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School Responds to Filing of Criminal Charges of Former Teacher

Fraser, Mich. – May 14, 2012 - Fraser Public Schools was notified that one of its former teachers, Mr. Greg Austin, was charged today with production, receipt, and possession of child pornography following an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Mr. Austin's employment ended with the District effective March 28, 2012. The District has not been provided with the names of any Fraser students that may have been involved. The District will be providing both academic and counseling support services for any Fraser student found to have been affected. The District cooperated fully with the authorities during their investigation.

Superintendent Dr. David Richards stated, "In unusual cases such as this, our first priority is to follow policies and procedures that ensure the safety and support of our students."

In responding to questions regarding the details of the case, Superintendent Richards noted, "While it is human nature to want to discuss these types of allegations, our policy is clear: We will not to speculate or comment further when a criminal investigation is underway. We are collaborating fully with the authorities and any further speculation would be inappropriate."

District officials emphasized that they were not a law enforcement agency and, as a result, questions regarding the investigation should be directed to the proper authorities. School policy dictates that officials not speculate or comment further when an ongoing investigation is underway.

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