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In June the Lake Bluff Police Department was informed of social media postings that included several allegations of inappropriate, illegal sexual conduct by a teacher who worked in the Lake Bluff school district in the 1970s and 1980s.

The Lake Bluff Police Department immediately launched an investigation into the matter.

Investigators have reached out to and interviewed possible victims and individuals who were part of the social media exchanges. We have notified and are coordinating efforts with the Lake County State's Attorney's Office, the Lake County Children's Advocacy Center and the Illinois Department of Children & Family Services. Investigators have also sought and received information from the Lake Bluff School District that has proven helpful.

The teacher in question has not worked in the Lake Bluff school system since the mid-1980s and is currently living out of state.

Because of the amount of time that has passed between the alleged incidents and this information being made available to us, this investigation presents several challenges related to fact-finding and potential criminal charges. The passage of time, however, does not lessen our resolve to gather all the facts, talk to all of those who may have information about the allegations, and determine appropriate next steps.

We encourage anyone who may have information related to this investigation to contact Lake Bluff Police Department at (847) 234-8760.

Given very sensitive nature of this ongoing investigation and out of deference to those making these very serious allegations, the Lake Bluff Police Department is going to decline further comment at this time.