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# Memo

To: Pastors, Parochial Administrators, Parish Stewards, School Administrators  
From: Glen Faulkner – Parish Security Coordinator  
Date: October 9, 2023  
Re: FBI Bomb threat and SWATting training

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FBI – Boston, and the Massachusetts State Police are offering a one-hour presentation on bomb threats and SWATting hoaxes for first responders and school administrators. “SWATTING” – the act of making a false report of an in-progress emergency to law enforcement with the goal of generating a large police response - has recently become a common tactic used by people trying to disrupt operations at schools and other facilities, including houses of worship.

The training is scheduled to be delivered via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, October 24, 2023, with presentations offered at Noon, 2:00 PM, and 5:00 PM.

Although the course announcement is directed towards public safety and school officials, the material is relevant to any parish operations.

A link to the course description and sign-up information is included below.

[Bomb Threat & Swatting Training Flyer.pdf](#)

The Northern California Regional Intelligence Center has created a one sheet reference guide useful for identifying and responding to possible SWATting calls. The link to this document is included below.

[Swatting Reference Sheet \(04 Oct 2023\).pdf](#)