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On Friday, March 4, 2022 a lunchtime fight between two students occurred in the cafeteria at Lincoln Middle School. Kenosha Unified School District (K.U.S.D.) employees who were monitoring the cafeteria intervened to try and stop the physical fight. One staff member was injured during the incident.

One of the employees involved was a Kenosha Police Department (K.P.D.) officer who was working off duty for K.U.S.D. This off-duty employment is permitted by K.P.D. The officer is a 37-year-old male with four years of service at K.P.D.

K.P.D. has watched the video clip and has seen the photo which has been widely shared on social media over the weekend. We are keenly aware of the significant sensitivity surrounding the photo. K.P.D., together with K.U.S.D. is investigating the incident in its entirety while being cautious not to make conclusions based off of a small piece of information shared on social media. Both agencies will look to our respective policies and procedures for guidance in this circumstance.

It is the highest priority of those officers who work in our schools to provide a safe and secure learning environment for our children and staff.

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