



## LOUDOUN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

*"Empowering all students to make meaningful contributions to the world."*

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### A Statement from the Loudoun County School Board and LCPS:

The Loudoun County School Board and LCPS affirms and welcomes input, ideas and dialogue from all of our communities and stakeholders. We fully support the expression of First Amendment rights and deplore any efforts to silence voices contributing to the valuable public discourse and debate that helps strengthen, guide and inform our work on behalf of our school community.

School Board Chair Brenda Sheridan reaffirmed the Board's and LCPS' longstanding commitment to hear, and respect, differing community voices. "Loudoun County Public Schools and the School Board works with parents and the community to acknowledge, promote, and meet the needs of every student and welcomes all perspectives."

"LCPS recognizes the right of members of the community to free speech, and does not condone anyone targeting members of the community for their viewpoint," said Interim Superintendent Dr. Scott Ziegler. "The work of providing an equitable education to our students requires many hard, but necessary, conversations, inclusive of all who would take part in these discussions, no matter their viewpoint."