

Yorktown Yearbook Issue



Yorktown High School

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Dear Yorktown Community,

On Monday, we distributed yearbooks to students. Several students and parents have shared concerns that the Yorktown yearbook has a senior quote which is considered antisemitic. We regret the harmful impact this has had and apologize to the community.

All yearbook quotes are reviewed by administration and yearbook staff. Due to an oversight, this quote was allowed to be printed. Yorktown condemns all use of hate speech and language that promotes violence.

To avoid such issues in the future, we will review our approval procedures for senior quotes and ensure no quote violates the student code of conduct on allowed speech.

In addition, any student who would like a black sticker to put over the quote can pick one up from Mr. Troy Olsen in room 264 or the main office starting Friday, June 7th. Students can request a replacement page without the quote, or a new yearbook with the quote deleted by notifying Mr. Olsen via email at troy.olsen@apsva.us by Monday, June 10, 2024. Pages will arrive soon, and new yearbooks will arrive in several months.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kevin Clark
Principal