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Dear Parents and/or Guardians:

Recently, there has been an increase in student misconduct in the junior-senior high school. Bathroom fights, vaping, and now threatening statements written inside toilet stalls have negatively affected school operations.

We recognize that students will occasionally exercise poor judgement, but we expect students to learn from their mistakes. The actions of individual students involved in these incidents do not represent conduct expectations for students in ESM schools. They have caused disruption to the school day and have undermined a positive school culture. Students require a secure, positive school environment in order to learn, free of fear and full of confidence.

Our schools will not tolerate disruptive, disrespectful, or dangerous behaviors such as fighting, vandalism, intimidation, harassment, vaping or drug use. These behaviors do not belong in our schools. Administrators will exercise school discipline options, and they will engage law enforcement officials when necessary to correct misconduct and to assure safe and orderly school operations.

It remains our commitment to connect and engage each student to the fullest extent possible. Concurrently, we will hold students accountable for behavioral choices that infringe on the rights of others to learn or jeopardize student safety. It is the shared responsibility of every school stakeholder to help assure that our schools remain safe and respectful for all students to succeed, therefore, we ask you to review conduct expectations at home.

Thank you for your continued support in helping assure that our schools remain safe and welcoming for all students to thrive and excel.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "P. Brimstein", is written over a horizontal line.

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