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Deasy Reacts to Arrest of Second Miramonte E.S. Teacher on Charges of Sexual Misconduct

Los Angeles Unified School District Superintendent John Deasy said today that he was “appalled and sickened” at news of the arrest by the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department of a second teacher today on suspicion of sexual misconduct at Miramonte Elementary School.

“As an educator and a father, I’m appalled and sickened by the allegations against this teacher,” said the Superintendent. “The District is working closely with the entire Miramonte community to deal with the terrible trauma that has arisen as the result of the arrest of Mark Berndt earlier this week and today’s arrest of Martin Springer.”

Deasy noted that the District removed Springer from the Miramonte campus yesterday when he first learned of the allegations. He said he will ask the Board of Education early next week to immediately terminate Springer’s employment.

“Though this has been an extremely difficult week for the entire LAUSD community,” said Deasy, “we must **never** lose sight of the fact that the great majority of the teachers in this District are caring, nurturing, and understanding toward their students.”

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