



UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Member of the Garrison Education Community,

For almost a year, the Garrison Board of Education has been working to launch a long-range planning process for the district that will result in a focused and aligned community vision of student success beyond school. With that work finally underway, the first step is to build a consensus regarding the critical skills and attributes we believe are most essential to future student accomplishment and to then use them to guide our planning and decision making.

To involve as many constituents as possible in this process, we would like to invite you to contribute your thoughts to a community conversation on this topic. Using a platform called Thoughtexchange, you will have the opportunity to share your thoughts, then read those of other participants, and then to assign "stars" (from a low of 1 to a high of 5) to show how important each idea is to you. Finally, you will also have a chance to discover the top-rated thoughts in the conversation and visit the site often and add more comments throughout the process. The Strategic Coherence Planning team will use the results of this Thoughtexchange to inform a refining of how the district's foundational documents define our working model of student success.

Notes about this process:

1. It could take you as little as 5 - 10 minutes to participate.
2. You can complete questions at your own pace and come back to review your answers at any time.

If you know someone else who would like to participate, you can forward this invitation.

Please click HERE <https://my.thoughtexchange.com/265817904> to participate.

We hope that you will contribute to this interactive experience to help us ensure that we are reflecting the values and aspirations of our entire community while providing outstanding learning opportunities for our students. Thank you for taking the time to share what is important to you.

Sincerely,

Carl Albano

Superintendent, Garrison Union Free School District