Good afternoon/evening. This is a message for families and staff members of the Rochester City School District.

We are calling today because of the circumstances we are experiencing around our country and here at home since the tragic death of George Floyd last week in Minneapolis.

While many have expressed their right to protest, some have turned to violence, which we saw unfold yesterday in Rochester.

Student safety is our top priority. We are asking that students and families adhere to the curfew set in place by Mayor Warren and the City of Rochester. That curfew is in effect from 9:00 p.m. tonight until 7:00 a.m. tomorrow morning.

We care about you, and how you are coping with this, especially with the added stress of COVID-19. We understand that these violent acts are traumatizing for many. The District is committed to providing you with the social-emotional supports you may need during this time.

Beginning tomorrow, we will have several supports in place for students and families. Please visit our web site at www.rcsdk12.org/together for information about these resources. You can also call the RCSD Support Hotline at 585-262-8700 Monday - Friday for any assistance you may need.

Thank you for your understanding as we support one another during this time of difficulty.