

> We are proofing and adding a reference to the unfounded DOuglass report to clarify
>
> -------- Original message --------
> From: David M Glassman <dglassman@eiu.edu>
> Date: 10/15/19 1:01 PM (GMT-06:00)
> To: Joshua D Reinhart <jdreinhart@eiu.edu>
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Subject: UPDATED PRESIDENT'S DRAFT
Attachments: EIU.docx

Importance: High

For group review. I only added the word "also" in the Douglas Hall line.

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From: Lynette F Drake
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2019 10:33 AM
To: Joshua D Reinhart
Subject: RE: Important Message from EIU President David Glassman

Nothing that I think Kent or the president can't say.
Lynette

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From: Joshua D Reinhart
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2019 10:32 AM
To: Lynette F Drake <ldrake@eiu.edu>
Subject: RE: Important Message from EIU President David Glassman

No, we can handle. If there's a key message you want to get across, just send me that and I'll work it in if I can. Thank you!
jr

From: Lynette F Drake
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2019 10:31 AM
To: Joshua D Reinhart
Subject: RE: Important Message from EIU President David Glassman

Yep.

Since Kent is planning to be there at 11, do you still need me?

Lynette

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Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2019 10:30 AM
To: Lynette F Drake <ldrake@eiu.edu>
Cc: Ryan W Gibson <rwgibson@eiu.edu>
Subject: RE: Important Message from EIU President David Glassman

I had wondered how parents were receiving them. I talked to a handful yesterday. Thanks for the heads up on that.
jr

From: Lynette F Drake
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2019 10:29 AM
To: Joshua D Reinhart
Cc: Ryan W Gibson
Subject: RE: Important Message from EIU President David Glassman

That is correct, however, a student can include the phone number of a parent, in addition to themselves, when they sign up for text alerts.
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An FYI. I'll share with DG this afternoon as well. Thanks! - jr

From: Ryan W Gibson
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2019 8:13 AM

To: Joshua D Reinhart
Subject: Fwd: Important Message from EIU President David Glassman

Hey Josh,

Just for future messaging around this:

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Currently only EIU employees and students can enroll in alerts. They can't go to the site to signup, instead they are prompted monthly via email to signup in they haven't previously enrolled. Not a huge deal at all, but thought we could change that sentence in future communications. Thanks!

Ryan G.

---------- Forwarded message ---------
From: **EIU President David Glassman** <dglassman@eiu.edu>
Date: Tue, Oct 15, 2019 at 1:28 PM
Subject: Important Message from EIU President David Glassman
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From: David M Glassman
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 3:38 PM
To: Kent D Martin; Laura McLaughlin; Joshua D Reinhart; Jay Gatrell; Lynette F Drake
Subject: RE: Media Follow Up Inquiries -- Answer Drafts

ok

David M. Glassman
President
Eastern Illinois University
dglassman@eiu.edu
217-581-2011

From: Kent D Martin
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 3:11 PM
To: Laura McLaughlin <lmclaughlin@eiu.edu>; Joshua D Reinhart <jdreinhart@eiu.edu>; David M Glassman <dglassman@eiu.edu>; Jay Gatrell <jgatrell@eiu.edu>; Lynette F Drake <ldrake@eiu.edu>
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Fine with me

From: Laura McLaughlin <lmclaughlin@eiu.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 3:07 PM
To: Joshua D Reinhart <jdreinhart@eiu.edu>; Kent D Martin <kdmartin@eiu.edu>; David M Glassman <dglassman@eiu.edu>; Jay Gatrell <jgatrell@eiu.edu>; Lynette F Drake <ldrake@eiu.edu>
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Kent needs to tell us if it is okay with him.

Laura L. McLaughlin
General Counsel
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From: Joshua D Reinhart <jdreinhart@eiu.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 2:56 PM
To: Laura McLaughlin <lmclaughlin@eiu.edu>
Subject: RE: Media Follow Up Inquiries -- Answer Drafts

Thanks laura!

From: Laura McLaughlin
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 2:55 PM
To: Joshua D Reinhart; Lynette F Drake; Kent D Martin
Cc: Jay Gatrell; David M Glassman
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For consideration:

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Fair answers, Kent and Lynette? Input appreciated.
These replies should come from me to limit sources.

