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CHELSEA HIGH SCHOOL

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To: CSD School Board Members

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Re: Board Report January 2025

Goal: Portrait of a Graduate

- The Sophomore Class hosted 12 Days of Giving the last two weeks in December. Students had the opportunity to celebrate Christmas, Kwanzaa and Hanukkah. The 12 days of activities included a movie during lunch, trivia, hidden elves around the school, family letter making and recipe sharing. Students also enjoyed complimentary candy canes and hot cocoa.

Goal: Engagement

- This year CHS welcomed 10 international students to their student body. (3 from Vietnam, 2 from Brazil, 3 from Spain, 1 from Germany and one from the Netherlands) We interviewed students on their experience and found they are having a positive experience. Although each individual has unique challenges and goals, most are adjusting well to life in the U.S., making new friends, and building strong connections with their host families. Some are feeling the pressure of academic responsibilities, such as preparing for English proficiency tests or completing application essays for college. Many students feel that their teachers are supportive and kind, helping them settle in and perform better in class. As one student shared, "School is good, I just need time to get acclimated," reflecting the common sentiment of needing patience as they adjust to a new educational system. In terms of social life, several students have formed close friendships, with some particularly enjoying their involvement in extracurricular activities like cheerleading. Overall, the group is adapting to their new environment, with most feeling positive about their experiences, relationships, and host families.
- CHS hosted our annual career day for students on December 10th. We had 39 different careers represented for students to rotate and attend 3 sessions of their choice. There was a lot of positive feedback from students. Some of their favorite sessions included: FBI Agent, Financial Advisor, Doctor of Neurology, EMT/ Paramedic. We also had CSD staff present on careers in education, sports broadcasting, graphic arts and cyber security. The counseling staff did an excellent job with the organization of presenters and student scheduling.

Goal: Health and Safety

- In January, the high school emergency response team will participate in Narcan training with the district nurses.