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Superintendent's Report May 15, 2025

Exit Interviews and End of Year Reflections: I have been working to schedule exit interviews with those not returning to Illini Central next year. I have also asked all staff to complete a reflection on the year and I will use this information to guide planning for next year.

Teacher Appreciation Week: We had a great week celebrating our teachers! Thanks to the PTOs, Alliance Bank, Grand Canyon University, and many more for providing food and other treats for our staff.

ROE Technology Cohort Visit: We had the pleasure of hosting the ROE's technology cohort. The group meets monthly, and they meet at different locations throughout the region. They were very impressed with our facilities and our media classroom. They were very impressed with the technology we provide our students and the work our students are capable of doing.

Math Curriculum Visit: On May 1st, we hosted teachers and administrators from Delavan to observe our grade school teachers using their new math curriculum. It was a great way to brag on all that our teachers have done and show off our new addition!

State Police Narcotics Dogs: The Mason City Police Department coordinated the Illinois State Police's narcotic dogs to scan our school. Students were able to practice our "Hold" procedures, and no narcotics were found!

Planning for Next Year: The administration has been working hard planning for next year... scheduling, room assignments, and more. We hope to have a plan in place and communicated to staff before they leave for the summer.

Student Accidents: This has taken a LOT of my time lately. I visited both students in the hospital, and I have coordinated efforts to communicate with the public on ways to help. The track accident was submitted to our catastrophic insurance, so we will likely see a claim returned from them.

Insurance: I have met with our insurance agent and discussed the need to explore options for reducing our insurance costs. I am hopeful that he will be able to provide us with some cost-effective alternatives this summer.



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Health Life Safety Visit: We received our report from the ROE and the State Fire Marshal from their visits. We have some things to change; however, nothing extremely urgent or major. We have a lot of items already completed, and Gene and his staf will work on it in the near future.