

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4**  
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**PARENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF OF THE CHESTER, DEEP RIVER, ESSEX AND  
REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4 BOARDS OF EDUCATION**

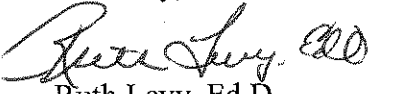
Dear Parents, Faculty and Staff:

This morning, I was contacted by a Detective of the Connecticut State Police regarding the potential criminal conduct of a school teacher currently employed at Valley Regional High School. Please be assured, based on the information I have received to date, there is no reason to believe at this time that any inappropriate or criminal conduct has occurred with any student in our school system. Regardless, the teacher in question was placed on immediate administrative leave from his teaching duties, pending a thorough investigation by school officials. Additionally, the District fully intends to cooperate with law enforcement officials. This unfortunate turn of events shall receive my utmost attention.

While I very much regret having to write this letter, I feel it is important to give you certain facts concerning this most unfortunate situation. As you know, our school system places the highest priority on the health, safety, and welfare of our students, faculty, and staff.

Please direct all questions or concerns you may have regarding this letter to my attention.

Sincerely,

  
Ruth Levy, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools