

Dear Masterman community,

We want to let the Black community at Masterman know that we recognize and regret the pain that racist acts may have been inflicted on you. We also appreciate the courage it took to tell these stories whether they are on social media, during discussion groups, or through other means.

As a school community, together we will continue to strive to make Masterman a safe and inclusive community. We have already worked on some initiatives through our school and SAC to address diversity and cultural sensitivity in the classroom but there is much more work to be done. We will continue to make this a priority with our staff and in our School Advisory Council (SAC), and we will soon be sending out a survey to hear more feedback on some of the initiatives that have been ongoing as well as looking for additional ways to be proactive.

We are committed to making our community anti-racist and a safe place for all students and the entire Masterman community. We also thank our many students who are working hard to create forums for these types of discussions to happen between staff and students so that together we deepen our understanding of systemic racism and find ways to eliminate it.

We hope that you will work with us on this priority for our school.

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