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COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

High Expectations and Continuous Improvement for All

To: Dr. Robert Schiffbauer, Board of Education
From: Jamie Soliman
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Lions Top 30 Dinner and Awards

On March 24, I had the privilege of collaborating with the local Lions Club to honor the top 30 students of the senior class. The evening featured a dinner provided by Cookie's Restaurant and a formal program that included a welcome by Renee Thompson, an invocation by Pastor Ouerce, and the introduction of our honor students. The event was a successful celebration of our students' significant academic achievements and was well-attended by proud family members

School Improvement Team

The School Improvement Team is scheduled to meet on April 14 to advance our ongoing review of district-wide grading practices. To date, the team has conducted a comprehensive analysis of various school district philosophies, specifically focusing on policies regarding late work, retakes, and the balance between summative and formative assessments. We have successfully gathered and synthesized feedback from both the Principal's Student Group and Department Chairs. Our objective is to finalize and present new grading practice guidelines to the faculty during the May meeting for implementation in the fall of 2026.

Goal Meetings

I am currently conducting year-end goal evaluations with the administrators under my direct supervision. These meetings serve to finalize progress on 2025-2026 objectives while establishing the framework for the 2026-2027 school year. Notably, all team members have met the established goal of completing the Youth Mental Health training provided by Mental Health Matters. Additional individual goals addressed this year included technology initiatives, improving communication consistency between buildings and feeder schools, conducting safety assessments, and enhancing leadership within individual departments.

Staff Appreciation Week (May 4 - May 8)

We have planned a series of events to celebrate our dedicated staff during the week of May 4. The schedule is as follows:

- Monday: "Grab Your Swag Bag" day.
- Tuesday (South) & Wednesday (Central): Staff appreciation cookouts.
- Thursday (South) & Friday (Central): Auntie Anne's pretzel truck visit, sponsored by the Student Council.

Members of the Board are cordially invited to join us in recognizing the hard work of our staff members.