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To all the members of our school community:

The Black Horse Pike Regional School District has recently been made aware of a potentially inappropriate social media/texting communication sent from a Timber Creek teacher to recent Timber Creek graduates. We immediately contacted the Gloucester Township Police Chief and the Division of Child Protection & Permanency to report the information presented to us. The Gloucester Township Police investigated the issue and have collaborated with school district officials and the parents of the students. Upon being notified of the harassment charge by the Gloucester Township Police, we took immediate steps to suspend the employee involved. Furthermore, we directed the employee not to have any further contact with students and staff, and to stay off of all school grounds.

We take an aggressive stance against any employee who makes inappropriate contact with a student and this action has resulted as part of those efforts. As educators and community members nothing is more important to us than the safety and well-being of our students. We will continue to pro-actively work to educate our staff and students about appropriate behaviors relative to social media contact and interactions with students.

Sincerely,

Brian Repici, Ed.D. Superintendent

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