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All Are Welcome in Lawrence Public Schools

We are reaching out to share an important district message today, especially for anyone who may be experiencing concern in light of continuing state and national developments. These are challenging times. We recognize that current circumstances may cause increased fear, especially among the most vulnerable in our community.

In the Lawrence Public Schools, our core values, practices, and policies supporting inclusion for all remain firmly in place. We welcome, celebrate, and protect ALL students, ensuring environments where all students are valued and can learn, grow, and thrive each day in our classrooms.

We respect each student and staff and family member for exactly who they are, and for the gifts and uniqueness each brings to our classrooms, schools, and community. We remain deeply committed to supporting ALL students, staff, and family members, regardless of their national origin, race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

We are strengthened by the beautiful diversity within our classrooms and across our schools and community. This is an important time to reaffirm, and to deepen, our core values and abiding commitment to our support for ALL.

Thank you for your partnership and support of our continuing efforts to embrace, welcome, celebrate, and support ALL our students, staff and families every day.

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