November 14, 2019

Dear MSAAC Delegates, Members, and Community,

The Minority Student Achievement Advisory Committee (MSAAC) is dedicated to acknowledging and promoting the needs of minority students while advancing the academic, social, and cultural development of every student. As one of two parent-led advisory committees to the Loudoun County School Board, we partner with Loudoun County Public Schools (LCPS):

- to advise on the educational and cultural needs of minority students.
- to cultivate equitable educational experiences for all students.
- to create a forum for safe and respectful communication among parents, teachers, and administrators.
- to help parents and educators collectively understand the importance of nurturing a climate of cultural sensitivity in an increasingly diverse academic and social environment.

On Tuesday, November 12 we learned that LCPS was being investigated by the office of the Virginia Attorney General. The investigation followed the receipt of discrimination complaints which the Loudoun Branch of the NAACP compiled on behalf of LCPS students. We were glad to learn that LCPS is cooperating with the Attorney General. To date, MSAAC has not been briefed by LCPS on this matter. However, we stand ready to assist in any requests for information pertaining to this formal investigation, and we encourage students, parents, teachers, administrators, and community members to respond to any requests for information in support of this investigation.

We are committed to the creation and maintenance of an environment conducive to the positive and open communication that provides the foundation for the thoughtful and critical conversations needed to fulfill MSAAC’s mission.

Please mark your calendars for the Joint LCPS and NAACP Town Hall on Equity to be held today, Thursday, November 14, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at the Riverside High School Library, located at 19019 Upper Belmont Place, Leesburg, VA 20176.

You can find more information about MSAAC and upcoming meetings by visiting the website located at www.lcps.org/MSAAC. We also encourage you to follow MSAAC on Twitter and Facebook (@lcpsmsaac). If you have questions, please feel free to contact us at MSAACCommunications@lcps.org.

Sincerely,

MSAAC Executive Board 2019-2020