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The School Board of Broward County, Florida

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Dear Superintendents,

February 14th marks the one-year anniversary of the horrific tragedy at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland. Seventeen were killed, seventeen more were injured, and our entire community is working through the painful process of healing. Over the past 12 months, most of you have reached out to express your support and concern, which has meant a great deal to me and everyone at Broward County Public Schools.

As we approach the anniversary next week, Sen. Bill Montford and I invite you and the schools in your district to stand with Broward Public Schools and share in the commemoration. On Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 10:17 a.m., we ask all schools across Florida to join us in observing a moment of silence to respect and remember those whose lives were lost, those who were injured, and the Marjory Stoneman Douglas and Parkland families whose lives have been changed forever.

Our entire state felt the incalculable loss Broward County experienced a year ago, and now our entire education community can play a meaningful part in our ongoing process of healing. I've included a short statement that your schools may wish to read before the moment of silence, if they are willing and able to participate.

I know we share a common commitment to do everything we can to enhance safety and security for the students, teachers, and staff in every one of our schools. Thank you for your heartfelt support and for paying tribute to MSD on the 14th.

Sincerely

Robert W. Runcie

Superintendent of Schools

Moment of Silence

On February 14, 2019, at 10:17 a.m., our school district joins Broward County Public Schools in observing a moment of silence to honor those whose lives were lost and recognize those injured during the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School tragedy.