

1 Chayce, you heard all these rumors going around, the only
2 three people you talked to were those three?

3 A. Yes, sir. At that point, I handed it over to my
4 assistant principal because it was out of my hands at
5 that point.

6 Q. You would agree that it might be important to
7 talk to those other people?

8 A. Oh, yes, sir.

9 Q. Why did you -- Whose idea was it to come up with
10 the idea of having them write down what they were saying?
11 Was that their idea or your idea?

12 A. No, I think it was mine.

13 Q. Your idea?

14 A. Yes, sir.

15 Q. And is that because you wanted to document what
16 these kids were saying, or why?

17 A. I guess so. I guess it was for documentation
18 purposes. I didn't keep copies of it, though, and I
19 should've.

20 Q. But you thought -- Even without being a trained
21 investigator, you thought that it was important to have
22 these boys write down what they were saying to you?

23 A. A lot of times kids are more comfortable
24 discussing things with me first writing them down instead
25 of talking to me.

1 Q. Is that a "yes"?

2 A. Yes, sir.

3 Q. I believe you testified on Direct that Matt has
4 really changed a lot?

5 A. To me, he seems like he's changed some, yes,
6 sir.

7 Q. He became withdrawn or quiet and reserved?

8 A. Around me he has.

9 Q. Around you. You're not telling this jury what
10 his demeanor was like when he wasn't around you, are you?

11 A. No, sir, I don't know what he was like when he
12 wasn't around me.

13 Q. Would you agree that high school students'
14 behavior changes as they progress through high school?

15 A. Oh, yes, sir.

16 Q. So it's natural and normal for children's
17 behavior to change?

18 A. Yes, sir.

19 Q. Some students may start off high school being
20 good students and end up being bad students by the time
21 they graduate?

22 A. Yes, sir.

23 Q. And vice versa?

24 A. Yes, sir.

25 Q. Some kids start off doing the good things, the

1 right thing, and they end up doing bad things?

2 A. Yes, sir.

3 Q. And vice versa?

4 A. Yes, sir.

5 Q. And that's just kind of the process of growing
6 up, right?

7 A. Yes, sir.

8 Q. You don't know what all was going on in Matt's
9 life, do you?

10 A. Not necessarily, no. Not really.

11 Q. You don't know if he was upset about college or
12 girl friends?

13 A. No, sir.

14 Q. Or grades?

15 A. No, sir.

16 Q. So you're not telling this jury that whatever
17 change in demeanor you saw in Matt is attributable to the
18 allegations that he made?

19 A. I can't say that, no, sir.

20 Q. Are you aware of a poem that Matt wrote?

21 A. Yes, sir.

22 Q. Who did he write that to?

23 A. It was an assignment in my husband's English
24 class.

25 Q. What was that poem about?

1 MS. LAMB: Your Honor, I'm going to object
2 to hearsay.

3 THE COURT: Sustained.

4 Q. (By Mr. Beasley) There was a poem that Matt
5 wrote, correct?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. In response to your husband Coach Warren's
8 classroom assignment?

9 A. Yes, sir, for the Canterbury Tales.

10 Q. Did your husband allow that report -- that poem
11 to be read?

12 A. He realized about halfway --

13 MS. LAMB: Judge, I'm sorry to stop her. I
14 would ask that she'd only answer as to any personal
15 knowledge she had of what actually occurred in that
16 classroom and not what she was told by her husband.

17 A. I was not in the classroom.

18 Q. (By Mr. Beasley) But your husband, Coach Warren,
19 was?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And he could tell us about what the contents of
22 that poem was, could he not?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And it had to do with Mrs. Ogletree?

25 MS. LAMB: Judge, again, he's trying to go

1 around the tree the same way.

2 THE COURT: Sustained.

3 Q. (By Mr. Beasley) Are you familiar with a
4 newspaper by the name of Tiger Talk?

5 A. Yes, sir.

6 Q. What is it?

7 A. Kids put it out usually around every six weeks,
8 I believe.

9 Q. What's that?

10 A. I believe our students put that newspaper out
11 every six weeks or so at the high school.

12 Q. It is a newspaper?

13 A. School newspaper, yes, sir.

14 Q. And in this school newspaper students are given
15 an opportunity to kind of summarize their senior year or
16 high school experience, seniors are?

17 A. In the last issue I believe so.

18 Q. Are you familiar with the last issue?

19 A. Yes, sir.

20 Q. Is this it? You want me to come closer?

21 MR. BEASLEY: May I approach, Your Honor?

22 THE COURT: You may.

23 A. Yes, sir, that's the last one. I noticed it
24 because there's a word misspelled.

25 Q. (By Mr. Beasley) Baseball team snatched the