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## Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The Newell School District will be having a public meeting on Monday September 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the multipurpose room. The public meeting will be entitled, "Bringing Pride Back to Newell" and it will be a presentation in response to Newell School District being identified as a Comprehensive Support and Improvement school during the 2022-2023 school year. All patrons of the Newell School District are invited to this meeting to hear about the school improvement process and actions the Newell School District has taken since the designation last year.

Newell School District was identified as a comprehensive support and improvement school during the 2022-2023 school year due to its graduation rate during the 2021-2022 school year. The designation was given to the Newell School District based on criteria from Every Student Succeeds Act. During the 2022-2023 school year, a leadership team composed of administrators, teachers, and support staff in the high school met to discuss and create a school improvement plan. The leadership team was aided by two facilitators that were assigned to the Newell School District from the South Dakota Department of Education. The facilitators came to the Newell School District to observe students and staff and helped in creating a school improvement plan.

During the public meeting, we will present our school improvement plan to the public along with action steps to improve our school district. Our goal for this presentation is to inform our patrons on the school improvement process along with bringing pride back into our school district. We would appreciate your attendance at the meeting.

Sincerely,

Andrew Fergen

Superintendent

Newell School District