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Dear Parents of Turlock Christian School JH/SH Students

It is with great disappointment that I share what some of you already know: Two former teachers of Turlock Christian Schools, Mr. and Mrs. Northcutt, were both arrested recently by the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department, and charged with violation of California Penal Code Sections 647.6(a) and 288.2. In essence, they were arrested and charged for sending illicit text messages to a TCHS student. This occurred after the conclusion of the school-year.

Mrs. Northcutt had previously notified the administration that she would not be returning for 2008-09. Nevertheless, Turlock Christian Schools has cooperated fully with the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Northcutt have been informed that they are not to contact Turlock Christian School parents or students in person or by phone or email, and are not allowed on the school campus.

The identity of the victim in cases such as this is strictly confidential. We have very little information regarding these charges but we believe, based upon all available information, that the charges, while serious, involve text messaging only, and no other criminal acts.

This situation grieves me, as I'm sure it does you. To our school community, we ask that everyone pray for all those involved or affected. We also ask that you please not participate in any gossip that would bring dishonor to Christ, harm our community of faith or distract the school from its primary ministry of educating our children in the wisdom and instruction of the Lord. Instead, if you have any concerns or questions, please direct them to John Nelson, Kyle Fast, Kendall Hanson or me.

Sincerely,

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