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As our MHS community returned today after the tragic loss of James Galante, we are coming together to process and grieve. On Friday, when Police Chief King communicated the tragic news, he requested “the media give the Galante family privacy during this difficult time.” Some of our students have come to us today troubled that they are depicted in photos on social media from Saturday’s vigil. These students are feeling vulnerable and in some cases violated or embarrassed. While I do not understand the thinking behind capturing such grief and posting it, I do understand the damage it is causing. I am imploring our community to respect the privacy of our students, staff and families as we continue to process and mourn the death of James Galante.