Greetings, La Porte ISD stakeholders. Today is a great day to be a Bulldog!

"Building a Legacy of Excellence" is La Porte ISD's theme for the 2023-24 school year. We have had a very productive summer, and our team has worked tirelessly to hone their skills to continue providing our students with world-class academics.

We were so excited to welcome students back on August 15! This year will be a little different as we move forward with the many LP Bond 2023 projects that were overwhelmingly approved by our community this past May. First, the landscape is changing at La Porte High School as we prepare to construct a new Bulldog Stadium and Learning Center. The bond will positively affect every campus in our district, whether it involves sprucing up with landscaping and interior improvements or bolstering our security measures. We are also proud that La Porte ISD is truly a 1:1 district, which means that every student and staff member has a computer to use.

Our mission statement is *Every student's success is our number one priority*. Part of ensuring such success involves maintaining our high expectations — not only in the areas of academics, fine arts, and athletics — but also socially. For example, the dress code we have in place is not just a set of rules but reflects values and standards we uphold as an educational institution. By adhering to the dress code, our students are not only demonstrating their respect for the learning environment but are also preparing themselves for success in academic and social realms.

Finally, I am asking that you help us *Fill the Hill*. Barbers Hill ISD has graciously welcomed La Porte this school year to hold our home games in their stadium, and our student groups need our support. Hundreds of our students help make up the Friday Night Lights — football, band, cheer, Chatos, JROTC and student trainers, among others. They deserve to see the home crowd cheering them on. Thank you for helping us to make this transition year special for our students.

We appreciate your continued support, and we look forward to working with you to continue our legacy of excellence in La Porte ISD.

In your service,

Walter Jackson, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools