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**Subject:** Follow Up to 10/18 Incident

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**Dear Seahorse families,**

**On Wednesday 10/18, there was a student altercation during lunch. I decided to evacuate the building to ensure safety and provide emotional space to students and staff amid a heightened, atypical situation. I realize that this alternative was stressful in the moment, as fire drills are surprising and signal an emergency. At the time of the evacuation, students exited the building as they had been taught and the situation was diffused. I regret if any student or staff member is experiencing any lingering unsettledness. I am accountable to our community and the student body's best interests, and my primary goal continues to be to support teaching and learning at Burlington High School.**

**Debra Beaupre**

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