

Dear UPCS Students and Families,

Last week, our nation was shaken by the death of George Floyd. Protests have followed across the country, including in Pittsburgh, by members of the community who are grieving this loss. Members of our own UPCS family have participated in these protests, and we recognize the pain, fear, and anger felt by so many during this time. We want all students, staff, faculty, and community members to know that we stand with you.

The staff at UPCS wants to and needs to be a part of the solution and we are here to provide support to our students and families to address these serious issues. If your child needs to talk through these concerns, we are equipped with resources and support to help. The administration team and counselors want to work alongside you and your child to provide continued support.

If you need resources or support, please contact our counselors or administrative team:

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Sincerely,

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