



UNION TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS

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Dear Tiger Family,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to give the community a brief update. The next Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 19th at 6:30pm. The meeting will be an in-person meeting and will be held at Union Township Elementary School. Due to current restrictions, our room capacity will be limited to 25 people (including members of the Board of Education). Therefore, we will be offering a streaming option to this meeting via Zoom.

The streaming option to the BOE meeting will be "view only". Public comments will be accepted from community members who are physically in attendance. If you are unable to attend, you may send your comment or question prior to the meeting using the following [link](#). The link for the "view only" streaming option will be posted on our website's homepage approximately one hour prior to the meeting.

Additionally, the Board of Education and Administration continue to discuss potential strategies to expand upon the number of in-person students. Our current goal is to offer all of our middle school students the opportunity to return to in-person instruction on a daily basis. We hope to have an announcement in the near future.

As a reminder, we are still asking our community members to consider becoming a substitute teacher for the District. The District, like much of the state, has faced a substitute shortage over the last few years. In light of the current COVID regulations this shortage may have an impact on instruction if we are unable to cover classrooms on a particular day. The rate of pay for substitute teachers is \$95 per day. Once a substitute teacher works 20 days in a school year they receive a one time \$200 stipend and the rate increases to \$105 per day. For the 2020-2021 school year, we are now including a reimbursement for fingerprinting and substitute certificates for any new substitute teachers once they have worked 3 days in the district. Substitute teachers are required to have a valid teaching certificate or a substitute certificate. The minimum requirements for obtaining a substitute teaching certificate are official transcripts supporting a minimum of 60 college credits from a regionally accredited college. If you have additional questions or if you are interested in becoming a substitute teacher, please contact hr@uniontwpschool.org.

Yours in education,

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