Dear Members of the PSD Community,

We hope that everyone has had a great opening to the 2021-22 school year. All of us in the PSD are so happy to be able to see our buildings filled with students once again!

This fall, Portsmouth residents will be asked to vote on an important ballot question that would provide financing for a series of health and safety improvements in all four of our school facilities.

The referendum on Tuesday, November 2, will ask voters to consider approving a $21.44 million bond to finance the facilities projects. If residents approve the financing, Portsmouth has a time-limited opportunity to receive 40% reimbursement from the State – about $8.6 million to offset the costs.

You will receive more information about this important issue in the coming weeks. Please visit this link on our PSD website for more information about the projects and upcoming bond vote.

In order to share additional information with families and staff, myself and other representatives of the PSD will be available at all upcoming Open Houses and Parent Teacher Group meetings as well as other community events. We welcome your questions and comments about the proposed projects.

Melville Elementary School:
Wednesday, September 22nd - Open House
Wednesday, October 13th - Parent Teacher Group Meeting

Hathaway Elementary School:
Wednesday, September 15th - Parent Teacher Group Meeting
Thursday, September 23rd - Open House

Portsmouth Middle School:
Wednesday, September 29th - Open House (Grades 5 & 7)
Thursday, September 30th Open House (Grades 6 & 8)
Thursday, October 7th - Parent Teacher Group Meeting

Portsmouth High School:
Thursday, September 16th - Open House
Thursday, October 7th Parent Teacher Group Meeting

Please mark your calendars, and plan to join us for these important conversations!

Tom Kenworthy

Superintendent