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Dear DCS Parents and Community,

In 2014, we began the investigation into embezzlement of district technology by our now former technology manager. After a long and taxing legal process, Brian Tungl was sentenced today by Judge Swartz to 6 months of jail time, community service, probation and restitution.

Board President, Michael Wendorf, spoke at today's sentencing hearing on behalf of the school district, our students, our parents, our employees and the entire Dexter Community. As a district, we also provided significant documentation and impact statements to help the Judge understand the gravity of these crimes. In total, we've submitted for at least \$429,159 in restitution. While the actual losses to our district are much greater, we are hopeful to replace the stolen items through a combination of employee dishonesty insurance and paid restitution over time.

Sadly, at no time has Mr. Tungl shared any remorse or made any statement showing empathy for those he impacted with his crimes.

On a personal note, I feel terrible for the students of Dexter. Mr. Tungl stole from our students and our community. I also feel terrible for this man's family who is now without their father while he sits and contemplates his crimes from a jail cell.

As a district, we've put additional safeguards in place and will continue to be good stewards our taxpayer dollars. In this specific case, an integral employee in our processes violated the trust of an entire community and manipulated the system in an attempt to cover his crimes. In the end, even those attempts were not enough to hide the crimes and we turned to our judicial system to serve on behalf of the Dexter Community. We are now stronger, as a district, as a result of this man's crimes and can continue to focus our energies on educating our students.

Thank you for your continued support and Go Dreadnaughts!

Sincerely,

Christopher Timmis, Ed.D.
Superintendent