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Dear Glassboro Families,

I am writing to provide reassurance and clarity in light of recent national conversations regarding immigration enforcement and possible changes in federal practices. News and social media coverage can sometimes breed fear and anxiety, and I want to speak to you directly about our legal obligations and our mission to serve all Bulldogs.

Our schools remain safe, welcoming places where every child belongs. Glassboro Public Schools are committed to ensuring that all students feel secure, supported, and ready to learn each day. As Bulldogs, we believe that strong schools are the heart of a strong community.

All children have the right to attend public school, regardless of immigration status. This is protected under federal law. A student's ability to learn, participate, and receive support in our schools is not determined by their family's background or circumstances.

Our district follows established procedures designed to protect students and follow the law. School staff are not authorized to provide access to students, student information, or school records without proper legal authorization reviewed by district administration and our board solicitor. Student records are protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), which safeguards student privacy.

If any outside agency makes a request involving a student, it is immediately handled by district leadership and legal counsel. These situations are not addressed at the classroom or school office level. Our goal is always to ensure that learning continues without disruption and that students feel safe at school.

Your child may hear things online or in conversations that cause confusion or fear. If your child expresses anxiety or concern, please reach out to your school principal, counselor, or teacher so we can provide support. Our staff is here not only to educate students, but also to care for their well-being.

Please know that we remain committed to protecting and educating every child entrusted to our care, while also following the law. If you have questions or would like to speak with someone, please contact my office. Thank you for your continued trust and partnership.

Yours in service,

Al Lewis, Ed.D.
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Glassboro Public Schools