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Dear West Seneca School Community Member:

I am pleased to report that we have had a very strong start to the 2024-25 school year. All of our schools and school operations are in full swing, and our students and teachers are hard at work each day!

As we move forward this year, there are a number of continuing challenges that continue to impact the student experience in schools across our district that are tied to student enrollments and the issues related to space and school building capacity. These issues include significant variations in class sizes in some schools, the use of inappropriate spaces for teaching and learning and limitations on programming for students that are rooted in the number of students attending school in some buildings.

At this time, the Board of Education would like to resume the Redistricting process that was paused last year in hopes of arriving at a set of thoughtful recommendations to take on these challenges as part of a long-term plan. Our timeline calls for the Board to consider recommendations by the end of the 2024-25 school year for implementation in phases beginning no earlier than September 2026.

A critical first step in making our work transparent will be to help build clarity around the “why” of redistricting. This will require clarifying the issues that make this work so necessary and establishing clear priorities to serve as the basis of long-range decision making. From there, we pledge to keep you informed throughout the process and offer regular opportunities to provide feedback to help guide our process.

As we begin, I would like to invite you to view a short presentation regarding our plans for redistricting at the following link: [24-25 Redistricting Community Meeting](#). This brief video provides an overview of the issues we are facing and discusses the major components planned for our process. You can also access the [slides](#) used during the presentation [here](#).

After watching the video, all members of our school community are invited to offer their thoughts and feedback on a Thought Exchange you can access here [24-25 Redistricting Priorities Feedback](#).

Finally, if you would like more detailed information on the Redistricting Process, you are invited to join me at our initial community forum on **Wednesday, October 16th at 7:00 PM in the Board of Education room at West Elementary School**. This session will provide more detailed information on the challenges facing the District and allow you an opportunity to ask questions as well.

This will be challenging work but I believe that our community’s commitment to meet the needs of all our students will serve us well in this effort. I certainly hope that you will decide to join us in that work.

Sincerely,

Lisa Krueger, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools