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Dear Anthony Wayne Local Schools Stakeholder,

First and foremost, thank you for being a part of our school community and for your contributions to our success. This letter serves to update you on our District Strategic Planning process and Facility Master Planning. A brief description and timeline of each is shared with you below.

District Strategic Planning

School districts and other organizations use the strategic planning process to reflect upon their progress, gather feedback, review their core values, mission and vision, and plan for the future. Anthony Wayne Local Schools has partnered with Finding Leaders, an educational consultant to support the District's strategic planning. Board of education members, administrators, staff members, students, families, community members, business owners, clergy, and more have been a part of this collaborative effort. Thank you for your contributions!

As of today, we are approximately halfway through the strategic planning process. We are hopeful to present the Strategic Plan to the AWLS Board of Education in August for review and approval.

- January 2022: Lead Team Meeting
Purpose: Engage local leaders in the planning process and identify community group representatives who will be invited to participate
- February 2022: Management Team Meeting
Purpose: Training session in preparation of facilitating small group discussions and gathering feedback
- February - March 2022: Small Group Discussions
Purpose: Gather feedback about the District from representatives from across the AWLS community
- April 2022: District Stakeholder Retreat
Purpose: to begin development of mission statement, vision statement, core beliefs and action goals
- May - June 2022: Action Team Meetings
Purpose: to refine the mission to begin development of mission statement, vision statement, core beliefs and action goals
- July 2022: Draft and Finalize the Strategic Planning Document
- August 2022: Strategic Plan presentation to the AWLS Board of Education

Facility Master Planning

A facilities master plan is used to guide the long-term maintenance and management of a school district's buildings and properties to ensure they meet the needs of students today, and into the future.

This planning process was last used during the 2015-16 school year. At that time, the facility master plan recommended and guided the renovations made at five of our six schools and the construction of the new Whitehouse Primary School. An architectural and facility master planning firm will be chosen to conduct research, evaluate the District's needs, gather stakeholder input, and develop a new facility master plan.

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The District will work with the selected firm to develop a timeline for completion and implementation of the plan, but approval is expected by late fall/early winter of the 2022-23 school year.

The comprehensive nature of the strategic and facilities research and planning process does take some time, and we are grateful for each of the participants in this collaborative effort. Once complete and approved, the District Strategic Plan and Facility Master Plan will guide the District's decision making for the next several years.

Updates will be provided to our community as they become available. If you have questions about the Strategic Planning Process or Facility Master Planning, please call 419-877-5377. Your continued contributions are welcome and appreciated.

Thank you,

Dr. Jim Fritz
Superintendent
Anthony Wayne Local Schools