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A false Amber Alert was forwarded to the public in the form a text message according to the Tuscarawas County Sheriff's Office. The text message implies that a 3 year old girl was taken by a man driving a new silver truck in the Uhrichsville area. This is a FALSE AMBER Alert and was not issued by the Tuscarawas County Sheriff's Office.

The Tuscarawas County Sheriff's Office is the only law enforcement agency in our County that can issue an AMBER Alert for our County. In the event of a true AMBER Alert, the media would receive information directly from our office. This information would also be posted through Nixle, a secure, public information service. Unlike other services, only authorized government agencies can post and send messages through Nixle.

Any County Alerts can be verified through the following links: Sheriff's website at <http://sheriff.co.tuscarawas.oh.us> and the Sheriff's Alert page at <http://local.nixle.com/tuscarawas-county-sheriffs-office/>. AMBER Alerts can be verified through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at <http://www.missingkids.com>.