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Transportation

This time of year is always refreshing as we begin to get snippets of more favorable weather to come. In the bus world, that means less winter blending of fuel, early startups, and cold weather mechanical issues that always seem to appear. As we look ahead, I am excited to begin training on the upgraded bus routing software we are implementing as well as knowing that the new bus builds are in progress and scheduled to be received in mid to late July.

Extracurricular activity buses are busy currently with Lakeview Volleyball, Scholastic Bowl, Memory Makers Club and a mix of Choir and band events. In addition, the calendar is filling up rapidly with grade levels planning Spring/end of year field trips, bright and exciting times await!

Buildings & Grounds

Our school buildings have been a flurry of activity most nights and even weekends. We have hosted the “Under the Sea” dance, Band Solo Contest, Spartan Showcase, and the upcoming “Panther Palooza” amongst other activities including building rentals to outside organizations. These many activities keep our custodial crews very busy and I thank them for their consistent extra efforts in these busy times. It sure is nice to see so many people being able to enjoy our facilities for all of these different events and reasons.

The upcoming Spring Break period will be another week where many improvements will be made throughout the district. Next up in the Lakeview flooring replacement project will be IMC & Teachers lounge. The IMC will receive brand new carpeting, some upgraded lighting, paint, tech upgrades and a general updated layout and the teachers lounge will get a much needed upgrade from carpeting to tile in the high traffic area shared by all staff. Thank you to Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Wilson and our custodial crews for assisting in making this all happen in one week's time. In addition, the awarded HVAC contractor for the District wide BAS and Lakeview HVAC upgrades will continue behind the scenes with cabling, sensor installations and tech infrastructure upgrades. The work done during our non attendance days goes a long way to alleviating some of the pressures that summer construction timelines naturally provide.