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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Our commitment to our students' academic success and behavioral health and wellness remains unwavering. We have made consistent improvements in student achievement, and this year, we are placing an even greater emphasis on attendance, as well as the overall climate and culture within our schools. To aid in this effort, Detroit Public Schools Community District will continue providing behavioral health and wellness support to our students during the 2024-2025 school year by offering resources to support their social-emotional needs. Wellness support will be offered to all students who need and/or desire them through proactive measures that enhance overall well-being, as well as responsive services that increase understanding of emotions and thoughts, and how they influence resulting actions and overall functioning.

To help identify students who may benefit from behavioral health support services, all schools will administer a brief wellness survey to 3rd to 12th grade students at the beginning of the school year and two very brief check-in surveys throughout the year. Survey responses will be used to connect students with appropriate resources, which may include wellness-focused conversations with health professionals (such as a School Social Worker, School Counselor and/or Behavioral Health Provider).

The well-being of our students is still a top priority. If you do not want your child to participate in the school wellness surveys, then please opt out within three days of receiving this letter by calling your school's office or emailing your school's Principal with the subject line "UWS 24-25 Opt-Out Request".

Should you have questions or concerns about the wellness survey, please contact your child's school principal.

Sincerely,

Dr. Nikolai Vitti
Superintendent of Schools
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