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Yesterday, I was saddened to learn that two elected members of the Clark County Board of Education were arrested for allegedly misappropriating funds from a local youth soccer league. The allegations are not in any way related to the Clark County Public School District or their service as members of the Clark County Board of Education. Further, the other three elected CCPS board members are in no way involved or implicated in these allegations. Board of Education members do not have direct access to public school funds, and there are no allegations pertaining to the Clark County School District.

I have been asked whether these individuals will be asked to step down from the Board of Education. Because they are elected officials, the School District and the other Board members have no authority to remove them. The process to remove an elected Kentucky school board member requires involvement of the Kentucky Attorney General. Where there are criminal charges against a board member, the board member is subject to removal once convicted of a felony.

We are proud of the continued progress in Clark County Public Schools. We have gained national attention for our universal preschool program and emphasis on early childhood education. Over the past school year, we have celebrated significant improvements in test scores, higher employee retention, and state championship wins in both girls and boys basketball.

Although I am disheartened by this recent news, we are determined to continue our unwavering focus on growing greatness in our students, staff, and community.

Sincerely,

Dustin Howard, Ed.S.
Superintendent
Clark County Public Schools