Members of the Cincinnatus School Community,

It is with deep sorrow that we inform you of a tragic incident involving one of our students this morning at their residence which we learned about through social media. As soon as we were made aware of this situation, law enforcement was notified and dispatched to that residence.

The school’s Crisis Team was immediately activated to provide support for our students and staff. Additionally, counselors from a neighboring school were requested and have come to the school to support our team.

Tomorrow our counselors will be available for our students as well as the Cortland County Post Trauma Response Team. While our primary focus is supporting our staff and students, please know as a community member, if you feel the need to talk to someone about this incident the County team is available by appointment between the hours of 9:00 am and 2:00 p.m. by calling our Counseling Office at 607-863-3200 and ask for that office.

Due to privacy laws, we are not at liberty to share personal information with regard to this incident.

Please spend some time with your child to allow them to process their thoughts and emotions. If you need some talking points, please reach out to one of our counselors at 607-863-3200, option 3. If you need immediate support, you may connect with the Cortland County Mobile Crisis at 315-463-1100 or 607-756-3771. Chenango County Mobile Crisis can be reached at 1-877-369-6699. We are posting additional information to our school website as well.

Support after hours can also be provided by the following school staff:

Christina Hegedus - 607-345-8755
Derek Witty - 607-345-5583
Cathy Aitchison - 607-597-9728
Ashley Bush - 607-745-6569
David Phetteplace - 607-745-4145
Todd Freeman - 607-745-7430

Todd M. Freeman