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Stafford County Public Schools Statement on National Merit Scholarship Program Notification

STAFFORD, VA – Stafford County Public Schools is proud to acknowledge the accomplishments of our students, staff, community, and partners. We are deeply saddened to learn yesterday that six of our students were not notified of their National Merit Scholar Commended Student status in a timely manner. We sincerely apologize for the administrative error and the frustration this delay has caused these students and families. This is very frustrating for us, and not indicative of the pride we feel in our students and the approach we take in celebrating their personal achievements.

At this time, the school principal has contacted each affected student and their family. We are contacting each college to which these students applied to notify them of the applicant's commended scholar status.

We will also contact the National Merit Scholarship Program to discuss the notification process for students and principals.

Stafford Schools values Students, Integrity, Respect, Community, Opportunity, and Excellence. We strive to be transparent and supportive of all students, staff, and family members, and this includes regular recognition of achievement across the learning community.

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