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At New Buffalo Area Schools, our first priority is ensuring a safe learning environment for everyone. We have become aware that a display on a vehicle at student drop-off and pick-up has caused concern from parents and students. As a District, we share those concerns. Our students are prohibited from engaging in expressive conduct at school that constitutes hate speech or symbols, including the Confederate flag. The free speech rights of students while in school are not the same as the free speech rights of the public. Our sincere hope is that those who visit the District lead by example and model the behaviors we expect of our students. The District may only request that individuals refrain from displaying such symbols.

We also recognize that student drop-off and pick-up is a congested time, and we ask all parents to do their part to ensure students arrive at and depart from school safely and to minimize disruption during that time. We provide supervision at student drop-off and pick-up to ensure our students are safe.

We will continue to ensure that NBAS is a safe learning environment for everyone. Thank you for your cooperation and partnership in keeping NBAS a safe, welcoming place for every learner.

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