



Santa Monica Malibu Schools

Extraordinary Public Education

December 4, 2008

Dear Mrs. _____

On October 20, 2008, you submitted a written complaint regarding alleged activities by an SMMUSD employee, Mr. Ari Marken, towards your daughter. Abiding by SMMUSD Board Policy 5145.7 on Sexual Harassment, the District hired an independent investigator to examine this complaint. The District found that Mr. Marken did violate Board Policy 5145.7 and has taken appropriate action.

The Santa Monica Malibu Unified School District is committed to the safety of all of our students. I thank you for bringing your complaint forward, and I expect that your daughter will not experience any future problems. If there are any such problems in the future, please do not hesitate to call Mr. Larry Boone, House Principal, Dr. Hugo Pedroza, Principal, or me.

Thank you again, and best wishes for an outstanding school year for your daughter.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Matthews, Ed.D.
Assistant Superintendent

CC: Dr. Hugo Pedroza, Principal, Santa Monica High School