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Board Statement of Concern on Family Separation

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Dear Osborn Community,

The Osborn School District is deeply concerned about the irreparable trauma and damage being done to families separated under the current administration's "zero tolerance policy." The images and audio recordings released in the news are heartbreaking and appalling. Although the president signed an executive order ending this practice, it is still unclear how the 2,300 already-separated children will be reunited with their parents. The shocking brutality of this situation is emblematic of a broader shift in policy that directly impacts immigrant-rich communities like ours.

We are a public, educational institution. Education is the pathway to opportunity, and for groups that have been historically marginalized, a good education can be a powerful equalizer. We want to ensure *all* students have access to a high-quality education in a nurturing environment. Our schools are safe places, focused on developing our students to reach their highest potential. Our district will do everything it can to ensure all children are safe in their schools.

In solidarity,

Osborn School District Governing Board

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