



Medford Public School
ISD #763

Medford High School

School Board Report

January 2015

1. Busy Seniors

- Sara Routh has been meeting with all of our seniors and more than 50% have applied to a college. We will be working closely with those that have not yet applied to be sure they are getting the support they need to be ready for their plans next year.

2. Scheduling

- We have begun the initial layout of the 15-16 schedule. All departments have met and made course requests for next year. We are evaluating requests for new electives or course offerings and hope to have an interest survey out to students by January 15th. The most significant change we are considering is to separate the band and choir offering into two different hours.

3. College Financial Aid Readiness Night

- Sara Routh & Tricia Wagner have been planning a College Financial Aid Readiness Night on January 26th. An admissions and financial aid representative from Riverland College will present. We will also be sharing information on preparing for the ACT, registration, and local scholarship opportunities. We will be inviting all of our 11th and 12th grade families.

4. High School Mindsets for Success

- In order to continue our focus on learning in the High School, we are going to be sharing “Mindsets for Success” with our students this spring. We plan on focusing on two mindsets per month and having activities to help develop these “soft skills” necessary for students to be successful learners.

5. Gifted & Talented Opportunities

- We are going to be piloting an honors research project opportunity for our high achieving students. They will be working with a faculty advisor and community mentor to develop and present a research project this spring. The goal is to challenge those students who are gifted and talented and provide opportunities to develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

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