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Goal 1: The District will strive to provide the best possible educational programs.

- Congratulations to the class of 2021. Best wishes to each graduate on your future endeavors. The class of 2021 received over \$35,000 in local scholarships at our honors and awards night. Approximately 46% of the senior class graduated with honors meaning that they had a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or greater for their four years of high school. There were 54 students that walked in the commencement ceremony on June 4. Thank you to our senior advisors (Mrs. Spencer, Mr. Clark, Mrs. Schultz) for all their work with graduation, and thank you to Mrs. Noll for her help and the ceremony and Mr. Menk for his help with the live stream. Thank you to Superintendent Carman and the entire school board for being part of the ceremony. Thank you to Eliana Hammann for her work on producing the senior slideshow, our four speakers (Janae Salvetti, Megan Meyer, Kylee Zeches, and Jade Fortsch), and for Jade Fortsch and others for their help with other senior year items and events.
- Congratulations to the E85 Supermileage team on their 1st place finish at state.
- Thank you to Mr. Wilmes and Mr. Hamilton for putting on both junior high and senior high band and choir concerts. It was great to hear the groups sing/play for an audience again.
- Thank you to all the volunteers and businesses that supported our 2nd annual FFA dairy bag sale on June 8. We sold approximately 500 dairy bags. Special thank you to the FFA officers, Ketchum/Schell/Michalowski families, and Mr. Stoppelmoor for support. A donation list will be provided for approval at the July school board meeting.
- Congratulations to our spring sports athletes and thank you to coaches for a great spring. Track and field is still in season as I write these notes, and we wish our section and hopefully, state, competitors the best of luck.

Goal 2: The District will strive to hire, develop, and maintain the best possible staff.

- Thank you to Stephen Uphus, who will be leaving us in terms of fulltime, but that we will still see in the
 building as he continues his school counselor training. Welcome to Amanda Koelln. We look forward to
 working with you in the office and having your support with our activity programs.
- Thank you to all staff members that helped us make the most of the school year. We have many great things that happened because of their dedication.

Goal 3: The District will strive to maintain a positive emotional and safe climate for learners and staff.

- Thank you to Mr. Montgomery, Mrs. Hornberg, and Mr. Menk for their work on the Rockstar Competition.
 We did get rained out, but our make-up event was great. Thank you to all of our sponsors, and to our track and field athletes that helped run events. Please take a look at some of the pictures from the event: https://jactionphoto.smugmug.com/Sports-Action/Rockstar-Competition-2021/
- Thank you to our high school students for making the best of all that this school year had to throw at them.
 They overcame a great deal and many excelled in spite of the circumstances. Thank you to all of our parents for your support and ability to adapt as we had to implement different models and changes to programming.
- Thank you to Mr. Wilmes and Mr. Hamilton for putting on junior and senior high music performances. It was great to see the students perform again.

- Thank you to our maintenance staff and nurse for keeping us safe and sanitized this school year. I am incredibly happy with our low case numbers and minimal quarantines for this school year.
- Thank you to our food service staff for the creativity of meals served under the many restrictions we had this year. We look forward to the hope of our traditional food options next school year. Summer service started on Monday, and we hope that students will enjoy the shelf-stable options.

Goal 4: The District will strive to maintain and improve the district infrastructure.

 All of our computers have arrived for the next school year. We will be able to give out HP Streams to all students in 7-12 in the fall.

