

TO: Board of Education
FROM: Dr. McGill, Superintendent
DATE: September 15, 2025
RE: Superintendent Report

BACKGROUND

I provide the Board of Education with a brief report at each regular Board of Education meeting, highlighting District activities and information.

SUMMARY

Strategic Planning Launch

We are excited to publicly launch our Strategic Planning process this week! The goal is to collaboratively develop a 5-year plan that will cement the traditions, history, and values that make Benjamin SD25 such an amazing place, while also highlighting areas of growth and opportunity. We will also create meaningful benchmarks to measure our success going forward. We will ensure transparency and engagement through our website where all documents and presentations used during our strategic planning work will be posted, as well as periodic social media updates. We are in need of parents and community members to volunteer to be a part of the Strategic Planning team! [You can click here to learn more and volunteer](#). Even if you are not a part of the Strategic Planning team, you will have many opportunities to provide feedback throughout this process through surveys and a town hall meeting

Evergreen Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

We hosted the Evergreen Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on August 26th immediately before the supply dropoff. It was great to have the support of our board members and community. Students and families enjoyed the Kona Ice and Ice Cream provided by Arcon. I want to thank everyone for their support. The whole school was buzzing with excitement! [Here is an excellent photo from the event](#) and [here is a link to the video](#) of the event that was posted to our YouTube page.

Upcoming GPS Parent Series Events

- Jessica Lahey; Engaged, Competent and Sober: Raising Addiction-Resistant Kids in a Culture of Dependence, Thu Sep, 25 2025 @ Noon and 7pm CST
- Dr. Ross Greene; Explosive Child: Understanding Frustrated and Inflexible Children, Tue Sep, 30 2025 @ Noon and 7pm CST
- Mariana Proske Gutierrez; Early Childhood Program in Spanish: Smart and Healthy Discipline for Young Children, Thu Oct, 2 2025 @ 7pm CST
- Judson Brewer, MD, PhD; The Craving Mind: Break the Cycle of Worry and Bad Habits, Tue Oct, 7 2025 @ Noon and 7pm CST
- Dr. David Yeager; What We Get Wrong: Motivating and Communicating With Young People 10-25, Wed Oct, 15 2025 @ Noon and 7pm CST

- Dr. Mary Sheedy Kurcinka; Early Childhood - Raising A Spirited, Intense, Sensitive, Persistent, and Energetic Child, Tue Oct, 21 2025 @ Noon and 7pm CST

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request(s)

There have been no new FOIA requests.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

None at this time.