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Dear Iowa State Community,

We want to update you regarding the most recent incidents of racism on campus. We also want to let you know that to provide campus more timely information, we will be communicating about these and future incidents of racism or bias through the [Campus Climate website](#).

**Racist vandalism and stickers**

Iowa State University Police received a report last night of a swastika etched on a den door in Buchanan Hall. There are also ongoing reports of racist stickers and posters on light poles and bus stop signs around campus.

We want to again emphasize that we denounce racism, white supremacy, anti-Semitism and all bigoted rhetoric and actions. We are appalled that people continue to spread hate on our campus. We urge all of you to join us in condemning such views in accordance with our [Principles of Community](#).

ISU Police are investigating the swastika vandalism and the Department of Residence is offering support and resources to all residents on the impacted floor of Buchanan Hall. The vandalism, stickers and posters are being removed in accordance with university policy.

**Stay informed**

The [Campus Climate website](#) is now the central source for Iowa State news and information about racism and bias incidents and other campus climate news.

Please continue to be vigilant and reach out to each other with care and support. If you are in need of further support, please access our [campus resources](#).

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