

Memo

To: Board of Trustees
From: Rob Sauer, Superintendent
Date: May 4, 2016
Re: Superintendent's Board Report

Homedale High School Graduation

- Graduation will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 23rd. Please communicate with Kurt if you are planning on handing your child their diploma otherwise the chairman will hand out the diplomas.

Negotiations

- Kurt and I met with Mike Greeley and Casey Grove to work on negotiations. We will meet with them again on Tuesday.

Post Legislative Tour Update

- It is anticipated that it will take two legislative sessions to make major changes to the public school funding formula. There will be winners and losers when the changes are made.
- HQT (Highly Qualified) requirements will be eliminated as of June 2016.
- The accountability system is "paused" until 2017-18.
- Statewide Average Class Size Calculation – If class size exceeds the statewide average then the district begins to lose the exemption at 1% per year. We are just below the average and will still be at the 9.5% for next year. Some districts will drop to 7.5% next year as a result of exceeding the average class size for two years in a row. The legislation allows for comparisons of school districts based on student enrollment.
- Literacy Support Program – Increases intervention requirement from 40 hours to 60 hours for below basic, and a minimum of 30 hours for those identified as basic. This is for K-3.