

Evesham Township School District

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Dear Evesham Families,

The Evesham Township School District has always focused on the health, safety and welfare of our students, staff and community. As a school community, we are deeply saddened by the death of Mr. Floyd in Minneapolis and the subsequent violence and unrest. This is a traumatic time in our country invoking a range of emotions. There are many challenges that lay ahead as we try as individuals, parents, teachers, and a nation to look for solutions to create a safer culture for all people.

The primary mission of the Evesham Township School District is to provide a strong educational foundation that will empower our students to:

- Achieve their unique potential
- Embrace self-directed, life-long learning
- Develop the skills necessary for appropriate risk-taking and responsible decision-making
- Respect themselves and others
- Problem-solve individually and collaboratively
- Become contributing members of a diverse, global society

To this end, as a school community we must revisit and renew our efforts to address these issues and take action to be the best we can be as role models instilling in our students these principles. We are called to duty as educators, parents, and guardians to stand together, to see each other, and to move forward with intention.

Education is the platform to discuss positive ways to bring about change peacefully and make a difference in our community, state and nation. The district will continue to foster our non-negotiable core belief of inclusion and diversity through the lens of its academic and social emotional programs. Schools will continue to create and provide opportunities for our students to be heard.

Should you or your child have any questions, need assistance, or someone to talk to, please do not hesitate to reach out to our principals and/or school counselors for supports and resources. We are always ready to assist you, when needed. For more information, visit our district website @www.evesham.k12.nj.us, under the parent tab, welcome menu, for Resources for Families on Equity, Race, and Social Justice.

Sincerely,

Dr. Blachford Superintendent of Schools