

Regional School Unit 57

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RSU 57 prepares students for success in an ever-changing world.

Dear RSU 57 Families and Community Members,

Welcome back to school! We have had a great start to the year, marked by several exciting highlights. At our opening Keynote for staff, we hosted students and families who shared positive school experiences from across our district, bringing to life 'snapshots of good' to illustrate the positive contributions of our dedicated faculty and staff. These personal stories set a meaningful and inspiring tone for the year ahead, and we are so grateful for all those who were willing to participate. Additionally, our open house events at each of our schools were exceptionally well attended, a true reflection of the partnership and enthusiasm that defines our RSU 57 community. Our hallways, classrooms, and athletic fields are bursting with energy for what is sure to be a fantastic fall.

As we begin a new school year, I want to extend my sincerest appreciation for your continued support of our students, staff, and schools. This week, our staff have been thrilled to welcome 2,788 new and returning learners into our schools and classrooms. The excitement and promise of the year ahead could be felt throughout each building in these first two days. **Today, our Pre-K and Kindergarten students, along with those in grades 10-12, began their first day of the 2026-2027 school year. As we ease into the new routines, we ask for your patience with our transportation staff. Our youngest learners, particularly our pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students as young as three years old, are getting accustomed to boarding and exiting school buses and vehicles safely. We anticipate that elementary bus runs may be slightly delayed over the next few days as we assist these students during this transition. Your cooperation and understanding are essential to ensuring a smooth and safe experience for everyone.**

As we look to the months to come, I encourage each of you to stay connected and engaged in your child's education. Whether through volunteering, maintaining close communication with teachers and support staff, or attending the many events and activities our students are involved in, your involvement plays a critical role in their success. It is through these collective efforts that we will create a rich and supportive environment where every student can thrive.

Thank you once again for your unwavering commitment to our schools. Together, we will make this a successful and enriching year for all.

With gratitude,

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