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NOVEMBER 15, 2012 BY ADMIN



As student leaders of The University of Mississippi, we want to respond to the incidents that occurred on our campus last Tuesday night. The hateful, small-minded actions committed by some students are unacceptable and embarrassing; they have tarnished the reputation of the university we love so dearly.

This year was special as we celebrated the University's fiftieth year of integration – we've made substantial strides in race-relations since 1962. However, after the re-election of President Barack Obama, a small group of students took to campus streets playing "Dixie," shouting, "The South will rise again," and screaming racial slurs at their fellow students. This behavior is absolutely unacceptable on The University of Mississippi's campus, and it flies in the face of the University Creed. Every single student on our campus pledges to uphold the values of the Creed at Orientation – including respect for the dignity of each person, and treating others with fairness and civility. And, it is every student's responsibility to hold one another accountable for living a life that embraces the tenets of the Creed.

We've made progress as a community and as a university since James Meredith bravely integrated our institution, but election night reminded us we still have a long way to go. The University of Mississippi is not a perfect place – we must not be complacent. We cannot settle for the status quo or think we've come far enough. That type of mentality is the reason inequality, injustice, and prejudice still exist – and to move forward, we need to have meaningful dialogue with one another, face-to-face, not by tweets or text or Facebook. To move forward as a student body and university, we need to discuss our differences and strive to genuinely understand one another's backgrounds, cultures, and beliefs. Long gone should be the days of self-segregation, of exclusion, of hateful words, and of ostracizing someone for being different. To students who believe what happened on our campus is somehow acceptable, and to those who partook in hateful speech: you are not welcome at The University of Mississippi. We do not want you here. Our campus is not a safe haven for hate.

The University of Mississippi is a campus for all who follow the principles of our Creed. We have our work cut out for us, but we're ready for the challenge to keep progressing as a student body and as an institution. We are dedicated to fostering and honoring the University Creed not just on campus, but also as representatives for The University of Mississippi around the state, the nation, and the world.

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