

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

### **Opening of School**

We started our fourth week of school today. I am pleased to report all of our schools opened on time. In visiting several schools along with Cabinet, it was truly evident teachers, support staff, administrators, and others are working hard to effectively engage and support students in their education. Many adjustments take place during the start of school in order to meet changing variables and unanticipated issues.

### **Enrollment Update**

Our enrollment remains relatively flat. We are experiencing a downturn in elementary students, and a slight upturn in secondary students. We will have our very latest enrollment numbers at our Board meeting.

### **Real Estate Transaction Finalized**

I am pleased to announce we have finalized the purchase of property for a future elementary school as approved by the School Board. Special thanks to our School Board for their vision and our facility department for their work in the negotiation of the sale.

### **Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)**

The Beaverton School District is intent on supporting every child and providing them with their legal access to an excellent and free public education, regardless of their immigration status, citizenship, religion, nation of origin, or any other legally protected status. It is important to know our schools do not track or ask for a student's citizenship or immigration status, nor provide information in violation of the Federal Education and Privacy Act (FERPA). In addition to the resources, professional development, and other strategies developed and created to support students, staff, and parents, the district is currently working to create additional resources and opportunities specifically to DACA.

### **Air Quality**

Our first weeks of school were challenged with air quality issues related to fires in our area. We have worked with the Oregon Health Authority and OSAA to monitor our air quality and follow guidelines. We have restricted outside activities during and after instructional hours. We continue to monitor and follow recommended guidelines. Special thanks to our Operations staff, teachers, administrators, students, parents, and coaches for their help and patience.

### **Board Policy Update and Review Process**

The School Board is working with the Oregon School Board Association in conducting a complete review and update of all School District policies. Special thanks to the entire School Board for taking on this arduous task and reviewing each and every policy that impacts all stakeholders of the Beaverton School District.

**District Goal:** WE empower all students to achieve post-high school success.

The Beaverton School District recognizes the diversity and worth of all individuals and groups. It is the policy of the Beaverton School District that there will be no discrimination or harassment of individuals or groups based on race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, marital status, age, veterans' status, genetic information or disability in any educational programs, activities or employment.

**Title IX Update**

The district continues to work with the Department of Education and the Oregon Schools Activities Association to self-evaluate our practices, infrastructure, and policies to ensure we are compliant with all State and Federal Requirements. All comprehensive high schools have been toured and we are in the process of initiating professional development for staff, and gathering information to send to the Oregon Department of Education for their review. We continue to review practice and program offerings to be sure we are providing equal opportunity for male and female students. We are also in the process of responding to an additional inquiry from the Department of Education that is investigating a complaint. We take our responsibility under Title IX seriously and will always work to eliminate inequalities in our system. Lastly, we are nearing completion on the latest Title IX project funded through the bond, bringing the Aloha HS locker rooms into compliance and modernized.

**Local Option Levy**

The Beaverton Local Option Levy responsible for funding 300 teachers to reduce class size will expire June 30, 2018. In visiting with staff, parents, and other community members, they are thankful and excited the School Board is intent on asking voters to support a future Local Option Levy to support the children of the Beaverton School District.