

# **Crosby-Ironton Secondary School**

## **Principal's Monthly Report**

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**Reporting Period:** November, 2025

**Board Meeting Date:** [Date]

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## **I. School Highlights**

- Symphonic Band performed at the Lakes Area Band Festival They also performed at the Giichi-Ziibi in Brainerd with other bands like Brainerd HS, Milaca HS, Jordan HS, New Prague HS, and CLC Wind Symphony! (November 14th)
  - The High School was able to utilize the Mayberry Auditorium for the Ranger Awards (7 & 8 grade, Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance, Class Awards, and Character Awards)
  - Veteran's Day Ceremony was organized and led by Kirsten Nixon as part of her National Honor Society Service Project
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## **II. Academic Updates**

- **Assessments Administered:**
  - **Curriculum Updates:**
    - A student meeting is scheduled with Grady Kirk, Sourcewell Career Consultant, and myself for November 21st to discuss a CDL course for the spring semester. Seniors who are or near 18 can take this course for high school credit.
  - **Student Progress:**
    - Increasing student interventions following the 1st quarter grades and data reviews.
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## **IV. Student Support & Services**

- **Counseling Services:**
  - Concordia College at Moorhead
  - Northern Michigan University

- Saint John and Saint Benedict University
- Minnesota North College
- U.S. Navy-Lunchroom Visit
- Marine Corp Band Visit
- **Special Education:**
- **Social-Emotional Learning (SEL):** The high school hosted Rachel's Challenge through a gift provided by the Cuyana Range Youth Center November 20th

## V. Staff Updates

- **Professional Development:**
  - Staff received a briefing on Standard Response Protocol during the November 6th early out.
  - I attended the School Law Conference November 5th
  - I attended the Area Principal PLC November 7th
  - Counselors attended State Counselors convention in Duluth, MN
  - Megan Syrstad and Katherine Thoennes attended the NCTE convention in Denver, CO
- **Personnel Changes:**
- **Staff Recognition:**
  - Paul Schafbuch and Brian Wood for dotting the "i's" outside the library media center. The tittle, the dot on the i, had been removed in past years by students but never replaced. All that was left were bolts sticking out of the wall. Paul fabricated the new tittle and Brain fabricated a C-I sticker to be placed on the tittle.
  - Sasha Melenich led her first IEP meeting
- **Site Team:**
  - School Safety
  - Parent Teacher Conferences
  - Excused Absence Slips from office
  - WIN
  - Student Management Systems
  - Cell phone policy, backpacks, and lockers
  - Grade level meetings vs PLCs

## VI. Safety & Facilities

- **Discipline Reports:**
    - We are running daily reports on attendance and tardies
    - Students with multiple tardies in one day earn a lunch detention the following day
  - **Safety Drills Conducted:**
    - [Standard Response Protocol](#)
  - **Facilities Updates:**
    - November 4th Sara Brammer, Gabby Van Grootheest and myself received training on the light system in the auditorium
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## VII. Extracurricular & Athletics

- **Clubs & Activities:**
    - HOSA Elected Officers
      - Sarah Maroney, President
      - Wyatt Holmes, Vice-President
      - Chloe Bosaaen, Social Media
      - Kara Nelson, Secretary
  - **Student Government / Leadership:**
    - SALT: We Scare Hunger. Gathered 369 lbs in donations!!
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## VIII. Family & Community Engagement

- **Parent Communication:**
  - A parent communication was sent out to inform families of the upcoming Rachel's Challenge
  - Parent communication sent out to seniors reminding them of cap and gown ordering
- **Community Partnerships:**
  - Donation from Mille Lacs Energy Cooperative (Aitkin) of \$3,404.12 to be utilized by our afterschool clubs (environmental, art, writing) and groups for snacks and supplies

- **Volunteer Involvement:**
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## **IX. Looking Ahead**

- **December**
    - Choir Concert December 12 (during the school day)
    - Band Concert December 18th (during the school day)
    - Quarter 2 Midterms December 4th
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## **X. Principal's Reflection / Comments**

- November was a good month for the students and staff of C-I. The passing of the referendum lifted an immense pressure from everyone. Site Team is having strong conversations about plans for next year; including lockers, cell phones, and backpacks.
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