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Principal's October Report — 2026–2027 School Year

Student Engagement and School Spirit

- **Connected Seniors Program:** Rusty has approximately 12 students participating in the program, which provides opportunities to support older adults in our community, build meaningful connections, and strengthen students' sense of belonging within our school and community.
- **Spirit Week:** With supervision from Hilary Johnson, our Student Council leaders organized Spirit Week, creating opportunities for students to come together and celebrate school pride.
- **Pirate Pride Mondays:** Brittany introduced Pirate Pride Mondays, which encourages students to wear school colors and/or school logos each Monday to promote school spirit.
- **Senior Sunset:** Shayla Carpenter organized the Senior Sunset, creating a special opportunity for graduating seniors to make lasting memories and celebrate their accomplishments.

Academic Progress and Student Supports

- **i-Ready and Inform Assessments:** Students have completed the i-Ready diagnostic/Inform assessment. The results will help monitor student progress, identify areas of strength and growth.
- **SAT Testing:** Juniors and a few seniors participated in the SATs as part of their postsecondary planning.
- **Student Health Survey:** At the end of the month, students in grades 6, 8, and 11 will have the opportunity to participate in the Student Health Survey to better help us understand and support student well-being.

Staff Professional Development

- **Collaborative Problem Solving:** Heidi Luckman presented on Collaborative Problem Solving, emphasizing how behavior communicates underlying needs, the importance of understanding what may be driving student behavior, and recognizing skills students may be lacking.
- **Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS):** The majority of staff participated in professional development focused on MTSS, reinforcing our commitment to meeting students' diverse academic, behavioral, and social-emotional needs.

Overall Highlights

- This month's activities reflect our continued commitment to building a positive school culture, promoting student engagement, using assessment data to inform, and strengthening staff capacity to support the success and well-being of every student.