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Mr. Randy Kaczor, Principal

Mr. Eric Dickinson, Assistant Principal

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I'm writing to clarify a brief report that appeared in the Federal Way Mirror's Saturday edition, under the crime log. It stated that at 7:15 a.m., February 29, a student reported being sexually assaulted at Sacajawea. A parent contacted our office yesterday to ask why a letter had not been sent home regarding the incident.

Unfortunately, the crime log report failed to report several important details and, as a result, was misleading. Due to the understandable concern on the part of parents who have seen the Mirror report, we think it's important to give you more information.

The incident occurred after school on February 28th at approximately 4:00 p.m. at a city park next to Sacajawea's campus, and was reported to our office the next day on February 29. According to the student who filed the report, he had remained on campus to attend an after-school activity. At the completion of the activity, he walked out to meet his father in the parking lot. His father was involved in a cell phone conversation as he waited in the car so the student told him he was going back to the courtyard area to talk to some other students there. He has now said that he instead went to the park next to the campus.

While at the park, he was wrestled to the ground by a former Sacajawea student and grabbed in the groin area. He then left the park and returned to where his father was waiting on the Sacajawea campus.

When the victim returned to Sacajawea the following morning, February 29th, he reported the incident to Mr. Dickinson, Sacajawea's vice principal, who called the police. Mr. Dickinson also called the school where the alleged perpetrator was enrolled. The alleged perpetrator has been emergency expelled from that school. The alleged victim initially indicated to police that the incident had occurred at Sacajawea, which led to the Mirror report.

If you have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call our office at 253-945-4900.

Sincerely,

Randy Kaczor, Principal