# January 2025

## 1. Semester 2

- a. Semester 2 started on January 21st.
- b. Thanks to Mrs. Doyle for all of her work in getting our in-person students to have full schedules.
- 2. January 20th Staff Development
  - a. Staff had the morning to work on grades from quarter 4/semester 1.
  - b. The afternoon was spent working on updating the registration guide for the 25-26 school year course offerings.
- 3. School Year 25-26 and 26-27 Course Offerings
  - a. We are trying something new at the high school to try and offer more student choices in how they meet some of their requirements and options for electives.
  - b. Teachers worked on creating a 4 semester (two-year) schedule of courses that will help students plan their schedules for several years at a time.
  - c. Departments worked on creating new courses to offer more elective options for students.
  - d. Many courses will be offered on an odd/even-year basis to open up space in the schedule for our new courses.
  - e. Some examples are Children's Literature, Technical Math, Marine Biology, Makerspace (CTE), Culinary Nutrition, Yoga/Pilates, and many more.
  - f. The staff did an excellent job of being creative and keeping students front and center of decisions!

## 4. CI Online Academy

- a. Our online courses continue to be a popular option for many of our students.
- b. We currently have 51 students actively participating in 1 or more courses for initial credit and for credit recovery.
- c. Of those 51 students, 11 are enrolled online full-time
- d. The goal is to become a certified online school for the 2026-2027 school year and be able to offer these courses to a broader population of students

## 5. Paraprofessional Week

a. I would like to recognize the dedication of our paraprofessional staff!! They do so much work supporting our students and staff, most of it behind the scenes. Their compassion for students is unmatched and I am thankful for each one of them! Thank you to: Linda Berg, Tori Bush, Geraldine Cronk, Cliff DeFore, Amanda Dezeeuw, Christie Elliott, Angie Johnson, Mike Lensegrav, Emily Schroeder, Patty Sonstegard, and Carol Yeager.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Feb 5th - Unified Basketball at Staples

Feb 12th - Early out - Staff Development

Feb 13th - Unified Winter Carnival at Camp Confidence

Feb 14th - Pepfest Schedule for Sno Dayz Activities

Feb 17th - No School

Feb 19th - ASVAB Test

Feb 21st - 3rd quarter midterm

Respectfully Submitted,

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