

HORTONVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Representative Murphy,

I hope you are well. I appreciated our phone conversation last week. Thank you for taking the time to speak with me and again, I appreciate your leadership in the state of Wisconsin as well as your support of the Hortonville Area School District. I wanted to reach out and communicate some of the items I am most proud of from the school district and our community during the school closure.

We continue to serve breakfast and lunch to every person in the school district 18 years of age and under. This service has been open to private school students, HASD public school students and students who reside in the school district and attend a different school. Food service staff report to work each day to prepare food and answer calls to have a meal count for the day. Transportation delivers meals to over 10 community sites for parents and families. Our social workers partner with local organizations to provide other necessary items to families that have needs beyond food. I am proud to say that our school district partners with Catalpa Health, Samaritan Counseling and NAMI of the Fox Valley to provide our students mental health therapy. These organizations are invaluable partners. We continue to offer our students in need mental health therapy through these partnerships.

We have not furloughed or laid off a single employee. We have over 500 employees in the Hortonville Area School District who contribute to the local economy. Each employee is working to provide online education, social and emotional support, tutoring, and wellness checks during this time. Our district is no different than the many other districts throughout Wisconsin that faced connectivity and technology gaps with families. However, we invested in internet mi-fi units and additional technology to ensure every child has access to the curriculum. We trained professional staff in two days on a singular academic platform to instruct our children. We have employees serving in an IT Help Center to provide direct, real-time assistance to students and parents struggling with technical issues.

I am proud to be a member of the Hortonville Area School District Community. I am proud that I get to serve the children of this community in partnership with our parents and employees. I am a proud Polar Bear and our employees will continue to strive to meet the needs of every student. My two children are educated by exemplary instructors. We will learn from our mistakes because we are learning each day, but we are committed to educating every student to the highest level. Thank you, Representative Murphy for your leadership in Wisconsin.

Sincerely,



Todd Timm
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HASD Mission Statement: *Our community ensures that every student learns at the highest level.*