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**West Hartford Public Schools' Board of Education
To Propose New Educational Equity Policy**

WEST HARTFORD- On Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 7:00 PM, the WHPS Board of Education will have a first reading of a Draft Educational Equity Policy and wants the public to be informed and engaged throughout and after the process. This policy will touch the lives of all students in the WHPS system. Equity policy is one more step in WHPS' commitment to an equitable community. The Board Meeting is accessible with closed captioning online and via local access channels on a laptop, computer, television or mobile device at https://www.whctv.org/programming/vid_eo-on-demand/board-ed-met.

West Hartford Public Schools (WHPS) is committed to the continuous work to establish and sustain an equitable school community. Members of the Board of Education (BOE) have been working this year to develop an Education Equity Policy for fair and just allocation of resources; to identify and eliminate systemic racism, inequities, and barriers to access and opportunity; and to provide a culturally relevant school environment to ensure positive academic outcomes and social emotional growth for every student. The Educational Equity Policy will guide the actions and practices to uphold the [district's Mission](#) and [Vision for Equity and Anti-Racism](#).

The Board of Education will make two public readings. The first reading will be on Tuesday, May 4th at 7:00 PM during the televised and live streamed Board Meeting. The second

