

Dear Members of the Interlochen Community,

As we begin the new year, we are writing to share an update on the external [investigation](#) into historical abuse currently underway, as well as some related matters.

As a reminder, Interlochen commissioned an external investigation led by the Sanghavi Law Office to review historical reports of faculty or staff sexual misconduct with students at the Academy. A focused investigation began in September 2024 and was widened and made public in June 2025. To date, approximately 90 alumni across the decades have come forward to share their experiences or observations as part of the investigation. We are deeply appreciative of the trust our alumni have placed in this process and are committed to sharing the information and lessons learned at the conclusion of the investigation in a way that safeguards privacy while honoring our commitment to candor. The investigation remains active, and anyone with relevant information is encouraged to contact Elizabeth Sanghavi directly at 617.505.3010 or elizabeth@sanghavilawoffice.com. We remain committed to completing the investigation as soon as possible, while still ensuring that the review is comprehensive, thorough, and inclusive of alumni experiences.

We also want to acknowledge recent media accounts related to Jeffrey Epstein's connection to Interlochen following the December release of federal investigative records. Although the media attention was renewed, the records do not include any new information about Interlochen not previously disclosed to our community. As we have shared [previously](#), Epstein attended Interlochen in the summer of 1967 and was a donor from 1990 to 2003. When Interlochen administrators learned of his initial conviction in 2008, all donor recognition in his name was removed from campus, and an internal review was conducted, which found no record of complaint or concern involving Epstein. Following his second arrest in 2019, we again reviewed our records and found no reports or complaints involving him. In keeping with our commitment to candor and child welfare, we have issued prior public statements, cooperated with inquiries, and continue to encourage anyone who may have been impacted by sexual abuse—by Epstein or any member of the Interlochen community—to come forward and seek support.

Finally, we are aware that a former employee has shared their concerns about student safety at Interlochen in social media reels and has solicited and shared accounts from students and alumni. While we disagree with many of the former employee's assertions and inferences, our priority is student safety, and we have contacted the former employee to strongly encourage them to share any information directly with the independent investigators and/or external authorities. Our priority remains uncovering the truth and ensuring that all relevant information is evaluated appropriately, responsibly, and in a manner that protects our students and alumni.

The well-being of our students will always be our highest priority. We remain committed to learning from the past, listening with compassion, and building a culture grounded in trust, accountability, and care.

Thank you for your continued engagement and support as this important work continues.

Sincerely,

Trey Devey, Interlochen President

Barrett Rollins, Chair of the Board