Assistant Superintendent Report to the Board

April 2018

Here are a few highlights happening across the district this month.

Site Visits

Rockridge Stowe

Secondary Schedule Task Force Update

• Dr. Cary has been working with the secondary scheduling task force to complete final recommendations. As part of the Think Kids sessions during the week of April 26, the task force obtained community feedback on the different options as well as answered questions. The final decision on the secondary schedule options will be determined in the Fall of 2018.

School Safety

• I am meeting with a principal group, Jason Barness, David Halver, and Ron Lake to discuss updates to district procedures outlined in the emergency response manual. Discussions will include updates to the manual, improved communication for subs, training for staff, and resources for families regarding how to talk to their students regarding school safety.

Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS)

- ISD 709 received a grant from MDE to support planning for district-wide PBIS implementation, scale up and sustainability.
- As of Fall 2018, we will have six schools who have received PBIS training from MDE: Denfeld, LPMS, Piedmont, Lowell, Lakewood, Laura MacArthur
- Ron Lake and I are meeting with PBIS coaches and principals to begin this planning process and determine steps for supporting current PBIS schools and bringing on more schools.

