

Statement Regarding the Conflict in the Middle East October 12, 2023

Dear Colleagues,

We are deeply saddened by the violence occurring in Israel and Gaza and that innocent lives have been lost during this bloodshed. We want to express our deepest sympathy for those whose lives have been affected.

The Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community District is built on a foundation of diversity, equity and inclusion, and support for all students and employees regardless of their background or religious beliefs. Hate against any group or people is antithetical to our beliefs.

Students who have been impacted by these acts of violence are urged to contact a personal and/or mental health counselor at their college. An employee assistance program is available for our staff members.

Our Grossmont-Cuyamaca community is here to support all of us. We are all united in our hope for peace.

Sincerely,

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