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To: Dr. Robert Schiffbauer, Board of Education

From: Dr. Phil Pakowski

Date: October 15, 2025

Subject: October Board Report

Curriculum Guide Proposal

The Curriculum Committee met on October 8th to review changes for the 2026-2027 curriculum guide. At that meeting MCHS Department Chairs shared the proposed changes with the Curriculum Committee members present. With the new construction of the CTE wing at Central Campus, there were several new courses proposed in Industrial Tech that will be available for students in the fall. Course descriptions were updated for multiple departments, including Math, Physical Education, World Language and Fine Arts. There were also courses to be archived due to low enrollment or similar courses available.

Fall Testing Update

On Wednesday October 8th we administered the PreACT exam to all Juniors, Sophomores, and Freshman. Teachers and testing coordinators did a great job making adjustments and helping students to successfully complete their exams. I would like to thank the staff at Central and South campuses for their flexibility and support on testing day. I would like to especially thank **Angie Ferro, Matt Shanahan, Sarah Bonnar, Wes Anderson, Meghan Bednarz, Jim Kelly, Kyle Johnson, Wes Anderson, Brandon Thompson, and Amy Hocking.**

Curriculum Revision and Alignment Work

Currently our Science, Math, and English teams are working on revisions and alignment of their curriculum. Science is working on revamping our Biology curriculum to meet the needs of our freshman students, Math is completing their revisions and assessments for Algebra I, also for our freshman students, and English is working on English I and English I Honors to align with the work completed last year on English II and English II Honors. This will complete the fourth year of English curriculum revisions and alignment.