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Dear Merrimack Middle & High School Families,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well! I am reaching out to let you know about an upcoming opportunity for our middle and high school students to participate in the New Hampshire Gallup Student Poll.

Gallup has a long history of providing analytics to organizations around the world, and it launched the Gallup Student Poll in 2009. The New Hampshire Student Gallup Poll was developed through a collaboration between Gallup, the New Hampshire Learning Initiative, and a state-wide work-based learning advisory group. The NH Student Gallup Poll will be administered in the Granite State for three-years (2023, 2024, 2025) in an effort to collect longitudinal data that correlates the connection between student participation in career-connected learning opportunities offered through schools and increased hopefulness about their future and engagement at school.

The NH Student Gallup Poll is a brief, online, 24-item survey that is free, anonymous, and voluntary, and takes about 10 minutes to complete. MSD students in Grade 7-12 will be offered the opportunity to participate in the poll. Individual student responses are not shared and only overall grade, school, and district results will be shared with our school community. To be sure, students do not have to participate in the NH Student Gallup Poll if they do not want to, and they can skip any items they do not wish to answer. There are no consequences or needed follow-up if your student does not participate. The survey items are available for your review [at this link](#), as well as a [FAQ sheet](#).

Participation in this poll will provide us with timely information as we commence a myriad of initiatives in the MSD including competency-based learning, implementing a new suite of assessment measures, developing our Multi-Tiered System of Support for Behavioral Health and Wellness (MTSS-B), updating, revising, and aligning our curriculum, and bringing on a new Director of Extended Learning Opportunities and Pathways to Graduation at Merrimack High School. We appreciate your support as we work to ensure high quality learning opportunities that best meet the needs of our students. Should you have any questions or concerns about our participation in the NH Student Gallup Poll, please feel encouraged to reach out to me.

Sincerely,

Amy Doyle
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