

Hastings-on-Hudson Public Schools



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Dear Hastings Families and Staff:

I am writing regarding reports that Mr. Michael Rubino, a former teacher of the Hastings-on-Hudson Public Schools, was detained today by law enforcement authorities for alleged inappropriate interaction with a Hastings High School student near the end of the 2023-24 school year. I want to assure all families and staff that the District responded to the alleged incident immediately and has been working with the student and family to be of support.

When the alleged incident was reported, the matter was immediately turned over to the Hastings Police Department and the Westchester County District Attorney's Office. Mr. Rubino was immediately placed on administrative leave pending their investigation. Mr. Rubino's employment with the District ended on June 30, 2024 based on a previously submitted notice of retirement.

I want to repeat that the welfare and safety of our students is our highest priority, and that we acted within minutes of this alleged situation to ensure all students were safe. We are fully cooperating with law enforcement.

I would ask that we respect the privacy of all involved parties. Due to privacy concerns, please understand that the District will not be answering questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Bill

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