



## *Hamtramck Public Schools*

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### **Dear HPS Families,**

Welcome back! I hope you had a chance to relax and recharge over the summer. We're excited to begin another school year together.

This year, the district will be focusing on three big initiatives—strategic planning, district configuration, and a ten-year capital plan—to help shape the future of Hamtramck Public Schools. Your voices will play an important role in this work.

Over the summer, we welcomed **Variety FoodService** as our new food service partner, and we completed several construction projects, including HVAC upgrades, new doors, bathroom renovations, and an elevator replacement. These updates will make our schools safer, healthier, and better for learning.

As always, I want to remind you of our belief: **We Are Better Together**. By working side by side, we can create the best opportunities for our students and make Hamtramck Public Schools the first choice for families.

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