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Dear EP Schools Parent/Guardian,

As you may have seen in recent news reports, photos were presented to the administration of some of our high school students in possession of, or consuming, illegal substances. Anytime we receive information that suggests a violation of school rules we investigate and take appropriate action based on the result of that investigation.

This morning, we concluded our investigation of those photos and would like to update you on the results of that work since there is so much misinformation out there regarding this issue.

In all, 42 students were interviewed, and 13 received consequences of some kind.

Administrators did not go looking for these photos on social networking sites although our interviews with students suggest that the pictures may be posted on such sites. We do, however, take action when we are given legitimate information about school or Minnesota State High School League violations.

We are not legally at liberty to discuss further details of this investigation. We do, however, want all of our families to know that we care deeply about the safety and well-being of our students; therefore, we take the illegal possession and consumption of substances by minors very seriously. Please also know that we will continue to promptly investigate any alleged violations of school rules as needed in the future.

If you have any questions, in regards to this matter, please feel free to contact our communications department at [communications@edenpr.org](mailto:communications@edenpr.org) or 952-975-7150.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent