

For Immediate Release

Statement Regarding Vandalism Incidents at Kirkwood Schools

January 8, 2021

Kirkwood, Missouri: The Kirkwood Police Department is currently investigating incidents of vandalism that occurred on Wednesday January 6th at a few schools in Kirkwood. This incident is being investigated following the same standards that all other crimes in our community are investigated. The investigation is ongoing and being overseen by Chief of Police Brian Murphy.

Upon completion of the investigation, the findings will be referred to a prosecutor who will make an independent charging decision, which may or may not include a hate crime enhancement. The Kirkwood Police Department is committed to investigating this matter as thoroughly and efficiently as possible.

As a community, Kirkwood stands firmly against racially-motivated violence and hate crimes committed because of any person's race, religion, ethnicity, national origin, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation or political affiliation.

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