



My Fellow Granite City School District Families and Staff,

On August 11, 2020, it was brought to myself and the Board of Education's attention that a District 9 employee made unprofessional and racially-charged remarks and comments on social media.

I want to expand upon the message that Board President Matt Jones communicated yesterday; the Granite City School District #9 has no tolerance for racism, bigotry, or hateful acts or words. Therefore, we have made a decision to sever ties with the subject employee effective immediately. The action will be ratified by the Board of Education at the next regularly scheduled meeting on August 25, 2020.

Our Board and myself are totally committed to creating an inclusive and positive environment that respects all of its students and staff. While we have provided bias training to all District Administration, we can and will do more. As a District, we will continue to partner with community members, parents, and students in order to embrace the diversity that embodies the Granite City community.

Thank you,

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