Date: April 30, 2018

Subject: Inappropriate Promposal

From: Michelle Falcon, Superintendent

 Mike Knapp, Principal

We were made aware of an inappropriate promposal over the weekend which has gone viral on multiple social media platforms. The Maple Valley School District has investigated the social media post originating from its grounds over the weekend, has identified those responsible, and has taken appropriate action. Federal educational privacy laws prohibit the School District from providing further detail.

The Maple Valley Schools prohibits all forms of discrimination against, and by, its students and staff. We therefore unequivocally condemn the actions which occurred last weekend. Although the actions did not occur during school hours or at a school event, we will use this incident to reinforce the conduct standards the District requires.

It is our goal to celebrate the diversity of all individuals.  The comments made in the promposal do not represent the views of this school district. On behalf of the responsible students, we apologize for this offensive post.  We believe it to be completely unacceptable.

We would like to thank all citizens who made our staff aware of this situation. We received a plethora of communications from concerned individuals about the posting. To our knowledge all postings have been taken down, however, our digital footprint can never be completely erased.

As an educational entity, we take this very seriously.  It is our responsibility to embrace diversity. We will take this opportunity to make a teachable moment out of a very bad situation.