Indiana University’s Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences rejects racism in all its forms. On January 11, 2023, one of IU’s own, an eighteen-year-old Asian American student was the victim of a racially based attack, in a horrific reminder that we continue to live within a culture impacted by white supremacy. When racism manifests as violence, it not only injures immediate victims, but creates and sustains fear within our communities. No one should live in fear of racially motivated violence, and we voice our support for our Asian students, faculty, staff, patients, and community members who have endured a rising national trend in Anti-Asian racism. We are here to support you and hear your voices. We appreciate and support the response of IU’s Asian Culture Center and encourage others to look to their leadership in responsiveness to hate based attacks. For those seeking further information, including bystander training and methods for reporting bias incidents, see the resources below:

https://sphs.indiana.edu/about/diversity-inclusion/reporting-procedures.html

https://asianresource.indiana.edu/stop-aapi-hate/index.html

https://www.advancingjustice-aajc.org/trainings-address-anti-asianasian-american-harassment