WILMOT UNION HIGH SCHOOL

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"Mapping a Vision for Wilmot's Future!"



Wilmot, WI 3/14/2011-- It is a time of transition and forward movement at Wilmot Union High School! This March we hired our new Superintendent of Schools and started the process of mapping a vision for our future, Wilmot staff are meeting to create a new mission statement. Last fall the Board of Education formed The Academic Affairs Committee by public invitation to

district stakeholders. The primary purpose of the committee is to be a resource to the Board and Administration in regards to academics at Wilmot. Their first task: facilitate the creation of the guiding vision for the district for the next five years!

The committee is composed of seven community members, two district staff, and one board member. They have been meeting monthly since the fall of 2010 to help develop the process that all district stakeholders can participate in to create the vision. Their chief request: guide WIImot to greatness! "They are the most dedicated group of volunteers I have worked with in a long while," says Brenda Turner, Wilmot's Director of Curriculum and Instruction, "They sincerely want this to be a collaborative process with everyone that has a stake in the success of the high school: students, staff, taxpayers, parents, business owners and feeder school communities. They are working as hard as they can so that it will be just that!"

The vision process is about to launch and the committee is looking for district stakeholders to participate in two events: a District Assessment Survey, and a Vision Workshop taking place over two evenings. The survey is short, easy to do, and can be taken online or print. It will give the committee and Vision Workshop participants an honest assessment of the current perceptions of the district. For more information on the survey, visit Wilmot High School's website, <u>www.wilmothighschool.com</u> or email the committee, <u>academic.affairs.wuhs@gmail.com</u>.

The Vision Workshop, held on May 24 and June 1, from 6-8 p.m. each evening, will be used to define what Wilmot will look like in five years through the process of creating Vision Statements in five key areas. If you would like more information about the workshop, please call Brenda Turner at the High School. If you would like to participate in the workshop, call the school or register online by visiting <u>goo.gl/RUx1L</u>.

"I'm excited about this, this is going to be really good," volunteered a community member as she was leaving the last Academic Affairs meeting.

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The District Board and Administration are excited also. They want to implement a culture and community at Wilmot that values everyone and that recognizes that Wilmot cannot become a great district without collaboration, teamwork, recognition, support and participation from every stakeholder!

In light of recent political events in the State, this process is even more important. The students, staff, and community are what matter. They are key to the District's success!

For additional information or a sample copy of the invitation, Contact:

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- Assessment Survey, launched soon, see district website for more details, <u>www.wilmothighschool.com</u> or email the Academic Affairs Committee at <u>academic.affairs.wuhs@gmail.com</u>.
- Vision Workshop, May 24 and June 1, 6-8 p.m.. To register go online (goo.gl/RUx1L) or call the school, (262) 862-2351 x318.

Wilmot Union High School is located in unincorporated Wilmot, Kenosha County, Wisconsin. Our enrollment hovers around 1,200 students who come from 6 different communities. We are one of the top districts in our conference according to WiDPI District Performance Reports on Achievements Tests for the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 school years. Wilmot UHS is also a leader in the area when it comes to *Project Lead The Way* (a prestigious program for students interested in engineering), and partnerships with Gateway Technical College and local University of Wisconsin campuses where students can earn college credit or certificates in technical, education and medical fields.

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Mapping a Vision for OUR Future!

VISION WORKSHOP

Who should participate? ALL Community Stakeholders (parents, taxpayers, students, WUHS alumni, businesses, community leaders, community organizations, teachers, administrators, staff, school board members...)

Why should I participate? To play a part in creating a vision for WUHS that will drive a 5-year plan, ultimately impacting our entire community

How can I contribute? There are two ways to contribute to this process:

Active participation in a multi-evening workshop held at the high school May 24th, and June 1st 6-8PM

OR

Review vision statement work in progress and provide feedback via a blog linked to the WUHS website-Paper copies will be available upon request **June 2nd thru June 16th**

Hosted by the Wilmot Union High School Academic Affairs Committee academic.affairs.wuhs@gmail.com

Register by: April 4TH

PEOPLE

(1) On-line: goo.gl/RUx1L

(2) Phone: (262) 862-2351 x318 Deb Border

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Invest in the future of your community... Secure your spot TODAY!!!

