Family Communication September 9, 2022

Hello Families,

I am reminded of the power of routines as we head into our second week of school. Routines that are predictable and repeatable provide a sense of stability and structure for our students and families. This year, we will be setting routines and developing skills to learn how we can support one another across three key areas:

- Social and Emotional Learning
- School Improvement Goals and Strategies
- District-wide Planning for Success

We have framed these key areas around a promise to our community: *all* students in the Stanwood-Camano School District will be empowered to learn in an inclusive setting and prepared for the future of their choice. This promise is foundational to what we commit to providing for all students and is the basis of our five-year strategic plan. This plan will drive the routines and structures we build to support staff, students, and families.

Introducing our Strategic Plan 2022-27

On Aug. 16, the School Board approved the district's five-year Strategic Plan. Many of you contributed to the creation of this plan over the past year by serving on one of the planning teams or completing a survey. More than 2,500 individuals participated in this nearly year-long process, and we are grateful for your help.

The Plan features four goals and measures for student success.

 Goal 1: Every student in preschool to Grade 3 will develop the social-emotional and academic competencies critical for their future growth and development

- Goal 2: Every student will be a learner that is empowered to advocate for and pursue their own educational passions and to address issues in collaborative and resourceful ways
- Goal 3: Every student will demonstrate continuous growth toward meeting academic, social-emotional, and behavioral goals at a pace that eliminates opportunity and achievement gaps
- Goal 4: Every student will graduate from high school with the skills, experiences, and readiness to pursue the future of their choosing

Through this process of creating the Strategic Plan, our planning teams "painted" our portrait of a Stanwood-Camano graduate:

- o College, Career, Life-Ready Graduate
- Resilient Scholar
- o Effective, Collaborative Communicator
- Intellectual Innovator
- Solution-Seeker
- Responsible, Community-Minded Citizen

I invite you to review the Strategic Plan four-page summary <u>HERE</u>.

Throughout the year, as we embed the plan into our daily work as a district, I will continue to report to you on our progress.

Get social with us!

Please remember to follow the SCSD on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, and <u>Twitter</u>, and please follow my tweets <u>@rumbaughsupt</u>.

Respectfully, Deborah Rumbaugh, Ed.D. Superintendent