

*[Sent to accounts affiliated with Bloomington High School North via ParentSquare (no public link) on June 24, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.]*

Dear Bloomington High School North Community,

Now that law enforcement has concluded its investigation, we can make you aware of an alleged incident that occurred last summer regarding a former MCCSC employee.

On the evening of June 18, 2024, the MCCSC received a report from the guardian of a now-graduated Bloomington High School North student alleging sexual assault of the student by a then-Bloomington High School North School Resource Officer (SRO). The incident is alleged to have occurred on June 4, 2024, outside of school programs while the SRO was off duty during a non-school outing that occurred on Cataract Lake in Owen County.

The MCCSC immediately contacted the Indiana Department of Child Services on June 18, 2024, placed the SRO on administrative leave, and commenced its investigation. The SRO resigned the next day. The MCCSC fully cooperated with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources in its investigation of the incident that has resulted in criminal charges being filed against the former SRO on June 24, 2025.

Following a full criminal background check as part of the MCCSC's customary hiring practices, the SRO joined Bloomington High School North in July 2023. The SRO was respected by multiple law enforcement agencies and had 20 consecutive years of service locally at the Monroe County Sheriff's Office and Owen County Sheriff's Office.

The safety and security of our students is the highest priority to the MCCSC. We will continue to work cooperatively with our law enforcement partners and the prosecutor's office in this matter.

The MCCSC takes all reports regarding the safety of our students seriously. Teachers, parents, and students should reach out to their school with any concerns regarding student safety.