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Dear Families,



Live Oak Elementary School is committed to providing every student with an environment that is safe and where all students feel included. This year we are excited to continue the **No Place for Hate® Initiative** at our school.

No Place for Hate is developed by the Anti-Defamation League, one of the nation's largest civil rights organizations. The initiative provides a model for creating a more inclusive school environment. No Place for Hate incorporates new and existing programs with one consistent message and connects our school to a larger initiative taking place in other schools across the region and nation.

The program affords schools the opportunity to become designated as No Place for Hate by making a commitment to the following steps through the course of the school year:

1. Establish a No Place for Hate Coalition or "club" comprised of students, faculty, administrators, family members and community partners to spearhead the program.
2. Adopt the No Place for Hate Promise affirming a commitment to respect for diversity.
3. Complete a minimum of three No Place for Hate school-wide activities that promote respect for differences, address bias, bullying and name-calling and/or honor the diversity within our community.

Our current No Place for Hate committee is made up of 5th graders who will be moving on to middle school. We are looking to select students to be a part of the group for the 2018-19 school year.

We encourage you to discuss this exciting project with your child. As part of No Place for Hate, and the commitment to being respectful and supportive of others, students will be encouraged to sign the No Place for Hate Promise, as follows:

- *I PROMISE to do my best to treat everyone fairly.*
- *I PROMISE to do my best to be kind to everyone – even if they are not like me.*
- *IF I SEE someone being hurt or bullied I will tell a teacher.*
- *EVERYONE should be able to feel safe and happy in school.*
- *I WANT OUR SCHOOL to be No Place for Hate.*

To learn more or to get involved with No Place for Hate® at **Live Oak** please contact Nadine Rosenzweig, principal at nrosenzweig@srvusd.net. Together we can make our community a safe and welcoming space for all.

Sincerely,

Nadine Rosenzweig, Principal