

## Irvington UFSD Seeks Volunteers for Strategic Planning Focus Groups

December 15, 2022

Dear Irvington School Community,

I am excited to announce the launch of Irvington UFSD's strategic planning process to determine a common vision and direction for the future of our schools. I am reaching out to let you know how you can participate in this important process.

As we launch this strategic planning process, stakeholder focus groups will be held on January 11th & 12th, 2023 to gather input from representatives of our community. You are invited to submit your name to participate in one of these focus group sessions. Each session will be composed of approximately 20 individuals who hold similar community roles: parents, community members, students, staff members, etc. Should interest exceed the enrollment capacity, names will be randomly selected. Please note that all school community members will have the opportunity to provide input into the process through a District-wide survey available in a later phase of this process.

Focus groups will be conducted by Hazard, Young, Attea and Associates (HYA), our partner in the strategic planning process. During the session, you will be asked for your thoughts about community values, District strengths and challenges, significant issues you would like the District to address in the next three to five years, and your vision for the future of our school district.

Your participation is very important. Feedback gathered in focus group sessions will be used to guide the remainder of the process and be incorporated in our strategic plan. If you are interested in participating in a focus group, please complete the form linked here by no later than Thursday, December 22nd. If you would rather communicate your interest personally, please feel free to contact Donna Friedlander at (914) 591-8501. The District will send a follow-up communication to everyone who volunteered to participate.

Many thanks,

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