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NEWS RELEASE

The District has completed its review of the investigation report by Kris Cappel, of the Seabold Group, regarding the incident that occurred on a bus on September 6, 2014. In response to the report, the District has taken action to address the conclusion in the report that there was lax and ineffective supervision on the bus. The action taken includes:

1. Updating policies and procedures that will outline specific expectations for student supervision, safety, and personnel responsibility;
2. Providing instruction to personnel, including coaches and administrators, regarding the District's expectations for student supervision, safety, and personnel responsibility and accountability.
3. Requiring personnel to engage in student supervision and safety training.

The action taken by the District provides personnel with the tools to improve student supervision and safety issues within the District. Moreover, it holds those individuals that were directly or indirectly responsible for the lax and ineffective supervision accountable.

The District acknowledges that effective student supervision and safety is a day-in, day-out commitment that infuses every aspect of school life. A critical step forward in the District's proactive approach to improve student supervision and safety is the District's commitment to strengthen its risk management plan. With the improvements to the District's risk management plan we intend to be a leader in the community in promoting supportive learning environments that protect the safety of students.

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