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To: Dr. Robert Schiffbauer, Board of Education

From: Dr. Phil Pakowski

Date: January 15, 2025

Subject: January Board Report

Incoming Freshman Night

On Wednesday, January 22nd, Minooka High School will host Incoming Freshman Night. This evening is designed to give our incoming freshman an opportunity to learn about what is offered at Minooka High School. Students and parents hear from administrators, counselors, elective courses, athletics, and activities. Two sessions were held in order to accommodate all of the students and their parents.

Dual Credit Placement Testing

Students interested in taking Dual Credit courses next year will be taking their JJC placement test at MCHS Central campus on January 23rd and at South campus on January 30th. Students that meet the placement criteria will then be placed in the appropriate dual credit class for the 2025-2026 school year. A special thank you to our counselors for getting students registered for their placement test.

ACCESS Testing

Our ELL students will be taking the ACCESS test in January. The ACCESS test measures a student's English language proficiency. Students will be testing during school at both campuses over a period of two days. Thank you to Mr. Jeff Easton, Mr. Kevin Hodges, Ms. Maia Barrera, Ms. Hannah Keppner, and Ms. Amy Hocking for organizing and facilitating our ACCESS testing at MCHS.

Student Course Selection

Our counselors have done an outstanding job meeting with our freshman, sophomore, and junior students to discuss courses for next school year. Thank you to our teachers that have shared their class time with counselors to make this happen. We will be completing student course selection in January and beginning the 2025-2026 master schedule in early February.