

Greetings,

In a really politically neutral manner, I wanted to begin by saying that I'm glad the election is behind us. What now? Well, we press on and stay true to the Clipper course. We're going to continue breaking down barriers for students, working on student achievement, working towards making South Country the best learning community it can be, and most importantly - continue filling our cups. I'm also pleased at the feedback we've received regarding our Superintendent's Conference Day and am thankful and appreciative of everyone who participated. Personally, it was great to be back in the classroom, interacting with staff and engaging in great discussions.

In terms of setting a great course for the district, I'm really excited to announce the launch of a process to develop our strategic plan. This will be a pivotal initiative that will shape the future of our district. As we begin this journey, I want to emphasize the importance of your involvement in this process.

The updated Strategic Plan will aim to create a roadmap that not only reflects the aspects of our school that are already working well but also addresses areas in which we can make improvements. I can say with confidence that we are committed to considering your perspectives and opinions on the direction we should take.

As I hope you are aware, I genuinely value your input in making our updated Strategic Plan the best it can be and I encourage you to share your insights on what we are excelling at and where there's room for growth. Additionally, I'm eager to hear your thoughts on what we should prioritize for the future.

To participate and share your valuable feedback, please click here: [Strategic Planning Survey](#)

The survey platform allows you to contribute your thoughts anonymously, and you can also view and rate the feedback provided by other staff and community members. (The survey will also be made available to our entire community.) The hope is for open and ongoing dialogue, so feel free to revisit the platform often and keep the conversation alive.

Your feedback will be instrumental in guiding our future plans, so I'm urging you to make your voices heard. The survey will remain accessible until November 22nd. Thank you for your engagement and support as we work together to shape the future of the South Country Central School District.

Finally, this Veterans Day, let us honor the bravery and sacrifices of our veterans. Their dedication reminds us of the values of service, resilience, and commitment. Let us take this opportunity to express gratitude for their contributions, reflecting on the freedoms and peace we enjoy because of them.

Best wishes for a great weekend and as always, it really is a pleasure serving South Country as your superintendent of schools.

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