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Principal's Report

Hidden Valley High School

Celebration/Nuts/Bolts-

Our spring athletic teams have finished their seasons with much success. Our baseball team lost a good game in the quarter finals to South Marion. Our track teams shared achievement at the state level as well. The boys finished second in the state by one point. Girls tennis was exciting down the stretch as energy grew with some success that has not been measured in recent years. Congratulations to our players/participants and coaches for their continued excellence through athletics.

Graduation has come and gone with many great experiences that I am proud to say I was able to experience as an educator. Commencement was beautiful with all of the flowers and excitement from both our students and the community. As a principal, graduation is always a special moment of reflection as students complete a chapter of their young adult lives. Overall, I am very proud of the students and our team that helped organize a successful ceremony that was first class and fun.

- Master scheduling is continuing as we finish up this week trying to build the schedule via our new Synergy software program.
- The facility project is moving slowly but well. We are meeting with contractors this week to schedule site prep.
- Evaluation meetings are happening this week. This is a valuable time for those professional conversations after a long school year. Great things come from talking about goals and how they were or not achieved.
- There have been several position moves from staff lately. There are multiple positions open and we are diligently going through that process of finding the best people that we can as each opening is an opportunity to get better as a school.
- Freshman orientation and open house went well with large numbers of parents visiting our high school.
- Scholarship and the Night of Excellence were great evenings recognizing the best and brightest here at HVHS.
- Mr. Burgess took a group of students on a history trip up north following the Oregon Trail. This trip was something they have been planning all year and it was a success involving many students.
- Test scores and academic achievement is sort of a mixed bag. We had large success in science with nearly a 9% gain from last year. LA took a nice bump gaining 1.5% while math slid a bit. Due to such things as our bomb threat and waves of sickness and travel issues in the winter, our attendance is off of where it should be when compared to last year. This being said, I am very proud of some of the success our students have had this year and I look forward to the challenges that await us in the coming year. In the next 15 days, our admin team will be planning for the upcoming year while amending some structures that are aimed at school wide improvement.