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Dear Superintendent Rappold and Honorable School Board Members,

I am excited to inform you that I have accepted a part-time telehealth mental health position with IHS Behavioral Health. This change will benefit the students, the district, and myself. The continuity of care will continue; the only change for the students will be the telehealth link, and there is no longer a cost to the district.

Students can still schedule appointments on Wednesdays, Thursdays, or Fridays. We will continue working with the counselors to identify times that do not interfere with crucial class periods, ensuring minimal disruption to their academics. Confidentiality and professionalism will remain at the highest level, and I am committed to maintaining the quality of care I am known for—such as advocating for students in court and staying in regular communication with counselors to provide consistent support.

Starting September 30th, I will end my contract with the district and begin my position with IHS Behavioral Health. The students, families, counselors, and high school administration are informed of this change. Ongoing therapy for the six students I work with will continue uninterrupted.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve our high school students. It has been an honor to be a part of their journey towards better mental health with the district. Now, the journey will continue with Behavioral Health. If you have any questions or want to discuss this further, I can be contacted via video or phone during a school board meeting or by the following email: kathleen.broere@ihs.gov

Warm regards,

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