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Parents, Staff, and Friends of the Hartford Union High School District,

Happy 2023 Hartford Union High School Staff and Families! As we begin the second semester, we are grateful for the opportunities and possibilities that await our students as they begin a number of new courses here at the start of the third term. Student achievement and success result from high levels of engagement, and we thank you for your partnership in assuring our students are ready to learn each day!

Following is a brief summary of the regularly scheduled school board meeting held on January 16:

- Communications Update
 - Communications/Marketing Specialist, and proud HUHS alum, Ms. Kayla Davis shared what she has been focused on since starting in her position back in September:
 - The rollout of the new district website and app
 - Developed a Staff Spotlight campaign
 - Reinvented the district's weekly newsletter
 - Created an alumni Facebook group
- Budget Update
 - Director of Business Services Ms. Brenda Arnett provided an update on what we know at this point regarding the 2023-25 state budget and its impact to public schools
 - State funding for public education has not kept up with inflation
 - The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has requested \$2.5 billion in its 2023-25 biennial budget submission to the Wisconsin Department of Administration
 - The DPI requests \$10.8 million beginning in 2025 to support future educators while completing a preparation program

As mentioned above, we are looking to continue to build connections with our HUHS alumni, and invite our past graduates to join our alumni Facebook group. Please visit https://www.facebook.com/groups/436629278549073 to join!

Mark your calendars for the annual Showcase event on February 8.

Wishing all of you the best in 2023!

Go Orioles!

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