Schools briefly put in lockout

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The Canandaigua City School District was in a lockout for a portion of Friday morning due to a “serious threat” by one high school student to harm another.

The lockout, during which doors were staffed with personnel watching who entered, started at 9 a.m., Andrew Thomas, community relations coordinator for the school district, said.

Canandaigua City Police picked up the student suspected of making the threat in the community and alerted the school district, he said. The lockout was canceled at 10:25 a.m.

The threat was made by a Canandaigua Academy student, whose name is not being released, toward another high school student and was reported to the principal, he said. Thomas did not reveal the details of the threat.

The high school’s resource officer and staffers searched for the suspect but couldn’t find him, Thomas said. Someone did confirm they saw the student outside the building on an external video, which triggered the lockout, he said.

“We take all threats seriously. This threat rose to the level of a districtwide lockout” as a precautionary measure, Thomas said. Parents were alerted by an automated phone call about the school district’s procedure, which let parents know students were not in danger at any time, Thomas said.

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