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Dear MSAD 54 School Community:

Recently it came to our attention that KKK flyers were left on the driveways and doorsteps of some homes in Skowhegan and possibly some neighboring communities. These flyers, which appear similar to those distributed in Augusta and Freeport, are a sad reminder that we can never stop educating our children about our country's history and our fundamental belief that we are all created equal under the law.

In MSAD 54, we take the welfare and safety of our students very seriously. Each of our schools has a civil rights team or group that helps to work to create understanding and empathy for diversity. We've taught our kids that bigotry and hate have no place in our schools or communities. We believe that it is fundamental to ensure that all our students and their families, regardless of their race, religion, or background, feel that our schools are places where they are safe and cared for.

Although our schools were not directly targeted, we take issues surrounding hate speech very seriously and thought it important to inform you. Should you or your child wish to talk, we encourage you to reach out to your school counselor or building principal. Together we can use this as an opportunity to educate and grow.

Sincerely,



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