## **Hutchinson Public Schools**

Excellence in Academics, Activities, and Character

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Dear Hutchinson Middle School Parents:

The start of school is only a few weeks away and we are very excited to have all in-person learning at HMS. The new year will provide an opportunity to cultivate a learning environment where all students feel connected, safe, happy, accepted and respected. We will focus on building community together while updating you on any health and safety protocols to keep everyone safe. We are committed to high academic expectations and we are looking forward to the new start.

I would like to share exciting news about our new staff:

-Jennifer Telecky	Assistant Principal
-Valerie Huepenbecker	Counselor
-Allison Feuerborn	Attendance Secretary
-Aaron Brown	7 & 8 Social Studies
-Kelsey Clobes	6th Special Education
-Tim Ellefson	6 & 7 Mathematics
-Amanda Zakrewski	Reading 6/Language Arts 7
-Chad Harlander	REACH Coordinator

I highly encourage you to view the information on the Hutchinson Public School website under the headline Safe Learning. The site is continually updated with new information. We will utilize the following for communicating with parents: Infinite Campus Parent Portal-Messenger, email, we also post daily announcements on the Hutchinson Middle School website.

Open House (in-person) will be on Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00 PM. Your child's schedule will be available online (tiger/parent portal) starting on Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:30PM. Have your child log into Infinite Campus to view it. We will be using hallway lockers this year and we will allow students to carry their backpack/bag to each class. Students may check out a padlock for their locker, it will not be required to have a lock, only optional. If your student would like a lock for their locker, please have them see the office staff. At Open House, have your child bring their school supplies to leave in their locker as well as their band instrument to drop off in the band room. You will be able to purchase a Planner for \$5.00. We are committed to creating a school that knows no limits to the academic success of each student. We have an opportunity to re-engage students with in-person learning. We will rise to the challenge of what *great educators do at Hutchinson Middle School*.

Enjoy the remainder of the summer. We are looking forward to working with your son/daughter. Please call our office if you have any questions. Thank-you for all you do as parents.

Sincerely, Brenda Vatthauer, Principal