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Mayor Jacobs Talks About a Several Issues Including School Threats

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— During his Weekly Update that will post around 10 a.m. today, Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs talks about welcoming the All4Knox meeting; speaking to the Powell High School senior class; participating in National Day of Service on Wednesday by cleaning up Freedmen's Mission Historic Cemetery; and Library Card Sign-Up Month.

However, much of Mayor Jacobs' update focuses on the rash of threats against schools in East Tennessee during the past week or so. Mayor Jacobs notes that Knox County Schools made numerous updates to security and placed armed officers inside the buildings.

"I will also tell you that law enforcement takes these threats very seriously and making a threat against a school is a crime in Tennessee," he says. "It takes a lot of resources to investigate school threats. Meanwhile, parents and loved ones are rightfully, very concerned about the well-being of their students. The safety of our students and school staff is a paramount concern and anyone making threats against our schools will face serious consequences."

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