



# DANIEL BOONE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Hello, Blazer Learning Community:

This correspondence is to share with our *Blazer Learning Community* the District's awareness of a social media post involving two Daniel Boone Area School District (DBASD) students early last evening, Tuesday, June 2, 2020.

Please know that the DBASD does not condone the behaviors of these students. Hate, disrespect, discrimination, and intimidation have no place in our buildings and schools. We will continue to ensure our policies support this, provide the necessary education with regard to diversity, inclusivity, bias, and equity awareness through our school programming, as well as continue to seek understanding the experiences of all in our *Blazer Learning Community*.

Provided below are some current programs we have implemented within our schools, further working towards our vision of *Learning Together; Advocating for All* through engaging our mission of *Taking pride in growing diverse learners in a safe environment*.

- Participation in the Anti-Defamation League [No Place for Hate®](#) pilot throughout the 2019/2020 school year in preparation for program implementation commencing with 2020/2022 in our Middle School & High School
- Utilizing the [Olweus Bullying Prevention®](#) in our Primary Center, Intermediate Center and Middle School
- Working with our Primary Center and Intermediate Center students through [Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports®](#)

These programs provide additional links to resources that adults can utilize to discuss the topics surrounding diversity, inclusivity, bias, and equity awareness with young people; as in the so eloquently put words of Nelson Mandela, "*Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.*"

Please click [Diversity, Inclusivity, Bias, and Equity Awareness Resources](#) to access our district website where additional information can be found to assist in having conversations surrounding diversity, inclusivity, bias, and equity awareness.

The social media post made last evening was brought to the attention of the appropriate individuals and is being handled in a manner that falls within the guidance provided by the *Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act (FERPA)* as well as in the confines of what the school district is able to do per Pennsylvania school code.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Brett A. Cooper".

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Superintendent of Schools