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Dear Newaygo Parents and Caregivers,

As a school community, I want to update you regarding an employment matter. Over the summer, the district was made aware of an off-campus incident—not involving any NPS students—that led to allegations of misconduct against two Newaygo staff members.

Since that time, we have fully cooperated with the Michigan State Police and have also initiated our own District investigation. Both employees have been placed on paid administrative leave while this process continues. We have high expectations for our staff and take every allegation seriously, even when they do not occur on school grounds or involve students.

If you have specific questions or information related to the incident, please direct them to my office or to the Michigan State Police. Please direct questions related to the classroom or your child's learning to your child's teacher or building principal.

At Newaygo Public Schools, our focus remains steady: helping *every* child succeed. I am grateful for your continued trust and partnership as we move forward together in support of our students and community.

With appreciation,

Ben Gilpin