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Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) believes that high levels of student, parent, community and staff engagement contribute to student achievement and well-being. As a result, HWDSB has developed a **Draft Engagement Pillar Policy** for public consultation. This Pillar Policy is an umbrella Policy that will be supported by the development of specific policies related to Student Engagement, Parent Engagement, Community Engagement and Staff Engagement.

I am inviting you to provide comments and feedback on the **Draft Engagement Pillar Policy**. I would also ask that you please share this opportunity with others, so they too may respond with comments, questions or concerns.

To view the **Draft Engagement Pillar Policy**, and to provide comments, please visit HWDSB's website at www.hwdsb.on.ca/feedback.

While we encourage you to respond through our website, comments may also be sent by Canada Post to:

**E-Best
100 Main Street West
Hamilton, ON
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The deadline to provide comments is **4:00 p.m., Thursday, December 15, 2011**. Responses sent by Canada Post must be post marked no later than that date.

Additionally, please note that delegations are welcome by committees of the Board. If you are interested in making a delegation presentation to Trustees, please submit your request addressed to the Director of Education, John Malloy and sent by email to Heather Miller: heather.miller@hwdsb.on.ca.

Public consultation is an important aspect of Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board's commitment to accountability. The Board of Trustees rely on feedback given to them by parents, staff, students and the broader community so they can make well-informed decisions that result in positive outcomes for students.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this invitation to provide feedback, please contact Sharon Stephanian, Superintendent of Leadership & Learning at 905-527-5092, extension 2386 or by email at sharon.stephanian@hwdsb.on.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sharon Stephanian".

Sharon Stephanian
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