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Dear Community Member,

The time has come for the Haldane school community to develop a new strategic coherence plan. In order to do so, we are seeking to re-engage the school community in a discussion about our vision, mission and goals for our students. Our district has enlisted the support of Jonathan Costa of EdAdvance to facilitate this process. If you are interested in learning more about Jonathan, please visit: <https://edadvance.org/about-us/edadvance-leadership/jonathan-p-costa-sr/>

There are multiple opportunities for community members to become involved in the process. Next week I will distribute a link for an online engagement platform, which is designed for community members to share their perspectives on the skills associated with a successful Haldane graduate. In October, Jonathan will be on our campus to host a community forum about the developing profile of a graduate. Throughout the late fall and winter you will hear more from me, our administrators, and our teachers about our planning efforts and the result of our work. All of this will culminate in a new strategic coherence plan by the end of the school year.

Please also note that the following community members will serve as part of the strategic coherence planning team throughout the fall:

Jennifer Daly	Judy Farrell	Laura Hammond
Lauren Hocker	Christine Jamin	Nancy Martinez-Cirelli
Dave McCarthy	Kim McCollum	Andrea McCue
Catherine Platt	Andrea Saunders	Lisa Scicluna
MaryAnn Seelke	Julia Sniffen	Kristen Spooner
Tom Virgadamo	Philip Benante	Michelle Cordaro

This group is charged with examining the results of the community engagement platform against our current practices as a school system, and to develop a plan to address areas in need of further development. Please feel free to connect with these community members as we engage in this work.

If there is one thing I have come to learn and appreciate about our school, it is our community's willingness to engage in shaping the experiences we are trying to create for our students. Please be on the lookout for next week's communication regarding the profile of a graduate--your participation is essential to ensure that the planning team's work is reflective of the community's values and perspectives.

Sincerely,
Philip Benante, Ed. D.

The Haldane School District will prepare all students to succeed in an ever-changing global society.