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Dear Families,

We believe in providing a safe educational environment for our students and staff and share any concerns around reports of alleged sexual misconduct by staff members. Due to new information, we have reopened an investigation.

I want to take this opportunity to again encourage anyone who may have had similar experiences to report it to a trusted adult or use our online reporting tool, Safe Schools at https://orting-wa.safeschoolsalert.com/, so that we can immediately follow up.

Although we have a legal obligation to protect the identity of those involved and cannot share details about active investigations or personnel actions, I assure you we take every report seriously. Please know the Orting School District staff deeply cares for the well-being of students and always puts their safety first.

This has been a difficult time for our close-knit community and we are committed to healing together so we can best serve our students.

Sincerely,

Marie Dr. Marci Shepard Superintendent