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| | Holliston Public Schools | | --- | | **Dear Holliston Community:**  **As we have seen, 2020 is anything but predictable or normal.  Four and half months ago, right after the pandemic forced us to close schools, we launched an unanticipated search for an interim superintendent for the 2020-2021 school year. We hired Dr. Susan Kustka to fill that role.  We shared then that we would begin a search in early fall (i.e. right about now) for a permanent superintendent. The goal was to establish a search committee of School Committee members, Holliston residents, and educators so that we could have a permanent superintendent in place by July 1, 2021.**  **Last spring, we had hoped that we would be further along in containing the virus and closer to resuming a school year that resembles pre-COVID times. Obviously, that’s not our current reality. We have two choices: 1) proceed with the search process at the risk of losing our Interim Superintendent to competing districts; or 2) offer a contract extension to our Interim Superintendent. The School Committee is in the process of choosing between these two options.**  **We are aware of multiple districts in our immediate area (Dover-Sherborn, Wayland, Millis, and Medway) in addition to others in eastern Massachusetts that will be looking to hire a superintendent effective July 1, 2021.  We are also aware that stability is vital in a crisis. There are many factors in any important decision like this. So, we are asking the Holliston community -- residents, parents, educators and all school staff -- to please provide feedback to us by OCTOBER 14, so that we can make an informed decision. School Committee welcomes your feedback via this** [**link**](https://forms.gle/E21KaJjHnbi6SPnH6)**, by email, or attendance at virtual or in-person office hours.**  **Office hours: Topic: Superintendent Feedback**   * **In person- outside Coffee Haven; Tuesday, October 13 - 11:30a-12:30p** * **Virtual - Monday, October 12 - 7:30p-8:30p**   **Join Zoom Meeting**  [**https://holliston-k12-ma-us.zoom.us/j/81423906477?pwd=T2pveVdWWmR6bEwxamoyWVh0cWtYdz09**](https://holliston-k12-ma-us.zoom.us/j/81423906477?pwd=T2pveVdWWmR6bEwxamoyWVh0cWtYdz09)  **Meeting ID: 814 2390 6477; Passcode: 103779**  **One tap mobile**  **+13017158592, 81423906477# US (Germantown)**  **+13126266799, 81423906477# US (Chicago)**  **Dial by your location**  **+1 301 715 8592 US (Germantown)**  **+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)**  **+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)**  **+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)**  **+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)**  **+1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)**  **Meeting ID: 814 2390 6477**  **Find your local number:** [**https://holliston-k12-ma-us.zoom.us/u/koeBquiOr**](https://holliston-k12-ma-us.zoom.us/u/koeBquiOr)  **Thank you and stay safe!**  **Stacey M. Raffi, Chair Holliston School Committee** [**raffis@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us**](mailto:raffis@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us)  **Anne Louise Hanstad** [**hanstada@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us**](mailto:hanstada@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us)  **Andy Morton** [**mortona@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us**](mailto:mortona@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us)  **Cynthia Listewnik** [**listewnikc@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us**](mailto:listewnikc@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us)  **Dawn Neborksy** [**neborsky@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us**](mailto:neborsky@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us)  **Lisa Kocian** [**kocianl@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us**](mailto:kocianl@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us)  **Mary Catherine Savard** [**savardmc@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us**](mailto:savardmc@hsc.holliston.k12.ma.us)   |  | | --- | |  | | | It is the policy of the Holliston Public Schools not to discriminate on the basis of race, sex, gender identity, religion, national origin, color, homelessness, sexual orientation, age or disability in its educational programs, services, activities, or employment practices. | | [370 Hollis Street](https://www.google.com/maps/search/370+Hollis+Street+%0A%0A%09%09%09%09%09%09+Holliston,+MA+01746?entry=gmail&source=g)  [Holliston, MA 01746](https://www.google.com/maps/search/370+Hollis+Street+%0A%0A%09%09%09%09%09%09+Holliston,+MA+01746?entry=gmail&source=g) | |