

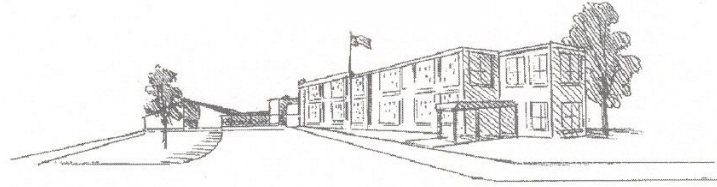
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To All Community Members:

During the excavation phase of the District's Capital Project, on-site engineers discovered the District's existing septic system and leach field is in "imminent failure" and requires timely action. As a result, at the regular meeting of the Hartford Central School District Board of Education, held on Monday, January 8, 2024, the members of the Board of Education authorized an emergency construction, repair, and replacement resolution for the District's septic system and leach field.

There is no immediate health or safety threat, but the septic system is failing and needs to be addressed as soon as possible to ensure the continued health, wellness, and safety of everyone in the District.

By declaring the project "an emergency", the District is able to participate in an expedited construction application process through the New York State Office of Facilities Planning which will allow for the District to begin the work sooner than the traditional Capital Project review procedure. In addition, the District will receive the corresponding Building Aid allocation in the year after construction is completed instead of having to wait for traditional, and the lengthy, amortization process. Due to the required timing of the project, the District plans to use unallocated Fund Balance monies to pay for the costs.

Although this information may be disconcerting, due to the District's financial stewardship there are funds available to cover the costs of the project until the Building Aid reimbursement is issued. As more information is available, we will do our best to provide any additional information.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the District Office at 518-632-5222.

Sincerely,

Andrew Cook
Superintendent
Hartford Central School District