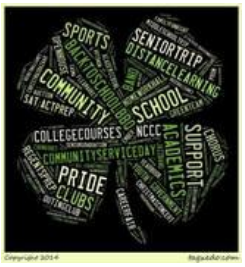
MINERVA CENTRAL SCHOOL NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Monday, February 9th

- Minerva Central School and the Capital Area School Development Association (CASDA) are conducting a Needs Assessment, which will be used to support the development of a strategic plan.
- When complete, this strategic plan will be used to help the school board chart a course for our future.
- In order for this needs assessment to be most useful, we need good participation from community members and parents.
- As part of this Needs Assessment, CASDA is conducting focus groups to gather information from various school constituents to identify strengths and weaknesses of the school district.
- Please mark your calendar for Monday, January 26th and plan to participate in the applicable focus group session.

Focus Group Times

- 1:30 students
- 2:45 faculty and staff
- 4:00 community members
- 5:00 parents
- 6:00 school board



Topics for Discussion For Parents and Community Members

1. What do you believe the District's Vision and Mission should be, and is it in alignment?
2. Identify the District's strengths and weaknesses.
3. What are the elements that will create successful support and passage for the school district? How do you feel the community has supported /or not supported the educational initiatives of the District?
4. How do you feel about sharing /collaborating opportunities with other schools? What might that look like?
5. How does the District communicate with you as parents, and community members? What other ways may be beneficial as well?

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