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HARTFORD, WISCONSIN 53027

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Dear Hartford Jt. 1 Families,

Thank you for your patience as we prepare for the 2020-21 school year. We understand that this may be a challenging time for families as you begin to plan for the new school year.

We believe it is our duty as a district to listen, learn and engage. Therefore, we are sharing a glimpse into how we are planning for the upcoming school year:

WE ARE LISTENING: As you know, in June, we sent out a Parent & Staff Survey requesting feedback on your experiences with virtual learning this spring, and your preferences for the fall.

- Update: We have compiled the survey data and are preparing an Executive Summary for you to review. We plan to send this out via email to families by the end of next week.

WE ARE LEARNING: To gain additional feedback and planning input, the District has been meeting with a Steering Committee made up of HJT1 stakeholders including: parents, staff, and school board members.

- Update: We have learned from the survey data, parent feedback, and the Steering Committee that there are two main priorities in which we must consider when preparing to Reopen Our Schools: 1) Academic Progress of Students, and 2) Ensuring the Safety of Students & Staff. These two priorities are significant drivers as we prepare a plan to Reopen Our Schools.

WE WILL ENGAGE: As we draft a plan to Reopen Our Schools, we believe in the importance of providing options for families in order to best meet the needs of all learners.

- Update: We continue to monitor information from health organizations at the federal, state and local level. We are having regular conversations with our leadership team, legal consultant, and surrounding school districts as we discuss health and safety, staffing, busing, food service, and other crucial logistics.
- If approved by the HJT1 School Board, we expect to release our plan to Reopen Our Schools by the end of next week. Please watch your email for further communication.

Please continue to monitor your email and the Hartford Jt. 1 website at www.hjt1.org for updates and further information.

Yours in education,

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