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Dear Panther Families,

I hope this letter finds you well and that you and your family had a wonderful summer. As we begin this 2023/2024 school year tomorrow – Tuesday, August 29th, I want to extend both a warm welcome and welcome back to our returning families and those new to our school community.

Our District is committed to providing a safe and nurturing learning environment where every student can thrive. The majority of our classrooms have been updated through much-needed construction renovations and many classrooms now also have new furniture and updated technology for our students and staff. Additionally, we have re-imagined our pre-K through 12th Grade (& Early College) configuration and invested in new academic and social & emotional learning programs to give our students more opportunities to explore their interests and develop new skills. All of these changes (and more to come throughout this school year and next summer) have the potential to positively impact the learning experience for our students and help prepare them for success in the future.

Your involvement is also crucial to a successful school experience for your student(s). A genuine partnership between parents and school staff is an important factor in establishing a supportive learning environment that fosters academic achievement and personal growth. We encourage all our parents to stay involved in their child/children's education by attending parent-teacher conferences, volunteering in the classroom or school where opportunities exist, and staying informed about their student's /students' progress. Parents (and guardians) can help identify areas where their child/children may need extra support, and they can work with school staff to develop strategies to address these needs. Having everyone on the same page requires effective communication, mutual respect, and a shared understanding of the goals and objectives. With these elements in place, we can overcome any challenges that may arise, and our students can continue to grow and achieve great things.

To stay connected, please save the following websites and programs in your cell phone or web browser.

- District's Website: <https://www.redfordu.k12.mi.us>
(To see the individual schools' web pages from the link above, click on "Schools".)
- District's Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/redford.union.schools>

A PIN and password are required for the following Parent Connect Junior High/High School programs; for the **Durham Bus Tracker**, you must register. Please contact one of the school's secretaries if you need assistance with accessing any of these school-to-home connection points.

- Parent Connect (Junior High School): <https://www.redfordu.k12.mi.us/parents/>
(The types of information available to view are Attendance, Behavior, Marks/Grades, Cafeteria Information, Assignment Information, Schedule, School & Classroom News, and Transcript Information)
- Parent Connect (High School): <https://www.redfordu.k12.mi.us/parents/>
(The types of information available to view are Attendance, Behavior, Marks/Grades, Cafeteria Information, Assignment Information, Schedule, School & Classroom News, and GPA/Transcript Information.)
- Durham Bus Tracker <https://m2.durhambustracker.com/secure/login>

Also, **please make sure that your current contact number and email are on file** at your child/children's school.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our dedicated building administrators and staff members. You can also contact me at (313) 242-6002. We look forward to working with you and your child/children to make 2023/2024 a successful and enjoyable school year.

Stay Panther Strong!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jasen Witt". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jasen Witt
Superintendent
Title IX Coordinator