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ELIZABETH SCHOOLS SELF-REPORT POSSIBLE RESIDENCY VIOLATION TO STATE ATHLETIC REGULATORS

The Elizabeth School District today self-reported a possible violation of state athletic regulations related to residency and recruitment.

The district notified the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association of the possible violation involving one player on the high school football team.

"We teach our children to follow the rules," said District Superintendent Dr. Olga Hugelmeyer.

"We expect nothing less from our staff and demand that athletic programs follow the rules.

"We are proud of our student-athletes who worked so hard in their first games. This was an adult failure, not theirs."

The incident involved a single player whom a parent registered with the school district and claimed to live in Elizabeth. An investigation showed the student lives out of the district.

Saturday's game against Westfield will be coached by Austin Holman. Coach Holman has been a physical education teacher at Elizabeth High School for more than a decade and has extensive experience coaching track and field and football. He is a graduate of Bowling Green State University.

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