Transportation

With a busy few past months with basketball, the weather is warming up which is great news for our buses. We have had a difficult February with below temperatures for 31 straight days that caused havoc with our fleet.

I think we had a brutal past few months and it had taken its toll on our staff and students. Hopefully the weather stays warm, I really don't mind the snow, it's the below temperatures that I have issues with because it messes with our DEF pumps and it buses can't operate like they are supposed to.

I have turned our districts bus reimbursement claims into OPI for the first semester with elementary getting \$59,922.52 while high school bringing in \$13,230.63. We are down from previous years with some buses being down, the bus with the new engine is still sitting idle while we are waiting on computer software for the other bus. Our buses get claimed by driver, mileage and passenger per bus.

O/M

I want to say things are good with cleaning, staff have the intendencies to take a lot of leave. We have staff that are pretty darn close from being Leave Without Pay status. But, as far as trying to get subs to come in, they last one day and realize that janitorial duties don't work out for them.

I really don't see janitors that work eight hours a day here, I worked all areas and it only has taken me a full four hours to clean. That means that we have staff sitting around for half the time here and getting paid.

It would be an idea to maybe have them get CDL's to work their other half, like they use to back when I was in school. It would make so much sense and we would never be with out drivers and our reimbursements would be steady with a pool of drivers.

Please stop by and see what's going on in your two departments and see what's been going on. A little encouragement from you would be so much appreciated, maybe this o/m staff would come to work every day.