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Subject: Further Follow-up on Locker Room Incident

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Dear Sun Prairie Families:

The SPASD is committed to communicating with our staff, families, caregivers, and community as transparently and timely as possible.

As with all situations we deal with, the safety of all our students is our very first priority. School districts across the state and nation must balance the dual goals of supporting transitioning students (transgender, non-binary, and gender-expansive students) while also protecting the privacy interests of all students. The Sun Prairie Area School District is committed to doing so in a manner that is grounded in our [mission, vision, and equity statement](#). The District stands in support of all of its students and will continue to ensure that all students' rights are protected.

Recently, an event that happened at SP East High School in March has brought to our attention that more communication has been necessary to meet the needs of our community. The Board of Education has also asked the administrative team to develop an improved strategy to communicate about the event, and to help our community better understand how we support our LGBTQIA+ students, staff, and families, not only through our partnerships but also through our formal district documents, such as guidelines.

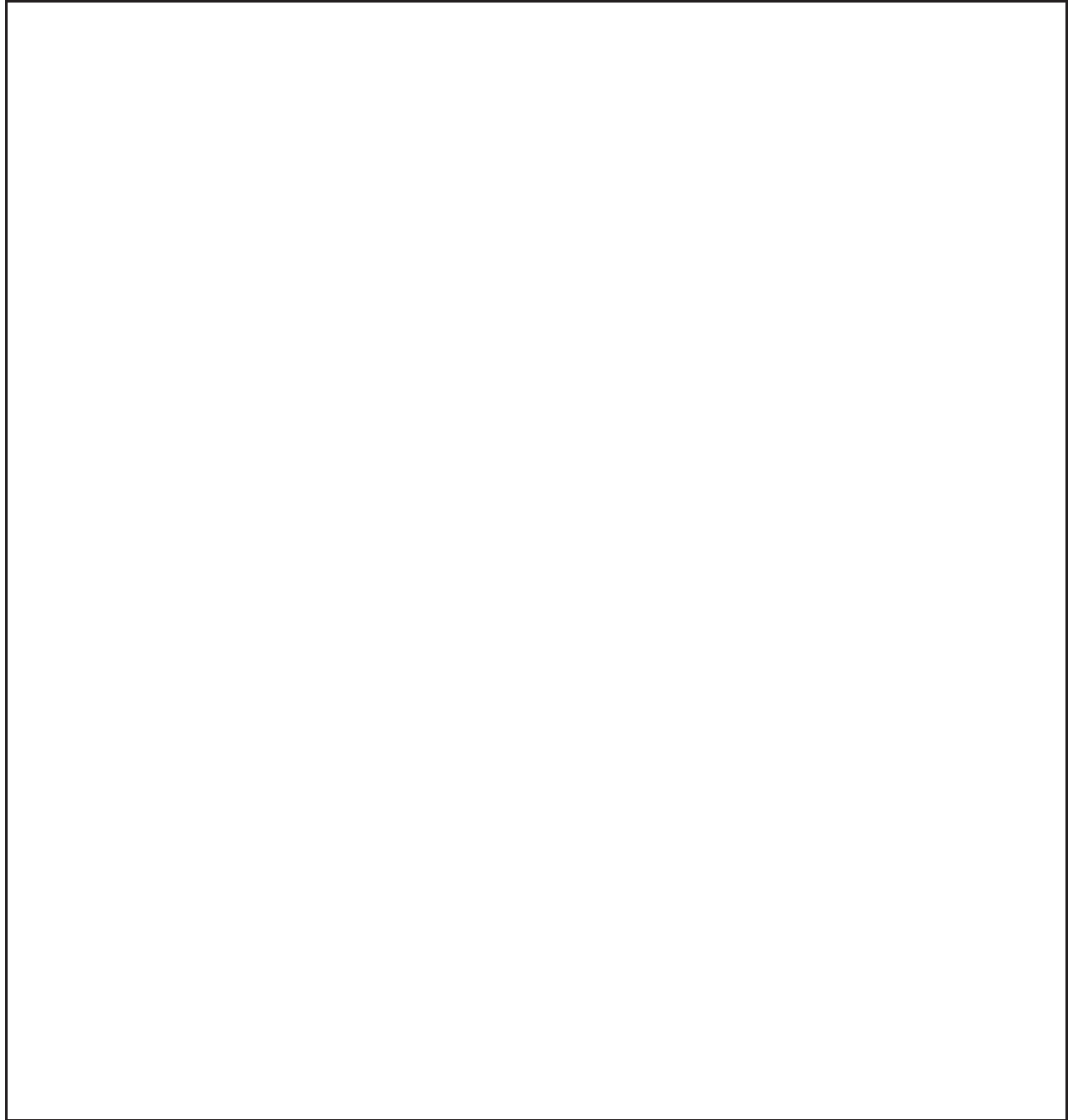
As such, we've worked hard to develop [this webpage, entitled Supporting All Students](#). This webpage includes two primary sections. First, there is a section that addresses the incident that occurred at Sun Prairie East High School and topics that have come up as a result of this incident, such as pupil confidentiality. Second, there is a section to better explain how we support our LGBTQIA+ students, family members, staff, and community. The Sun Prairie Area School District Board of Education proudly adopted and continues to stand behind the Board's Equity Statement (below) for the school district. We firmly support the District's mission to ensure ALL children are safe and loved in our schools.

Admittedly, our school district is not perfect. We want you to know that in instances when we get feedback from our community, we always take this feedback seriously, and we will always do our best to meet the needs of our students, families, and community members and to improve our practices.

Our best,

Brad Saron, Superintendent
Diana McFarland, Board President





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