Thanks in advance for all feedback, jr

From: Rob Stroud [mailto:RStroud@jg-tc.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 2:09 PM
To: Joshua D Reinhart
Subject: RE: EIU

Thanks again for sending me a copy of President Glassman's statement and a link to the EIU medial relations page.
I have a couple of follow up questions for the article.

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Attributable to Josh Reinhart, public information coordinator: "EIU's Alert systems are in place to protect our students and campus communities. Thankfully, today's alerts turned out to be precautionary, but the system's successful use today gives us added confidence moving forward."

Thanks for your time.

Rob Stroud
Journal Gazette/Times-Courier
217-238-6861

From: Joshua D Reinhart [mailto:jdreinhart@eiu.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 1:43 PM
To: Rob Stroud
Subject: EIU

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From: Laura McLaughlin
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 12:58 PM
To: Lynette F Drake
Subject: Fwd: President's Message DRAFT
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From: Joshua D Reinhart <jdreinhart@eiu.edu>
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Laura McLaughlin

From: Everbridge Non Emergency System
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 9:48 AM
To: Lynette F Drake
Subject: Alert EIU - Potential Threat to Campus

This is an important message from Alert EIU:

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Safety precautions may be found on the University Police Department website, (http://www.eiu.edu/~police/). In case of an emergency, dial 911 or 581-3212, or go to the University Police Department headquarters located at the corner of Seventh Street and Grant Ave. Blue emergency phones are available throughout the campus. (http://www.eiu.edu/~police/Welcome_Emergency_Phones.php)

Alert EIU messages are sent for the safety of our students and campus community. As always, if anyone sees suspicious behavior they should immediately call 911. For Crime Prevention Tips visit the University Police Department website at: http://www.eiu.edu/police/Resources_Crime_Prevention.php.

Please do not reply to this email. If you have any questions, please contact 217-581-4357.

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David

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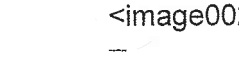 **Josh Reinhart** / Public Information Coordinator
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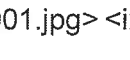
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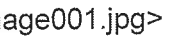
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> We are proofing and adding a reference to the unfounded DOuglass report to clarify
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Fine with me

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Kent needs to tell us if it is okay with him.

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Thanks laura!

From: Laura McLaughlin
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For consideration:

-- Can I get a general description of how law enforcement investigators determined that the threat was not credible? During the investigation, law enforcement was able to clarify statements made to the crisis hotline as well as identify the caller. With this information, law enforcement was able to determine the threat was not credible.

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Fair answers, Kent and Lynette? Input appreciated.
These replies should come from me to limit sources.

Thanks in advance for all feedback, jr

From: Rob Stroud [mailto:RStroud@jg-tc.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 2:09 PM
To: Joshua D Reinhart
Subject: RE: EIU

Thanks again for sending me a copy of President Glassman's statement and a link to the EIU medial relations page.
I have a couple of follow up questions for the article.

-- Can I get a general description of how law enforcement investigators determined that the threat was not credible?
Upon identifying and locating the source of the threat, law enforcement was able to determine at that time the threat was not credible.
-- Also, can I get a statement from EIU about how well the alart system worked today? Did everything work the way it was supposed to with the system?
Attributable to Josh Reinhart, public information coordinator: "EIU's Alert systems are in place to protect our students and campus communities. Thankfully, today's alerts turned out to be precautionary, but the system's successful use today gives us added confidence moving forward."

Thanks for your time.

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From: Joshua D Reinhart [mailto:jdreinhart@eiu.edu]
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To: Rob Stroud
Subject: EIU

https://www.eiu.edu/media/viewstory.php?action=1392

Earlier this morning, Eastern Illinois University received a very general and unspecified threat via a cell phone call to a local crisis hotline. That action initiated an immediate investigation by EIU and local police forces, who worked together to determine the threat's origin and credibility. Following an investigation, law enforcement agencies have determined that this morning's potential threat is no longer a concern.

During this investigation, a subsequent report of a firearm in Douglas Hall was determined to be unfounded by the EIU Police Department.

Nonetheless, because the safety and security of EIU's students, employees, and campus communities are the university's top priorities, an alert message was issued to students, employees, and community members via EIU's Alert system as a precautionary measure, and for the purposes of overall campus safety and general awareness.

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