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Canton School Committee

To develop students who are competent and creative thinkers, curious and confident learners, and compassionate citizens.

The following statement was read by Chair Kendall O'Halloran prior to the presentation of the Equity Audit Report during the April 6, 2023 School Committee meeting

No one enters into an audit of any kind thinking that the findings will be all positive; that is rarely, if ever, the case. The Equity Audit is no exception. The School Committee and Administration fully supported this audit taking place regardless of the tough results we may find; knowing that "what we don't know, we don't know".

The Canton School Committee and Canton Public Schools reject racism and discrimination in all its forms, have throughout the decades, and will continue to. BUT we know that there are undoubtedly blind spots that we don't see, and want those uncovered and addressed for all in the District to always have a true sense of belonging.

With the report from Public Consulting Group tonight, we will hear thoughts, perceptions and findings from the community. We use that data to continue to improve our District – for the children, families, educators, and all.

We seek a genuine feeling of true acceptance and belonging for and by each individual in our community. We want to take the information provided to help us evolve and better every aspect of our District.