

## Board Report March 25, 2019

### 1. What's new at CIHS?

- i. On Friday, March 8, all 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students attended the Bridges' Career Exploration Day at Central Lakes College. Students were able to check out over 200 career possibilities in the six career cluster areas. Students were also able to be involved with many "hands on" experiences during the morning. A big thank you goes out to the Carl Perkins Consortium for providing the funds for busing the students and to NJPA for providing the meals for the ~2,800 students and the numerous chaperons in attendance. I had the privilege of being a "VIP" tour guide again for my last year as the C-I Principal. This is a great experience for our students!
- ii. New Principal, Jen Strom, Lisa Rydberg and Nickie Doyle hosted two Orientation Nights at the school in March. On March 5, next year's ninth grade students and their parents met in the Auditorium to discuss high school graduation requirements, grade point average (GPA), class rank, college and university requirements, College in the Schools (CIS), Minnesota Transfer Curriculum, Bridges Career Academies and ACT Prep. After introducing Principal Strom, I had the privilege of just being a spectator! There were 59 parents and students who attended on this night. On March 7, the same team hosted a 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation Night for next year's incoming 7<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents in the Auditorium. The presentation focused on Parent-School Communication and High School Expectations, Policies and Procedures. The evening ended with a tour of the building. There were 114 total parents and students who attended this evening. A big thank you to the staff for helping me out with tours: Jennie Planer, Stacey Berent, Brad Hollenhorst, Bryan Syrstad, Marie Gordon, Megan Felthous, Tom Ringhand and Nathan Ernst.
- iii. I want to take this opportunity to congratulate Pam Stock and Michelle Wolter on their retirements! These two ladies have done such a great job educating students during their careers at Crosby-Ironton! They have left big shoes to fill!

Respectfully submitted,

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