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Dear OVSD Families,

The heartbreaking murder of Mr. George Floyd and the events that have been unfolding over the last week have shaken us all. The Ocean View School District and Board of Trustees stands united in the condemnation of racism, social injustice and violence in all its forms.

Creating a learning environment in which every child feels safe, secure, and valued is of paramount importance. This commitment is reflected in our core values of innovation, integrity, and equity, which guide all of our actions and decisions.

Educators have a responsibility to teach future generations about the injustices people of color face every day, to ensure they have the knowledge, skills, and confidence to build a more just world, and to inspire them to be the change.

Our hope is that our students not only receive the tools they need to be successful in their future, but also the tools to construct a brighter future for everyone through kindness, compassion, and respect.

As Martin Luther King, Jr. said, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

Sincerely,

Gina Clayton-Tarvin, Board President
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Jack Souders, Board Clerk
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