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Return to School Community/Parent Night

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s), Students, and Community Members,

While you are preparing for students to return to school for the Fall Season, it is evident that 2020 is not going to look like our typical return. We have all heard speculation as to how schools are going to operate, restrictions put into place, and rumors as to whether school will be allowed in our buildings. Unfortunately, much of the information circulating is through the use of social media and word of mouth. As most of us understand, these information channels can be very helpful, but are often unreliable and do not always contain the most accurate information. Therefore, I encourage you to seek the most accurate information available directly from the school rather than through other channels as we approach the new school year.

To help provide parents with the opportunity to receive the most accurate information pertaining to the start of school, as well as to ask specific questions related to the needs of their child, Union School District invites you to Parent/Community Night at the football stadium at Union High School on August 12, 2020 at 6 PM. Tables will be set up for parents to ask questions concerning daily operations, transportation, food service, technology, and athletics. If you have concerns about special needs for your child, this will provide you an opportunity to schedule a personal meeting with appropriate school staff to address those concerns.

Union School District plans to operate within the laws, regulations, mandates, and guidelines set forth by the federal and state governments, as well as the department of health. However; we strive to keep daily operations as similar to normal as we are allowed, so that we may provide a positive educational experience for all students. We understand that the highest quality educational experience for students is through face to face interaction between your child and their teacher(s). Therefore, we highly encourage you to send your children to school for physical attendance. If you have concerns about your child's physical attendance in our buildings, we will accommodate distance learning on your child's normal school schedule so that they may continue to interact with his/her teacher(s) and classmates while also receiving assistance as if he/she were physically in the classroom.

Thank you for your continued support of our community and school district as we all work together to provide the best educational experience for our students possible during this unique set of circumstances.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Kimmel, Superintendent Union School District