



City Honors School

AT FOSDICK-MASTEN PARK

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Dear CHS Families:

On June 17, 2019, an allegation was reported to an assistant principal regarding technology teacher, Mr. Peter Hingston. The assistant principal immediately brought the matter to my attention. I then called 911 and notified Human Resources as outlined in our District's procedures. The Buffalo Police responded and the District placed the teacher on administrative leave that day. The matter was turned over to the appropriate authorities to conduct an investigation. The Buffalo Public Schools and our administrative team were notified by a representative from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) earlier today that Mr. Hingston was arrested this morning.

In accordance with district procedure, we are not permitted to discuss pending personnel matters during the course of an investigation so as not to interfere with the investigation. Information in these situations is communicated by law enforcement, if and when appropriate. The District and CHS administration are fully cooperating with the authorities during the course of the investigation.

If you believe your child may be a victim, please call the FBI Child Exploitation Task Force at 716.843.1616. The FBI stresses that you will need to leave a voice message that will then receive response from an agent from the Task Force.

Our school district is providing additional counselors for as long as necessary to assist any student in need of support. Other resources include the Child Advocacy Center (886.5437) and Crisis Services Child Advocate Program (834.3131). In the months to come, families may continue to rely on our school counselors as well as our school psychologist (Mrs. Van Remmen) and school social worker (Mrs. Vinkle) for additional emotional support.

We are highly protective of all our students. Their safety and welfare is always our first priority. This development is deeply saddening and concerning to all.

Sincerely,

William A. Kresse, Ph.D.
Principal

