## Delaware Valley School District

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Dear Delaware Valley Community:

It is with deep sadness that I write this letter informing you of the passing of one of our teachers. Delaware Valley High School math teacher Joel Davis passed away earlier today in a Scranton area hospital. All of us are shocked and saddened by his sudden passing. We don't have many details at this time but have been told it is wasn't due to COVID.

Joel was a big teddy bear of a guy who was always very friendly and happy. He taught math at DVHS for more than a decade. He was deeply committed to his church and its activities. He was also an incredible baker of desserts.

Counselors and other support staff will be on hand at school on Monday to comfort students and staff. Counselors will also be present in Mr. Davis's math classes on Monday. We encourage his current and past students to discuss their feelings with their parents over the weekend. We also encourage any parents with concerns about their child and needing assistance to please reach out to his or her counselor at the high school.

Our hearts go out to the Davis family and all of Joel's friends and colleagues during this incredible time of grief.

Sincerely,

John J. Bell

John J. Bell, Ed.D. Superintendent