#### Invitation

Graduation and Beyond Steering Committee Meeting Thursday, August 23
4:00 – 5:30 p.m.
Park High School Library
RSVP

### Greetings!

I am Lynne Scalia, the new Park High School principal. I am e-mailing to invite you to a Steering Committee meeting for Graduation Matters (or Graduation and Beyond to capture broader goals). I obtained some of your names from Ted Madden, as you had attended meetings last winter and spring. I have also added others to this list.

A few weeks ago, a small contingent of us attended OPI's Graduation Matters Summit in Helena. We drafted primary goals and objectives, as well as a possible structure in which to work so that whatever courses of action we prioritize might be well aligned.

If you are interested in continuing this work, we have conceptualized that a Steering Committee would be a smaller group that meets monthly to plan and track progress toward goals. We hope to have representatives on the Steering Committee from the variety of stakeholder areas we have identified:

- 1. Park High School
- 2. Livingston School District
- 3. Students
- 4. Families
- 5. Community Organizations
- 6. Businesses
- 7. Community Members

If you want to participate, but not at the Steering Committee level, we also conceptualized the structure of a Stakeholder Group that meets a few times a year, perhaps quarterly, to both assist and direct the work of Steering Committee.

At this time, the agenda is as follows:

# Agenda

- 1. Updates where the group ended last school year, review of Grad Matters Summit, who are we & why are we here
- 2. Review/revise primary goals and objectives
- 3. How does Graduation Matters fit into Livingston School District/Park High School and community initiatives?
- 4. Create structure and purpose of Steering Committee
- 5. What courses of action do we take on immediately and 2012-2013 school year?
- 6. Review timelines/grant cycles
- 7. Set next meetings

Draft – Primary Goal Graduation Matters Livingston believes that each student in the Livingston School District is a unique individual, with a unique history, capabilities, and interests. Recognizing this, we seek to increase the number of young women and men graduating from high school, prepared for successful futures as they pursue college and careers.

# Objectives

- 1. Establish an aligned support network between schools, businesses, families, and community organizations for student success.
- 2. Use subjective and objective data to implement strategies for increasing graduation rates, student achievement levels, and college and career readiness.
- 3. Engage the community in dialogue, reflection, and action to ensure student success.

### **RSVP**

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