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Greater Cincinnati schools see rise in violent threats on social media

Just weeks after Georgia's Apalachee High School shooting which claimed the life of two students and two teachers, various schools in Greater Cincinnati have seen a rise in active threats.

As Mount Healthy schools opted to close last week after threats of violence were made towards schools within the district, Summit View Academy in Independence, KY took extra precaution after a fifth grade student made a terroristic threat on social media

"All of this is definitely overwhelming for those of us who have worked with kids of all ages," CEO and owner of Skidaddles Childcare Tiffany Lewis.

With locations in Mason, OH, Florence, KY, and soon to be Batavia, OH, these recent threats are a trend Lewis hopes the area can improve on and get past.

"Attending school shouldn't be a gamble our kids have to take each day," Lewis said. "Whether all the threats were intended or not, social media has had a big impact on the way these things happen more frequently."

While no threats have resulted in acts of violence, Lewis hopes the community can come together to make students more aware of the severity and impact of these threats and how social media can impact their decisions.

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