DSBN STRATEGIC PROCESS



September 14, 2022

Dear Wolfpack Students and Families:

We're planning for your future. And we need your input so we can serve you as best as we can.

Soon, we will be developing a brand new Strategic Plan. This Strategic Plan will guide everything the DSBN does for the next five years – including the goals we set out to achieve, the programs we create, and how we will support DSBN students. It will define what the DSBN represents, what we believe in, and what we value. It will set the foundation of what we focus on as a school board, directly impacting the lives of every person who is part of our school communities across Niagara.

But – this plan is about you. Our goal is to create a Strategic Plan that best serves you, and that's why we need to hear from you.

Between September 14th and 28th, all DSBN secondary students will be voluntarily participating in the **Ignite Survey** in their classrooms. They will be asked to share their thoughts about two open-ended questions:

What has helped you grow most as a learner and as an individual at your school? Thinking towards the future, what can the DSBN do that will have the greatest impact on your success and well-being?

Students, you will not be asked to share any personal information, and any thoughts shared will be anonymous. The survey is voluntary, and if you prefer not to participate, please let me know immediately.

And to our families – your thoughts, knowledge and experiences are also an important part of developing our new strategic plan.

All DSBN parents and families are invited to take the survey from Wednesday, September 14 to Wednesday, September 28. You will also be asked to share your thoughts in response to two open-ended questions. It will take about five minutes. The thoughts you share will be anonymous as well.

If you have any questions, please reach out to me or visit our **Ignite Survey** website: <u>www.dsbn.org/ignite</u>. Thank you in advance for telling us what you think our future should focus on. It will inform the direction we take and the decisions we make. It will make a difference.

Sincerely,

Mat Miller (he/him) Principal, WNSS