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Dear Mervo community,

We are writing today to share an update about a situation involving a staff member at our school.

On Monday, Baltimore County Police announced the arrest of a teacher charged with rape and sexual assault. Based on published reports, the arrest is related to a case involving a minor in Baltimore County. The teacher is in police custody as of yesterday.

I can assure you that our Mervo team and City Schools take this matter seriously. City Schools' Human Capital Office is aware of the arrest and will take appropriate action.

We urge anyone with concerns or information to do the following:

- Call the police.
- Contact me or the school leadership via phone, email, or a visit to the school.
- You may report allegations of student harassment or misconduct with City Schools anonymously using the online bullying/harassment/discrimination reporting form. Visit [baltimorecityschools.org/page/addressing-bullying-harassment-and-sex-based-discrimination](https://secure.ethicspoint.com/domain/media/en/gui/81797/index.html).
- You may report allegations of student harassment by a staff member by calling 1-800-679-0185 or via our online form at <https://secure.ethicspoint.com/domain/media/en/gui/81797/index.html>

In addition, you can learn more about City Schools' response to sexual misconduct – including community-based resources – at [baltimorecityschools.org/page/addressing-bullying-harassment-and-sex-based-discrimination](https://secure.ethicspoint.com/domain/media/en/gui/81797/index.html).

The safety of all students and staff is vital to ensuring Mervo remains a great learning environment. We will provide additional information as appropriate. As always, we urge anyone with information about misconduct to contact the school office at 410-396-6496. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jermaine Skinner
Principal
Mergenthaler Vocational-Technical High School