

- TO: Board of Education
- FROM: Dr. Jay Morrow
- RE: Superintendent Report
- DATE: December 2, 2024

Legislative Update: Projections/guesses after the November 5 elections continue:

- On the <u>federal</u> level, guesswork on whether the Department of Education will be dismantled is ongoing. Attached is the amount of federal funds we receive. The Department of Education oversees all funds, with the exception of the federal meals program (Department of Agriculture) and E-rate (Federal Communications Commission).
- On the <u>state</u> level, the veto session is complete, with no significant action, although Tier 2 legislation was filed. The lame-duck session is next, in early January.

Wi-Fi Update: I am happy to report the community Wi-Fi partnership project between UT, EMSD, and Colona School District, is finally complete. EMSD is the administrative agent. The Wi-Fi covers the UT district, with the exception of Hampton, the rural areas of Silvis, Colona, and areas below the hill in Carbon Cliff, extending to Barstow and beyond.

Student BOE Member Liaison: As earlier communicated, we have two great students who will be seated at the BOE meeting on January 13. We need to finalize the process for January 9 and beyond, including physical seating placement and participation guidelines. We will need to finalize these items at the December 9 BOE meeting.

March 2025 BOE meeting: The March Board of Education meeting is scheduled for March 24, the Monday of the second week of spring intersession. This meeting date was set prior to the school calendar being finalized. It is recommended the BOE approve changing the meeting date to Monday, March 10, which would be the second Monday of the month.