



November 2023 Board Report

TO: NBCUSD #16 Board of Education, Mrs. Jill Larson, Superintendent

From: Hattie Llewellyn, High School Principal

School/Building Improvement:

- Q2 Pretzels with a Purpose - On 11:40 Dismissal Days this year, we are focusing on Preparing for College, Career, and Life! Students attend 3 different sessions on College/Career Planning and Goal Setting, Social Emotional Learning, and Community Service/Outreach/Team Building. I would like to thank our special guests that came in to meet with our students: Robert Ferrill from CACC, and Brett Huff, From MTI. And give a HUGE shout out to Jennifer Tirey for leading the seniors through sessions for stress management and relaxation techniques through Yoga. She even did a bonus session with staff and we loved it!!
- Our Career Day was a HUGE success, thanks to the amazing coordinating and planning by Ms. Aimee Gray! We kicked off the day with our Keynote Speaker, LeAnn Webster, who talked to student about having "No Regrets" and shared stories about the various careers she has pursued and how each one prepared her for things she would need in the next. She also talked about not letting failures get in your way. She shared her experiences as an Ironman - the first time she was unable to finish the biking portion in the time limit, but she did not let that stop her, and she did it again and finished!
Students attended breakout sessions with presenters from all over the county that shared their real-life experiences in their careers. They also participated in a Career Fair and had the opportunity to apply for jobs on the spot! The day ended with a Reality Check put on by the Army National Guard in which students picked a career, earned a salary, then had to make decisions on how they spent their money - buy or rent a house? New or Used car? Medical bills, and all kinds of real life decisions.
- On our SIP Inservice Day November 9th, we reviewed the College and Career Readiness programming we have available to us: Major Clarity, Panorama Student Success, College Board, and IXL. We also reviewed our School Report Card and analyzed our data so that we can put an action plan together for improvements.

Assessment

- November 27th-December 1st is the HS MAP Benchmarking Window. Students will also take the Panorama Survey.

Pretzel Positives

- Congratulations to the following students that have been selected as CACC Student of the Month for October: Whitney Williams - Building Trades II, Tyler Moore - Coop/WBL, Samuel Cody - Welding II, Schylar Spradlin - Medical Assistant
- Congratulations to Luke Cycholl, Collin Featherston, Layla Hein, Tyler Hulett, Jadyn Perry, and Kamden Sheedy on their prestigious academic achievement of being named Illinois State Scholars for the Class of 2024. The Illinois State Scholar program is awarded to high school seniors based on ACT or SAT test scores and the sixth semester* class size and unweighted class rank and Grade Point Average (GPA).
- NB Band and Choir students participated in the IMEA Ensembles. Conlin Stapleton selected as the recipient of WIU Summer Music Scholarship. He has a full ride to one of Westerns Music Camps during the summer!
- Quincy University Woodwind Ensembles came to NB Nov 8th to perform for our band students! They had a saxophone quartet, clarinet quartet and flute and oboe trio perform for MS and HS band kids, which was pretty awesome!



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Recommendations: