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Superintendent of Schools

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To The Members of the North Kingstown School Community,

We are writing to you today in our capacities as Superintendent and School Committee Chair to reaffirm the core values of the North Kingstown School Department. Our district is a community that prides itself on welcoming all students, families, and community members. We remain steadfast in our commitment to the safety and sense of belonging for every child in our school, regardless of their race, background, or identity. Our mission is to provide an educational environment that inspires academic excellence and prepares our students to be respectful, engaged citizens of a global community. We deeply value and encourage the active, respectful participation of our families and community members in this shared mission, and we do not condone hate or discrimination in any form. Our core values - Integrity, Trust, Collaboration, Transparency, Student-Focused, and Continuous Growth have been and will be our focus, which [Dr. Duva shared with you in September of 2023.](#)

We also want to acknowledge the concerns recently shared by some members of the public. It is important to clarify that School Committee members are elected officials and, as such, are directly accountable to the voters of our community. The Superintendent has administrative authority over the operations of the school department, and this authority does not extend to the oversight of elected officials.

As we approach the conclusion of this school year, our primary focus remains the well-being and success of our students and staff. We are dedicated to ensuring that every school remains an inclusive environment where every student has the opportunity to thrive. We look forward to continuing to celebrate the many milestones, achievements, and special moments that mark the end of the school year and honoring the hard work of our students and staff.

Sincerely,

Kenneth A. Duva, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Erin Earle, Ed.D.
School Committee Chair

“The North Kingstown School Department does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, language, disability, religion, age (over 40), gender, socio-economic status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, country of ancestral origin, interrupted education status, military status, genetic information (including family medical history), or any other category protected by law.”