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Our nation has not been this divided since the Civil War. You are in a unique position to help heal our nation. It is my hope that you will reject any curricula that pit one race or ethnicity against another. It is my hope you encourage teaching American history as it happened. No excuse need be made for our mistakes as a nation, but also emphasis should be on our ability to learn from our mistakes and right previous wrongs.

Please involve parents in all your policy deliberations. It is my hope your schools will emphasize the three R's and STEM subjects. Not everyone needs to go to college. Everyone does need some form of higher education i.e. community college, trade school or apprenticeships.

The one principle I can recommend is the Golden Rule. Love one another as you would love yourself, do unto others as you would have done to you.

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