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<u>Board Briefing</u>

Dear Board,

- Moving On Ceremony I am happy to report that Tuesday evening we held our annual Moving On Ceremony to a "more than packed" gymnasium. 137 students are successfully moving on to North Valley High. The class of 2014 is one of the finest groups of students Fleming has ever produced. In their three years they have been rated as Exceptional as sixth and seventh graders and Outstanding as eighth graders. Jeff Weiss attended the ceremony, which nicely dovetailed the passing of the torch. Fleming Middle was saying, "Good bye" and North Valley said, "Welcome aboard." All in all I felt it was one of our best ceremonies.
- **Spirit Week** Our spirit week was a great success. It took place the week after the last OAKS tests were taken. Kids had a lot of fun dressing up with a different theme each day. The whole week ran concurrently with our Jog A Lot fundraiser. We had a goal to raise \$10,000.00 to add to our Athletic Facilities Improvement Project but unfortunately only raised \$5,500.00. Given the tough economic times we are living in I can't complain about the amount. We now have about \$19,000.00 saved up for our athletic facilities.
- **Gear Up Grant** Our Gear Up team has been working on a way to transition our students from elementary to middle school and also work on our transition from middle school to high school. One idea for welcoming our 8th graders to North Valley was to create special North Valley High T-shirts that are custom made for our 8th graders. Jeff Weiss gave each student their new NVHS T-shirt at the moving on ceremony. The following day at school about 80% of our 8th graders were wearing their shirts to school which was really great.
- **Parent Teacher Organization** Our PTO under the leadership of Wendy Davey President, Lynn Wade Vice President, Jeff Davey Treasurer and Lu Wytcherly Have made our end-of –year activities better than if we did all of the work ourselves. They purchased sheet cakes and punch for our Moving On ceremony and also helped pay for the bounce houses/slides for the last day of school.
- **Fleming Athletics -** Our Boys and Girls track team competed well this year under the leadership of Ron Rollins (7th science), Kathy Mathews (geography), Rick Saeman (6th math), Maria Caruncho (secretary) and Heather Yount (Asst. Principal). We won quite a few district championships as well as two new school records in the 100 and 200 broken by twin sisters. North Valley will be quite pleased with the athletes we are sending.

Thank you,

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