

Memo

To: Board of Trustees
From: Rob Sauer
Date: 12/3/2019
Re: Superintendents Board Report

Legislative Forecast

- I was able to meet with legislators from Canyon County two weeks ago. I will attend another meeting with legislators and superintendents on December 12th. The next meeting will include legislators from around the Treasure Valley. At the first meeting there was mostly supportive discussion about expanding the Career Ladder, Advanced Opportunities and funding all-day kindergarten. At the end of the meeting it was clear that while supportive of the ideas the majority of legislators in attendance are concerned about the state revenues and the probability of a mostly flat budget for the upcoming session. All state agencies, colleges and universities have been asked to hold 1% back to protect the K-12 budget.

Healthy Minds Partnership Technical Assistance Grant

- We were notified last week that HMS and HHS will be awarded this technical assistance grant from the Blue Cross Foundation. Both schools will work with the Blue Cross Foundation during the spring semester for implementation at the start of the 2020 school year. The grant will provide facilitation, coaching and project management as we work through the Healthy Minds Partnership process. This is a collaborative effort between schools, behavioral health providers and the Blue Cross Foundation.