

## **Huntingdon Area School District**

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

The Huntingdon Area School District's Mission is to engage all stakeholders to create a nurturing learning environment, focused on achievement and growth, social and emotional wellness, and preparation for varied career pathways. For that reason we will be using a tool called PASS to survey all students' wellness.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student(s) will be participating in a brief universal screener to assist us in addressing the well-being of our students at their assigned school sometime between April 22nd and May 10th, 2024. This is a follow-up to the same screener that was used during the Fall of 2023. With a continued commitment to addressing social and emotional barriers to learning, we are asking that all students enrolled in our school complete the Pupil Attitudes to Self and School (PASS) survey.

Research-based, PASS provides teachers with highly reliable and valid information into how they feel about themselves as a learner and how they feel about school. PASS allows schools to detect possible barriers to student learning, including issues around confidence, resilience, motivation, and concentration. The PASS survey will allow our school to proactively address non-academic barriers to learning, which can compromise the wellbeing and academic success of our students. Please be assured that student confidentiality will be strictly protected. The information will assist the district in providing support and services to students.

If you have questions or wish to discuss the tool further, please contact your building principal listed below.

Sincerely, Travis R. Lee, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Huntingdon Area School District

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