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Concern Regarding Softball Locker Room Access

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Thank you for looking into this and for the update.

I want to clarify that I was not suggesting anything inappropriate occurred. My concern is that having an adult male coach enter a locker room with underage girls present can easily create a situation that could be perceived as inappropriate.

What also concerned me was the inconsistency in how this was initially described. Anna's account was that the coach knocked and asked to come in while the girls were already in the locker room. When the situation was first discussed with the athletic director, the explanation was that he had led the girls into the locker room. Those are two different descriptions of what occurred.

More broadly, this reflects a pattern we have experienced where difficult interactions involving the team are consistently framed in a way where the coach has done nothing wrong. That makes it difficult to address concerns when the initial description of events does not align with what players experienced.

For additional context, this is Anna's third year with the program, and as far as I am aware none of the coaches in prior seasons needed to enter the girls' locker room in similar situations.

I appreciate you taking the time to review the situation.

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