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Dear Petersburg School District Parents:

I must inform you that serious allegations of possession of inappropriate photographs of children have been made regarding a school district employee. Local and federal law enforcement authorities notified the district of the ongoing investigation on Friday, October 25, 2013.

There is no evidence that any local children were involved. All school facilities were thoroughly inspected by federal and local law enforcement officials on Saturday, October 26, 2013. All restrooms and shower rooms in the district were found to be safe and intact.

As a result of district content filters and constant monitoring of district network traffic we are confident no downloading of photographs or other inappropriate material took place on site, during work hours, or using district computer equipment.

The employee subject to the investigation has resigned from the district in order to deal with these allegations and to allow the district to continue with its primary mission, the education of children, without distraction.

This is a very difficult issue for any school district to address. As we move forward I want to assure you that there is no higher priority than the safety and well being of your children. All of us in Petersburg School District are grateful for your patience and understanding at this difficult time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert Thomason". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dr. Robert Thomason
Superintendent