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The Smyrna School District is committed to providing a safe, supportive, and respectful learning environment where every student feels heard and valued. Our primary focus each day is ensuring that students can learn, grow, and thrive in a setting that promotes both safety and academic success.

We deeply respect the First Amendment rights of our students and community members. Student voice matters, and civic engagement is an important part of learning and growing as responsible citizens. At the same time, the United State Supreme Court has affirmed, most notably in *Tinker v Des Moines Independent School District*, that schools may limit expression when it causes a material and substantial disruption to instruction or the orderly operation of the schools.

When protests or demonstrations take place during instructional time, they interrupt teaching and learning for all students. For that reason, demonstrations during the instructional periods are not permitted under the Student Code of Conduct.

We encourage students to share their perspectives in constructive and meaningful ways that do not disrupt learning or compromise safety.

Sincerely,

Smyrna School District Board of Education

The Smyrna School District does not discriminate in employment, educational programs, services, or activities based on race, color, marital status, creed, religion, national origin, gender, age, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability or any other protected category or status in accordance with state and federal laws. Inquiries should be directed to the District Superintendent.