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Re: School Opens September 6th

Dear Community,

Welcome back to the 2022-2023 school year! I trust that you had a restful and enjoyable summer with loved ones. **We have been working diligently this summer to ensure that we are prepared and ready to welcome students and staff into our school buildings on Tuesday, September 6th.**

Our theme for this year is: ***“Leading & Learning for Improvement, Impact & Growth”***

I look forward to visiting classrooms this year as we engage our students in rigorous grade-level work. Some goals we aim to accomplish this year as a district are as follows:

- Developing Attendance Review Committee teams to stress the importance of attendance, the impact it has on student learning, and to decrease chronic absenteeism rates;
- Work closely with high school leaders and guidance counselors to increase graduation rates;
- Release four Inspire(a) publications highlighting the work around the district;
- Increase reading comprehension and student understanding of reading foundational skills;
- Engage students in standards-based grade-level math lessons aligned to the new district curriculum.

In closing, I would like to thank staff and the Board of Education for all of your support. The success of Passaic Public Schools is dependent upon the contributions and dedication by each and every person and together, I believe that we will become one of the best school systems in New Jersey.

Wishing you all a healthy and successful school year!

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