

## FROM THE OFFICE OF THE

## Head of School

September 8, 2021

Dear Avon Old Farms Community,

After a wonderful day on campus welcoming our new parents and students, I was notified by the Avon Police Department that a former student at AOF was arrested last evening on charges of third-degree possession of child pornography and voyeurism. This former student left campus last year and is no longer affiliated with the school. Although we are not able to share detailed information about his departure from AOF, we feel it is important to share this information with our community.

To the best of our knowledge, this former student was acting alone, and no other AOF boys participated in this alleged illegal activity. The police investigation revealed that the child pornography charge was a result of online activity and did not include any members of our community. We understand that the voyeurism charges may have involved students. The Avon Police Department confirmed that the quality of the images is such that they do not identify any recognizable individual.

We plan to address this incident in a general way with our on-campus community today. We are firmly committed to building good men of strong moral character, and AOF's standards of conduct will always emphasize integrity and honesty.

I apologize for the unfortunate timing as we kick off the 2021–22 school year. We are excited to have our remaining students return to campus this afternoon and get the fall semester underway. Thank you for your continued support of our school. As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Jim Detora P'12 Head of School