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Dear Incoming Families,

As we continue the journey towards your child's transition to Stevenson High School, we want to reiterate our unwavering commitment to supporting you and your child every step of the way. Our initial letter emphasized our Special Education Department's dedication to ensuring a smooth and successful transition. Building upon that foundation, we are excited to share further developments in our articulation efforts.

Our articulation efforts are in full swing, with our teams collaborating closely with the 8th-grade staff to ensure a seamless transition to Stevenson High School. We have already shared students' IEPs, 3-year evaluations, and MAP scores. This collaborative groundwork is essential as we approach January's course selection. To further support this process, we have scheduled several vital activities for October:

- SHS and 8th-grade teams (Case Managers and Related Service Staff) will meet to review paperwork, collaborate, and discuss students' IEPs, classes, and current functioning.
- Instructional Teachers (SHS Sped. teachers who teach Core academic classes) will meet with 8th-grade teachers to review students' work and discuss class recommendations.
- SHS teams will visit some 8th-grade classrooms for student observations. These observations help us better understand each student's learning style and needs, ensuring we can provide the best support at Stevenson High School.

As we previously mentioned, the 8th-grade year will fly by, and we want to assure you that we are here to support you and your child throughout this journey. We will continue to communicate each month as we approach course selection nights in January.

Warm regards,

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