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Dear Faculty, Staff, Parents, Guardians, and Families of the Plymouth Public Schools:

You may have been hearing in the news media and/or on social media of a report regarding some inappropriate pictures being sent via cell phone by a Plymouth North High School student. I am sending this communication to inform you of what facts can be shared at present. This incident was reported to the administration of Plymouth North High School on the morning of Friday, March 20th. At the outset of this particular situation, the North High administration involved the Plymouth Police Department, who then initiated an investigation. I have been kept apprised of the situation from the beginning and have remained in communication with the Police Department as to their proceedings and efforts to discover what is factual and what, if any, laws have been broken. While we await the results of the investigation, we continue to monitor the situation as we need to proceed with careful regard for students that may or may not be associated with the incident.

I can assure you that the School Department will do everything that is necessary to appropriately address any misconduct that may have happened as it applies to school policy. The School Department cannot move forward with any action until we have the facts, and at this point that information is not available.

I have great faith in the Plymouth Police Department to provide accurate information to the administration of Plymouth North High, and once we are certain of what actually happened, we will move forward.

Your patience in this matter is greatly appreciated. We want you to know we are very concerned about social media and its impact on students and their educational opportunities.

In closing, I anticipate that I will be assembling a forum to address the appropriate use of social media in the near future. I urge you to attend to help us better educate our families and our students on the appropriate use of this technology.

Sincerely,

Gary E. Maestas, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools