



**MARBLEHEAD
PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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The Marblehead School Committee received an email with specific language “I would like to open an official complaint against Michele Cresta” regarding her district wide email condemning the violence in Israel. Shortly after, we received an email from Leigh Blander, a reporter with The Marblehead Current, asking about claims of “students feeling bullied”. Following both of the emails I contacted legal council who advised us to follow our established policies when complaints of this nature are made.

We have scheduled an executive session in compliance with our policies as is required. I am confident that through following the established policies, Acting Superintendent Cresta will be able to speak to all complaints in accordance with district policy and the School Committee will be able to make a definitive statement regarding the allegations of wrong doing. We will be making a statement immediately following the executive session.