Board Report October 24, 2016

1. What's new at CIHS?

- i. **From PBIS**: The grade levels with the least number of Behavior Reports (B.R.) for this past month were: 11th grade (6 B.R.), 9th grade (1 B.R.) and the 8th grade (6 B.R.). The students in these grades will receive a special treat this month as well as the Ranger Way "**You're A Class Act**" banner being hung in their locker bay! The "treat or reward" gets bigger the more times a class wins the monthly contest each semester. In Grades 7-12, there were 37 B.R. for the month. This is less than the 46 Behavior Reports last school year for the month of September. **Our goal is to have 80%** (or higher) of the students in grades 7-12 with zero or one Behavior Report. At the end of the month, we had <u>98.8%</u> of the students in that category.
- ii. On September 21st, C-I H.S.'s Collaborative Worker, Stacey Berent and I met with Doug Houge (County Commissioner who represents Crosby), and three county employees (Ronda Kline, Kara Terry and Lynda Erickson) because Stacey and I are frustrated with the lack of follow through at the county level when a student is found to be truant with the court and he/she keeps on skipping school. I have since forwarded information on what other counties are doing in this area to Ronda Kline. I'm waiting to hear what Crow Wing County will do in response to this information.
- iii. The HAAS Mill (a CNC machine) made its way to the Industrial Technology wing on October 5th. CNC means Computer Numerical Control. This means a computer converts the design produced by Computer Aided Design software (CAD), into numbers. The numbers can be considered to be the coordinates of a graph and they control the movement of the cutter. Representatives from Central Lakes College and Graphic Packaging assisted in the demonstration of the machine for students in Mr. Wood's STEM-9 course (and other Industrial Tech students participated too). This was a "kick off" to Manufacturing Week in our Region.
- iv. Wednesday, October 19, we had our second Early Dismissal Day for staff training. The focus will be on improving technology use and reading strategies. All teachers and paraprofessionals participated in these activities. These changes in the focus in the Early Dismissal Day activities have occurred due to all of the new initiatives in our district.

Respectfully submitted,

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