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School Board Meeting Agenda Item

Topic:Administrative ReportPresenter(s):Bob Jaszczak, Superintendent

Nature of Action Requested

Board Action Board Information or Report X

Background Information

Building and Programming Updates will be provided at each board meeting. For the remainder of the year, the first meeting of each month will be building updates provided by principals or building administrators. The second meeting of each month will be programming updates provided by each director.

2024-25 Field Trips	The current list of approved applications is attached
Building and Programming Updates	 Colvill ECFE Spring class registration has begun. Classes began January 6 and run through May 28. Fall registration and Special Education student placement has begun for Fall 2025. Colvill Registration Open House was January 14, 3:45pm-6:00pm Our ECFE Parent Educator has completed the first fall course at the Walter Magnis High School through the DOC (Dept of Corrections) Students will be completing Winter Fastbridge testing during the weeks of January 6th and January 13th. These screening assessments are completed three times each year, and provide teachers with valuable data about students' progress in reading and math. First grade students will visit the Minnesota Children's Museum in January. This field trip is funded by a grant from the Red Wing Public Schools' Foundation, and busing is paid for from the Sunnyside Innovative Learning Fund, which are funds raised through Sunnyside's fundraisers each year.

<u>Burnside</u>

- Students will be completing Winter Fastbridge testing during the weeks of January 6th and January 13th. These screening assessments are completed three times each year, and provide teachers with valuable data about students' progress in reading and math. On January 21, we will be reviewing that data as a staff and make changes to our WINN time groups accordingly.
- Three Minnesota Reading Corps tutors joined Burnside on January 13! This will provide additional intervention time for some of BES students.
- Beginning January 13, Burnside teachers are be doing lessons from the Responsive Classroom book, "How to Bullyproof Your Classroom." There are four lessons that will be presented, one each week, during Morning Meeting.

Twin Bluff

- Students will be completing Winter Fastbridge testing during the weeks of January 6-8th. These screening assessments are completed three times each year, and provide teachers with valuable data about students' progress in both reading and math.
- The Young People's Project provided training to Ms. Kathryn Kirkvold (RWHS Science/Math teacher) and numerous high school students on December 12-14th. Their training will support TBMS students with additional math help through a Service Learning/Math Program Grant from Rise Up Red Wing. Through this program HS students tutor MS students three nights per week starting after holiday break.
- TBMS held another successful safe and fun event for students on Friday, December 13th (with a near full moon!). The Holiday Leadership Dance was a huge hit with nearly 300 students in attendance.
- Grade 6 & 7 Choir students performed at Hovda Hall on 1/14/25 to a "standing room only" crowd. The students did an amazing job and Mr. Ascheman did a great job presenting and leading the choirs!

<u>High School</u>

- Winter Choir and Band Concert was held where more than 1/3 of our students participate in one or more ways with our program.
- In conjunction with Goodhue County we held our first Mental Health Support Night, where 14 community partners came out with a focus on recognizing and support student mental health.
- During Enrichment Time, December 11th RWHS had 20 different sessions with 22 guest speakers from different career fields to speak to our students during our enrichment time, where students were able to sign up for an interest area.

Towerview

- On December 18 the Anderson Center hosted the Holiday Lunch for students, staff, and board members. Before the lunch, the Red Wing Elks brought out food donations and backpacks to fill with food for the winter break. There was enough food donated to create a food shelf at Tower View for students.
- On December 10 students went to the MN Zoo for an educational day given by the Jones Family Foundation and the Albrecht-Posss Foundation.
- Tower View Candle Co. is completing its final orders for the year.
- Tower View Robotics was given two grants for the amount of \$10,500.00 from 3M and Medtronics.

Activities

- Will conduct Head Football Coach interviews in February.
- Winter Activities in full swing. At time of this update, Musical will have been completed and athletic teams are preparing for their post season runs.
- Head coaches will be meeting with Community Education in the coming weeks to determine summer programming plans.

Buildings & Grounds

- 5-year sprinkler inspections were completed over the holiday break
- Working with HR on filling open custodial positions

Communication

- The big project for January was the Minnesota Music Association Midyear Convention program for our RWHS Concert Choir, which is performing in Minneapolis on Feb. 13. Two music students (who will be communication interns second semester) assisted and a third is working on a video.
- Legislative Watch 2025 has begun!

Community Education

- Outdoor ice rinks are currently open to the public. The warming houses are staffed after school and on the weekend at the Athletic Field and Carol Ann Pirius (South Park) outdoor rinks. Ice skates are available at both locations, free of charge. The outdoor ice rinks are managed by the Community Education department for the City of Red Wing as outlined in the Joint Powers Agreement.
- Winter & Spring programs are in full swing. This Winter/Spring, Community Education & Recreation is offering a wide array of over 260 classes and activities. Check out the class listing at rwps.org/cer.
- The Adults with Disabilities, Aim to Achieve, program catalog has been completed. Watch for the catalog to be distributed the week of January 27. For a copy of the catalog, contact the Community Education office.

	 Planning for summer programming has started. Kids Junction, Colvill Aquatic Center and summer camps, classes and program offerings have been outlined.
ŀ	 Human Resources Continuing to work on hiring of open positions, including Special Education Paraprofessionals and Custodians. Working on Seniority Reports and Pay Equity Report.
1	 Nursing Services Sunnyside and Burnside nurses will be mentoring student interns again this year for the Flight Program. Interns will spend scheduled days in each of the health offices observing the role of the school nurse. Plans are being made for our spring dental clinics. The Goodhue County Care Clinic will bring their dental mobile unit to each school to perform routine dental care for our students.
S	 Special Services A new special education teacher was hired. It has been a smooth transition and we welcome Olivia to our team. Some special education mentoring teams are participating in the Region 10 Special Education Mentoring Initiative. This initiative focuses on supporting and retaining new special education teachers. We are continuing to interview and hire special education paraprofessionals. There are currently 9 openings across the district.
ξ	 Student Nutrition Services Summer Programming meetings have begun. Nutrition Services will be entering applications for SFSP sites to MDE by March 31st, 2025. Approvals take approximately 6 to 8 weeks. Nutrition Services will have its administrative review 2025/2026 school year and preparations have already began. Site monitoring for Breakfast and Lunch at each site will need to be completed by February 1st, 2025 to be in compliance. This is something that will need to be pulled for the anticipated review next year. Nutrition services is currently fully staffed.
1	 Feaching & Learning There are two PD days for teachers in February. Phase 1 Educator will be working on LETRS, Specialists, and Middle School Teachers have a one-day Responsive Classroom Workshop, on February 17th all teaching will receive training on using AI in Education. The K-5 Math Pilot Team will be deciding shortly on the new K-5 Math to be implemented next Fall. RWHS has an exciting opportunity with the Heart of America Foundation to transform a space.

•	Testing Season is approaching; ACCESS testing starts in February.