



Executive Director Sarah McGuire Board Report

January 2022

Cooperative-Wide Updates:

- Increased COVID cases and influenza-like symptoms continue to challenge us in keeping safe staffing levels in place. We currently have SUN and ALEX in-person learning. STEP will return to in-person learning on Wednesday, January 26, 2022, and two classrooms in ALEX remain online until Monday, January 31, 2022. Like all Minnesota districts, we are hopeful that our cases have peaked and that we will remain in person.
- We've updated our COVID-19 protocols to include 5-day isolation recommendations. Students and staff returning must be able to wear a mask upon return to school.
- We are grateful to our Educational Assistants as they are celebrated this week for Paraprofessional Recognition Week. CVSEC employs 36 Educational Assistants who assist students in succeeding academically, socially, behaviorally, and emotionally. They collaborate extensively with teachers, support staff, each other, and mental health staff to create positive relationships with students and to provide them with the best support possible. We appreciate our Educational Assistants!
- Preparations for our 2021-2022 budget revision are in process and will be presented to the Board at the February meeting.
- Staffing discussions have begun for our 2022-2023 school year and will be presented to the Board along with a 2022-2023 budget in April.
- Staff professional development on January 14, 2022, included recertification of our Professional Crisis Management (PCM) team.
- Graduation will be held on June 1, 2022, at 11:00 AM for STEP Graduates.