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Our Bayonne Community,

It is with deep sorrow that I share the heartbreaking news of the passing of Saniya L. Felton, a beloved member of our community. A second grader at William Shemin Midtown Community School, Saniya touched the lives of many with her bright smile and gentle spirit, and her loss is deeply felt by all who knew her.

During this time of profound grief, all of the BBOED family extend our heartfelt condolences to her family and loved ones. No words can adequately express the pain they feel, but we stand together as a community to offer our support and strength to one another.

In the face of such tragedy, let her family, friends, teachers, and classmates remember the joyful moments and the love she brought into their lives. Together, we mourn the loss of a young life taken far too soon.

Please know that we have counselors available at William Shemin Midtown and Nicholas Oresko Schools if anyone needs to speak to someone about this tragedy. (Midtown – 201-858-5984; Oresko – 201-858-6281).

Please join us in honoring young Saniya's memory and supporting those who are grieving during this difficult time.

With deepest sympathy,

John Niesz  
Superintendent

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