



## Office of the President

A Message from

**President Adela de la Torre, Ph.D.**

Dear SDSU Community,

The university received confirmation today that a civil lawsuit has been filed against three individuals connected to our football program. While the university is not named in this suit, it is important that we share an update about what we know and what actions we are taking.

First, this matter involves a pending criminal case currently under review by the Office of the District Attorney. While no suspects have been announced and no charges have been filed through that process to date, we will share an update with our campus community should that change. This matter also involves an active university investigation. Given this, as well as laws governing privacy, the university is not able to provide specific details.

Importantly, SDSU's independent investigative process is proceeding under California State University [systemwide policy](#). If any student is found to be in violation of our student code of conduct after our thorough investigation, disciplinary action can include suspension, dismissal or expulsion.

We reaffirm that the university takes allegations of sexual assault seriously, and many on this campus have dedicated years to education, training, policy creation and other actions to avoid anyone experiencing what is alleged to have occurred. Never would we allow anyone in this institution to be protected against being held accountable for their actions.

As shared before, if you know or become aware of someone being sexually assaulted, we urge you to report it. SDSU offers a range of [reporting tools](#) to share information about sexual assault and sexual violence, and we offer direct support and assistance to individuals who may have been harmed.

Lastly, we understand there are many questions we will not be able to share in a more public way given our investigative process. As we are able to do so, we will continue to update our [public-facing site](#).

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