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MEDIA RELEASE STATEMENT

Statement Regarding Arrest of Christopher Litchfield

September 10, 2019

We are deeply distressed to learn of the arrest of Adams Central employee Christopher Litchfield on multiple counts of sexual misconduct.

On August 19, the school became aware for the first time of allegations concerning Mr. Litchfield. A member of the staff immediately informed district administration of the allegations and police were called immediately. Mr. Litchfield was suspended immediately pending an investigation. He was terminated today after we were informed of the charges filed against him.

Mr. Litchfield was employed from May of 2016 to September of 2019. He was an assistant football coach for Adams Central Middle School and also served as a substitute teacher at various levels. He was also occasionally on our campus as a volunteer for a religious organization. When hired, Mr. Litchfield, like every employee, was required to pass an extended background check, which he did. Mr. Litchfield's file does not contain any reprimands.

Our first priority at Adams Central Community Schools is to educate children in a safe environment. We feel our systems to prevent the hiring of anyone who might put students in danger are very strong.

At times like this, we are often asked to share more information. Due to data privacy laws that are in place to protect students and staff, we are unable to share more information. We ask that you respect the privacy of our students and families. Thank you.

Mr. Joel D. Mahaffey

Superintendent

