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For Immediate Release:

From: Robert A. Martinez, Chief Human Officer, Antioch Unified School District

We wish to provide an update with regard to recent developments within the Antioch school district that have garnered public attention.

To ensure transparency and accountability within our district, two separate investigations have been initiated to look into concerns raised publicly by an individual board member. The first investigation will review the overall situation, providing a comprehensive understanding of the circumstances involved. The second investigation will specifically address the two recent complaints that have been filed against an employee within the district.

Furthermore, in the interest of maintaining the integrity of the investigative process and obviate any concerns, Superintendent Anello has voluntarily removed herself from direct involvement. Moving forward, I will be assuming responsibility for overseeing the investigations and working with the Board of Education regarding this situation.

Upon completion, the Board of Education will receive the results of the investigations and will address any issues that may arise with the utmost diligence and transparency. It is important to understand that individual board members do not have the authority to take action and provide direction, board authority rests with the majority of the body. To this point, decisions regarding the District, including decisions about leadership, must be made collectively by the Board as a whole.

While this situation is understandably causing concern and questions, I am confident that the remarkable education professionals in our schools and across our organization will continue to keep the wellbeing and success of our students as a top priority.