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**To:** Board of Trustees  
**From:** Rob Sauer  
**Date:** April 4, 2024  
**Re:** Superintendents Board Report

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## Updates

- The legislature wrapped up the legislative session last night. I testified over spring break in the Senate State Affairs Committee on the importance of local control as it relates to the 4-day versus 5-day discussion. There was compromise legislation that included the opportunity for districts to meet the hour requirement (which we currently have), instead of just the day requirement which was put into HB 521 (facilities legislation). If they add to the hours then we will adjust for the grade levels that are close. Here's a sample of our current hours compared to the state minimums as required in Idaho Code. As you can see, we are well over the hour requirement at each grade band.
  - **Required Instructional Time.** Excluding transportation to and from school, lunch periods, passing times, and recess, schools must schedule at least the following instructional times: kindergarten, four hundred fifty (450) hours per year; grades one through three (1-3), eight hundred ten (810) hours per year; grades four through eight (4-8), nine hundred (900) hours per year; and grades nine through twelve (9-12), nine hundred ninety (990) hours per year.
  - **Homedale School District Actual Hours** are as follows. Kindergarten = 918.167; Grades 1-2 = 912.167; Grade 3 = 952.500; Grade 4 = 964.500; Grades 5-8 = 1059.067; Grades 9-11 = 1045.667; Grade 12 = 1021.167.
- I will be scheduling with principals to hold meetings with each of the schools to discuss the legislative session and what the impact might be for our district and staff. Debbie and I will also begin meeting in the next two weeks with the building representatives to work on the negotiation process. We will need to schedule a board budgeting workshop for sometime in May as well.