A Follow-Up to our Anderson Vertical Team Letter June 22, 2020

Dear Hill community,

We appreciate the responses and feedback we have received on our vertical team principal letter we sent out to our community last week. I would like to again reiterate our dedication at Hill School to continued learning and actions to ensure we provide an equitable educational opportunity for all of our students. We are again designated as a No Place for Hate school this year, which we take very seriously. Thank you to our wonderful counselors for the hard work they put in to support this work all year.

As part of our summer learning, some members of our staff have decided to participate in a book study during the next month on Ibram X. Kendi's <u>How to be an Antiracist</u>. More information about the book on the author's website can be found here:

https://www.ibramxkendi.com/how-to-be-an-antiracist-1

In the spirit of community, we hope some of our parents/guardians may consider reading this title as well. While we will not complete a full book discussion with our community members, we are willing to help organize possible book study groups as needed. The following Google Form for those interested will help us with information on who may be participating and how we can help you connect as needed. We have also provided the author's "Book Club Kit" that can help you reflect as you read and guide thoughtful discussions you may want to have with others:

https://forms.gle/bRJc72jm32kinDU66

https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5913d00603596e07853ef761/t/5dc 37dafd013963f1c034404/1573092786304/bookclubkit.ANTIRACIST.pdf

We look forward to the learning and important conversations that will surely take place. Other titles, articles, and resources were shared in our vertical team community letter last week as well that you may consider. We hope all of our families are safe, healthy, and continue to enjoy this beautiful summer weather so far! Please know I will keep you all updated regularly in the coming weeks on the upcoming school year and our planning.