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Dear Families and Staff Members of Rochester International Academy,

I am writing to share some news that may affect the future of Rochester International Academy.

At this evening’s Board of Education meeting, Superintendent Terry Dade is submitting the proposed budget for the 2020-2021 school year, which includes a plan to change the current grade levels served by Rochester International Academy.

The Board of Education is expected to vote on this at a special meeting on May 7 as part of the final budget adoption. While this proposal requires approval from the Board of Education, we felt obligated to inform you now. If this plan is approved, we will work closely with the families of students who are affected by this change to ensure appropriate placement in another District school next year.

It is critical that the District address its serious structural deficit, which is due in part to declining enrollment. This plan helps allocate resources more efficiently to improve teaching and learning. We are certain that this decision is in the best interest of ensuring every District child attends a school that offers the opportunities and supports they need to succeed.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Superintendent