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Bennett Family of Companies' Employees, Drivers, and Agents

Bennett is a privately held, family-owned business with 51 years of service and having a set of Core Values that, among others, include Family, Faith, and Patriotism. It is our shared responsibility as members of the Bennett family to embrace and protect these core values that have sustained Bennett during these 51 years.

We live in a time of 24-hour news cycles, diverse views, social media, and unrest which can sometimes enter our work environment, even if by accident. Unfortunately, we experienced an occurrence this week when a <u>former</u> employee expressed her views on social media which sadly brought Bennett into a negative light that was unwarranted, but which caused concerns and fear for many associates on campus and in the field.

Bennett's additional core values include Respect, Loyalty, Accountability, and Diversity. Each of us is entitled to our views and opinions, yet we also need to accept responsibility for our actions and respect the values of this amazing organization and what each of us has worked hard to create. We therefore ask that you to be cautious of views expressed on social media and please make efforts to guard against negative expressions on social media sites associated with Bennett. We learned this week just how fragile a reputation is when one message is replicated thousands of times.

Thank you for your dedication, commitment, and service to this family business!

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