

Loudoun County Public Schools



PROCLAMATION

Bullying Prevention Month – October 2023

WHEREAS, school bullying has become an increasingly significant problem in the United States and Virginia; and

WHEREAS, one out of every four students (22%) in the United States are estimated to be involved in bullying each year, either as a bully or as a victim; and

WHEREAS, students who experience bullying are at increased risk for depression, anxiety, sleep difficulties, lower academic achievement, and dropping out of school; and

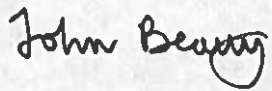
WHEREAS, bullying can take many forms, including verbal, physical, and in cyberspace, and can happen in many places on and off school grounds; and

WHEREAS, it is important for parents, students, teachers, and school administrators to be aware of bullying, and to encourage discussion of the problem as a school community; and

WHEREAS, the Loudoun County School Board is committed to providing for an equitable, safe and inclusive learning and working environment and affirms a commitment to this principle for all persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, disability, age, genetic information or veteran status; and

WHEREAS, LCPS has adopted policy on bullying prevention and education to encourage positive behaviors and, maintain a safe and affirming school environment where every student feels safe, happy, and cared for and to eliminate bullying behaviors.

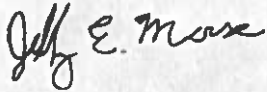
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Loudoun County School Board recognizes the month of October 2023 as Bullying Prevention Month, with the intention that the issue of bullying and its prevention be discussed in all LCPS schools and classrooms during that time.



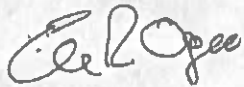
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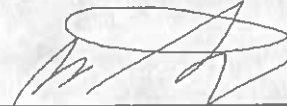
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