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Dear Happy Valley Families and Students,

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve in the Happy Valley School District for the past four years. As I begin my fifth year in this fine district, I will serve in the role of Superintendent/Principal. Mrs. Maki, Principal of our primary school, and I will strive to serve our students and families with an intentional plan for student success. We will support our students as they engage in academic achievement, social and emotional learning, and build a sense of belonging in our school community. Working alongside our amazing parents, we will continue to focus on positive relationships within our school community. We are very optimistic about what the future holds for our students. We will continue to encourage and guide them in their academic adventure. We can’t wait to see our Happy Valley students!

Throughout my career in education, I have thoroughly enjoyed working with students of all ages as they increase their knowledge and flourish as citizens. As an instructional leader, it is important to support the teachers and staff at our schools so they are able to inspire learning and progress for all students of Happy Valley Schools. Our teachers and staff will continue to positively impact our students; they have huge hearts and purposeful plans for the school year. During the past year, we have proven that together, we can overcome challenges, see the best in each other, and build resilience in our students. I have visited with many teachers and staff this summer; they are optimistic about our plans for the school year. We are dedicated to the students and families we serve and we hope our students are as excited as we are about the possibilities this school-year.

This year, we will have four new teachers at the primary school and four at the elementary school. We are pleased to invite them to join such a high caliber staff of educators and we welcome them to the Happy Valley School Community. As our staff prepares for the return to school, we wish our students and families enjoyment in the last days of summer. We recognize that there may be challenges ahead and, as always, we will take a positive approach to solving problems. We will continue to strive for excellence and seek your input along the way in our district-wide effort to serve our students and help them succeed every day!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Craig, Superintendent/Principal

Happy Valley Union School District

**Happy Valley Schools Upcoming Events**

| **School(s)** | **Date** | **Time** | **Event Description**  |
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| Primary School Ice Cream Social  | 8/16 | 5:00-6:00 | We welcome you to a drive-through ice cream social on Monday evening. We will share important information with students and parents.  |
| Elementary School Ice Cream Social  | 8/16 | 6:00-7:00 | We hold our ice cream socials at different times so all students who have siblings can make it to school to see staff at both sites. HVIPL students are welcome to attend either drive through event.  |
| HVP School Starts  | 8/18 | 8:00 | See schedule below |
| HVE School Starts | 8/18 | 7:50 | See schedule below |
| HVE Back to School Night | 8/31 | 6:00-7:00 | In person Back to School Night |
| HVP Back to School Night | 9/3 | 6:00-7:00 | In person Back to School Night |

**Back to School Night**

We are anticipating holding Back to School Night in-person this year. We are so excited to welcome you Back to School to celebrate the beginning of a great year.

**Happy Valley Independent Personalized Learning Program**

The Happy Valley Union Elementary School will offer a long-term independent study option for those students who will not be returning to face-to-face instruction.

**New Aeries Parent Portal**

You will be receiving a letter that will walk you through the steps of how to use the Aeries Portal. In the Aeries Portal you will have access to tools to help you support your child’s educational experience and keep you connected to the school community. **All enrollment will be done online this year.**  You can find the following tools in the Aeries Portal:

1. Access to grades (grades 4-8)
2. Parent Square (replacing Remind) for ongoing communication regarding school events, emergency information, regular communication with the school and teachers
3. [Student Enrollment](https://www.hvusd.net/domain/2121) will begin the week of August 9-13

This one-stop portal is also used by the high schools, so we hope it will be helpful for years to come.

**Project SHARE**

Project SHARE will be open after school this year. Enrollment packets are available at the school office. You can find the enrollment form on our website or on the Project SHARE website.

**Regular Day School Hours**

Primary School: 8:00-2:10

Elementary School: 7:55-2:30

**Minimum Day Mondays**

Primary School: 8:00-1:10

Elementary School: 7:55-1:30

**Morning Drop-off will take place at the same locations as last year at both schools**

Primary School: No earlier that 7:30

Elementary School: No earlier that 7:25

Buses will arrive at similar times

will be communicated

**Communication During Challenging Times or During Emergencies**

1. We will provide a safe, healthy, happy learning experience for all students
2. We will keep Happy Valley families and our school community well informed
3. We will communicate as soon as possible with the most accurate information available
4. You may refer to the Aeries Portal (located on our website under the “For Parents” tab for access to our communication portal

**The resources below will be available on our website** [**“For Parents” tab**](https://www.hvusd.net/domain/2086) **no later than August 16:**

* Class Schedules
* Bus Schedules
* Parent pick up times for both schools

School starts August 18! We can’t wait to see you! If you have any questions, please feel free to give us a call at the numbers listed below.

Kind regards,

Shelly Craig, Superintendent/Principal

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