

Greetings,

When I embarked on this journey to become superintendent of schools, I really thought that the Island would be a safe place to live and raise a family. I was wrong. In fact, the Island has become one of the most dangerous places in the country for Black people.

As we have all seen, we have been forced to live in fear of testing. If you mention that you are Black, you will likely be targeted by staff, especially those about to begin their training. You may think that discrimination exists because of a lack of education or a lack of understanding, but the truth is that it is rooted in racism.

Fortunately feels a lot different

While the Island is again experiencing a surge in cases, this year

I am pleased to report that many of the COVID-19 restrictions were lifted by the CDC,

While we may be pleased

to our safety. I really think we need to change.

Please be mindful and take precautions to ensure

**It really is a true privilege serving you all.**

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