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Dear Holland Township Families:

As we conclude a powerful week of celebrating Black History Month at Holland Township School, we want to take a moment to share with you what your child has been learning and discussing. Through our We Are O.N.E. and The Hero In Me initiatives, we focused on five key pillars of Black history — Unity & Community, Leadership & Courage, Innovation & Excellence, Resilience & Overcoming Challenges, and Legacy & Empowerment. These themes not only honor the contributions of Black leaders throughout history but also inspire our students to recognize the leadership potential within themselves.

Each morning, students heard messages about these values, connecting the lessons of Black history to their own lives. They were encouraged to reflect on how they can unite with others, lead with courage, strive for excellence, overcome obstacles, and create a lasting impact in their school and community. Our goal is to ensure that Black history is not just something we celebrate in February, but an ongoing lesson in leadership, growth, and unity.

To continue these conversations at home, we encourage you to engage with your child using the following discussion starters:

- Unity & Community: Who in your life brings people together? How can we help build a strong and supportive community in our home and school?
- Leadership & Courage: What does it mean to be a leader? Can you think of a time when you showed courage, even if it was in a small way?
- Innovation & Excellence: What is something you love to do or want to be great at? How can you work toward excellence in that area?
- Resilience & Overcoming Challenges: Have you ever faced a challenge that felt difficult? How did you get through it, and what did you learn from that experience?
- Legacy & Empowerment: What kind of impact do you want to have on others? What is one thing you can do to help make the world a better place?

We hope that these discussions inspire meaningful conversations at home and reinforce the values we are instilling in our students. Thank you for your continued support in making our school a place where every child feels empowered to be a leader and a positive force in their community.

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