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Dear Stakeholders,

I am delighted to announce the establishment of a new initiative aimed at fostering stronger collaboration and engagement between our school district and the community we proudly serve. It is with great pleasure that I introduce the inception of the Zachary Community School District Stakeholder Advisory Groups. We will begin our recruiting and nomination processes in the next few weeks and our first meetings will take place starting in September 2023.

Zachary Community School District Stakeholder Advisory Groups:

- Parent/Guardian Advisory Group
- Student Advisory Group
- Teacher Advisory Group
- Support Team Advisory Group
- Community Advisory Group

We firmly believe that the success of our schools depends on the active participation and input of all stakeholders. Our schools are more than just buildings; they are centers of learning, growth, and development for our students, and they have always played a pivotal role in shaping the fabric of our community.

The primary purpose of the Stakeholder Advisory Groups is to provide a platform for open dialogue and meaningful interaction between our district leadership, educators, parents, guardians, students, and members of the broader community. These advisory groups will serve as a vital conduit for sharing insights, ideas, concerns, and recommendations that will directly influence the decisions and policies that impact our schools.

The goals of the Community Advisory Group are as follows:

- Enhance Communication: Foster transparent and two-way communication between the school district and the community to ensure that everyone's voice is heard and valued.
- Collaborative Decision-Making: Engage in collaborative discussions that contribute to informed decision-making processes, ensuring that a diverse range of perspectives is considered.
- Support Student Success: Identify ways to enhance the educational experience for our students and create opportunities to expand supportive learning environments.
- Community Engagement: Strengthen the bond between our schools and the community by promoting participation in school-related activities and initiatives.
- Address Concerns: Provide a constructive space for addressing concerns or challenges faced by the district and seek collective solutions.

We are excited about the potential these advisory groups hold and the positive impact they will have on our schools and community. Our school district has always appreciated the support of our stakeholders and we are excited about the opportunity to build even more relationships that connect our schools to our community. Our district theme this year is "Building on Success Together," and these advisory groups will serve to foster that goal.

Together in Education,
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