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To: Benjamin 25 Board of Education
Dr. Patrick McGill, Superintendent
From: Dr. Fitzgerald
Date: November 10, 2025
Topic: Learning and Teaching Report

BACKGROUND

I provide the Board of Education, Superintendent, and the community with a report at each regular Board of Education meeting, highlighting District Learning and Teaching activities and information.

SUMMARY

Professional Development

On Friday November 14th, we have a teacher institute day. The morning will start at Evergreen Elementary School where K-5 teachers will be completing Phase 2 of the Savvas Science Training. While this is taking place Dr. Salamone has arranged for an EL presenter, Mallory Fuessle, to present to The Benjamin Staff on Language Rich Classrooms. In the second half of the day the Evergreen Staff will have the EL presentation, while the Benjamin Staff will receive an overview of Magic School by Mrs. DeChristopher and Mrs. Anthony and then will have a staff learning meeting about our School Improvement Plan..

Dr. McGill, Mrs. Smith and I have continued our Learning Walks visiting 2nd grade, middle school Physical Education and Spanish, 5th grade, 1st grade and Evergreen Specials teachers.

Dr. Filas has also arranged for a Health Clinic for our staff the morning of our institute day which will be located at Evergreen Elementary.

Data Preparation

Mrs. Smith and myself have spent time reviewing and planning for our School Improvement Plan and have begun a draft of our data presentation for our strategic planning meetings. This includes going over different data sources such as the Illinois School Report Card, The 5 Essentials Survey, IAR and STAR data for our school district and comparison groups.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

None at this time.