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CNUSD Media Statement

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The Corona-Norco Unified School District shares in the community's disappointment and hurt over the actions of former Assistant Superintendent of Facilities, Ted Rozzi. Today, the Riverside County District Attorney's Office announced that Rozzi has been charged in a scheme in which he embezzled more than \$1 million of public funds from the school district. Upon discovering information of Rozzi's misconduct, two district employees reported it to law enforcement. As a result, the District immediately placed Rozzi on administrative leave on August 11, 2017, and fully cooperated with the Riverside County Sheriff's Department in its investigation. On August 14, 2017, Rozzi resigned from the District.

In order to not compromise the on-going investigation by the Riverside County District Attorney's Office, the school district was unable to share any related information with our community sooner; however, now the investigation is completed, we can inform the community of the actions our District has taken since discovering this criminal activity.

The school district has cooperated fully with authorities in providing any available records related to the investigation. It has since been revealed Rozzi worked in a deliberate and deceitful manner to avoid detection.

We took swift action by restructuring departments to add new layers of accountability. We are committed to ongoing auditing of our practices and procedures. Additionally, we will continue to work closely with the Riverside County District Attorney's Office as this matter now moves to the courts.

This news is upsetting and disappointing to us all. Please know we are committed to maintaining the longstanding trust the Corona-Norco Unified School District has built with our community over the years. The school district will do everything legally possible to recoup any financial losses we have suffered.

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ABOUT CORONA-NORCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Corona-Norco Unified School District is located approximately 45 miles southeast of Los Angeles in western Riverside County. CNUSD consists of thirty-one elementary schools, eight intermediate/middle schools, five comprehensive high schools, a middle college high school and three alternative schools. The district serves over 53,000 students in the diverse communities of Corona, Norco, and Eastvale. CNUSD is the largest school district in Riverside County and the tenth largest district in California.