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Blind Brook – Events in the Middle East

Dear Members of the Blind Brook Community,

It is likely that your children may have seen or heard news of the violence in Israel and Gaza over the weekend. The images are incredibly disturbing and may be difficult for children (and adults) to process, resulting in feelings of anxiety and fear.

If your children need to speak to someone about their concerns, please reach out to one of our psychologists and/or social workers. You can contact the main office of your child's school if you need assistance in contacting someone. Teachers and administrators will remain mindful of students' well-being during school-related discussions about current events. Please share any concerns you have about your children with their teachers, school psychologists, guidance counselors, and/or administrators.

Our goal at Blind Brook is to provide a supportive environment for our students. This goes beyond just academics and includes the establishment of a school culture where our students feel safe and accepted. Please reach out if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Dr. Colin M. Byrne
Superintendent of Schools