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A Letter to the Community

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It is with sincere enthusiasm, deep gratitude, and profound admiration that we share with you our new five-year strategic plan.

The past few years have been tumultuous for our community. We have experienced changes not only to education, but to life as we once knew it. We have navigated shifts in how we define what it means to teach, to learn, and to provide quality student support. And we have felt the pain, fear, and loss of a public health crisis that hit the hardest among families like ours that have too often been left to fend for themselves.

Through those jarring transitions, the Village has endured. Now, with this strategic plan, we are prepared to Reimagine the Village so that it thrives in the years ahead. This plan is the product of extensive stakeholder engagement that has illuminated how we can reaffirm the core elements of what makes us unique while charting a new course for us to realize our full potential. We have identified five strategic priorities — Embodying Newark Excellence, Promoting Academic Achievement, Nurturing Positive Climate, Cultivating Powerful Partnerships, and Driving Toward Sustainability — that will guide us as we continue to grow and evolve.

We are excited to bring this plan to life. Thank you for your engagement and partnership, as it genuinely takes a Village.

Onward!

Angela Mincy
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