



# Detroit Community Schools

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To the students, families, and community of DCS,

It is with a heavy heart and great sadness that we watch the news and have seen the events spiraling out of control throughout our country.

I, as your superintendent, wish to assure each of you that your lives matter very much to me, to each faculty and staff member here at your school. Your lives and well being are very important to us here at DCS.

Let me be very clear when I state that **Detroit Community Schools does not tolerate racism of any kind**. We endorse and firmly believe treating everyone with equity and compassion; we believe in diversity and the opportunities that it brings; and we believe in standing united against injustice.

Your lives matter! It matters that you and your students have the opportunity to learn, to live in peace, to enjoy your families, to enjoy prosperity and health.

Even though we are experiencing distance learning and not face-to-face education, and we are experiencing social distancing, please know that Detroit Community Schools stands against the violence that we are seeing every night on the news, DCS stands against injustices, DCS stands against police brutality, DCS stands against racism.

Sincerely,

*Nancy Berkompas*

Superintendent  
Detroit Community Schools