



Dear families of our Holy Apostles Community,

The administrative team at Holy Apostles has been notified by the Milwaukee Police Department of an issue involving a teacher at Holy Apostles School. Mr. Kevin Buelow was arrested August 21, and has been charged this morning with first degree sexual assault of a child. Our understanding is that the allegation dates back before Mr. Buelow was employed by Holy Apostles School; and to our knowledge, does not involve faculty, staff or students at Holy Apostles. At this time, specific details have not been shared with us.

Mr. Buelow has been placed on administrative leave. Holy Apostles Parish and School is fully cooperating with the police investigation. If anyone has information concerning Mr. Buelow, they should contact the New Berlin Police Department at (262) 782-6640.

Holy Apostles School's top priority is to ensure the best learning environment and quality of service for our students. All of the proper procedures upon hiring staff were taken in this instance, including safe environment training, mandatory reporting responsibilities, review and signature of our code of conduct, and a criminal background check. Unfortunately, background checks cannot always predict if an employee will someday fail to meet our moral and ethical expectations.

We take seriously any and all allegations that could compromise the welfare or safety of our students. Please keep in mind that personnel matters are handled with careful consideration for all involved.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we share information with you as it becomes available. Although we don't have all the details, we wanted to share with you what we do know as soon as possible, and will continue to update you as we are able.

In the spirit of our Holy Apostles faith community, please keep all involved in your prayers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Fr. Don Thimm".

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kristin Lee".

Mrs. Kristin Lee