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Dear Oldham-Ramona Community,

On April 12, 2021, the Oldham-Ramona and Rutland School Boards both approved (unanimously) a motion to hold a joint school board and community meeting to discuss the possibility of consolidating the two school districts. **This meeting has been set for June 2, 2021, at 7:00PM. It will be held at the DSU Playhouse, in Madison, SD.** This meeting will also be available online for those preferring to participate virtually. A Zoom link will be posted on the Oldham-Ramona School's website and Facebook page with the meeting agenda closer to the meeting date.

The purpose of the meeting will be to present a plan for Oldham-Ramona and Rutland to consolidate, answer questions from the Oldham-Ramona and Rutland district residents, and strive to be honest and transparent regarding the process. While I understand that everyone has their initial feelings towards this plan, I encourage everyone to attend the meeting with an open mind, ask questions, and make an informed decision based on the material presented on June 2.

Mr. Tom Oster (former SD Secretary of Education, school administrator, and current owner of Dakota Education Consulting) will be presenting a majority of information at the June 2 meeting. Each district believes that Mr. Oster will provide an independent point of view, paired with non-biased and factual insights/information.

I, again, encourage everyone to attend this meeting. If there are any questions or concerns prior to June 2, please feel free to give me a call at the school. Thank you for your time and consideration. We hope to see you Wednesday evening, June 2, 2021!

Sincerely,



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