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TO: Board of Education
FROM: Dr. Patrick McGill, Superintendent
DATE: April 13, 2026
RE: Superintendent Report

BACKGROUND

I provide the Board of Education with a brief report at each regular Board of Education meeting.

SUMMARY

Strategic Planning Update

The Strategic Plan Team met for their final meeting on March 26th to review feedback of the Draft Strategic Plan and make any final adjustments before it is presented to the Board of Education for approval tonight. The final plan is reflective of the entire Benjamin SD25 community. I want to again thank all of the strategic plan members for their hard work and dedication to shaping the future of Benjamin SD25. I have no doubt that great things will come from this plan as we begin to work toward our strategic plan goals next school year and beyond. A summary of the feedback is below. [As a reminder, all of the agenda, supporting documents, and presentation materials can be found on the Strategic Plan page on our website, which is linked here.](#)

<p><u>Mission</u> Faculty/Staff: 97.3% Support Families/Community: 100% Support</p>	<p><u>Vision</u> Faculty/Staff: 100% Support Families/Community: 90.9% Support</p>
<p><u>Core Values</u> Faculty/Staff: 100% Support Families/Community: 95.2% Support</p>	<p><u>Profile of a Graduate</u> Faculty/Staff: 100% Support Families/Community: 100% Support</p>
<p><u>Strategic Plan Goals and Strategies</u> Faculty/Staff: 100% Support Families/Community: 95.2% Support</p>	

BMS Sports Awards

Congratulations to the students who were recognized at the recent Benjamin Middle School Sports awards ceremony!

<u>JV Basketball</u>	<u>Girls Varsity</u>	<u>JV Girls</u>	<u>Dance/Cheer</u>
Evan Bell	<u>Basketball</u>	<u>Basketball</u>	Aubree Adkins
Naman Desai	Jenna Brittich	Adriana Bondar	Samiah Burnett
Jacob Dombroski	Janiah Burnett	Elena Dzwiniel	Lila Moore
Adrian Garcia	Isabella Mashal	Elliana Frigo	Brianne Phillips
Cameron Grunwaldt	Summer	Prisha Patel	Eliza Royster
Julian Hampel	McCombs	Samiah Burnett	Janiah Burnett
Paxton Hollin	Callie Nitz	Zuzanna Kuriata	Mia Gottberg
Rayden McGlory	Sakina Razvi	Lila Moore	Sofia Manzanares
Mirasghar Razvi	Raegan Shimek	Abigail Murphy	Isabella Mashal
Liam Sutor	Ellis Wanshek		Gianna Szajda
Caleb Urbina			

<u>5th/6th Grade Boys</u>	<u>5th/6th Grade</u>	<u>Boys Volleyball</u>
<u>Basketball</u>	<u>Girls Basketball</u>	BJ Bowen
Andrew Drinnin	Maya Benbellil	Youif Albadry
Mason Lopez	Adriana Bondar	Xavier Ayala
Ivan Marquez	Elena Dzwiniel	Jacob Barnes
Sean Moricle	Elliana Frigo	Phillip Dzwiniel
Andre Newcombe	Angeline Higgins	Lucas Frigo
Dhrushil Patel	Serena Tamayo	Rogan Koeune
Nolan Truong	Prisha Patel	Kyan Mosher
Landon Derrico		Hashim Nasib
Samuel Luba		Tredway Payton
Vincent Van Der Wal		Giovanni Sisson
		Vincent Troia
		Aaron Wanshek

2nd Grade Musical and Art Show!

It was great to be able to attend the 2nd grade musical and art show! The performance was fantastic, with choreography and speaking parts for students. I especially enjoyed the pizza song! Thank you to Ms. Gjata for all of her leadership and orchestrating such a wonderful event for our students and families.

Benjamin Theater Performance

The Benjamin Theater Club launched their performance of Matilda on March 13th. It was a phenomenal performance with spectacular choreography, acting, and singing. A big thank you to Mrs. DeChristophrer, Mr. Lewis, and Mrs. Tepe for their great leadership in this annual tradition! The whole McGill family loved the performance and we sang the songs all the way home.

Matilda Cast

Aubree Adkins	Angeline Higgins	Logan McDonald	Mariam Ramzan
Nikayla Bellosa	Lyla Hodder	Marieli Mendoza	Simrin Rawalji
Sofia Benitez	Aubrie Holben	Liam Mitchell	Lucille Reed
Eloise Blomquist	William Holdeman	Lucas Mitchell	Piper Regnas
Samiah Burnett	Georgia Jaramillo	Lila Moore	Madison Repiscak
Lilianne Campbell	Ava Kimme	Abigail Murphy	Alanys Saez
Paige Christenson	Ashley Krucek	May Myint	Raegan Shimek
Amelia Dameron	Nicole Kuriata	Callie Nitz	Zofia Slupski
Joseph Delort	Zuzanne Kuriata	Paxton Ohlinger	Julianna Tripp
Allyson Dombroski	Evelyn Leo	Jenisha Patel	Nolan Truong
Jacob Dombroski	Francesco Leo	Scarlett Payton	Bailey Urbina
Elliana Frigo	Finnegan Lovett	Jessica Piatek	Cora Weirich
Lucas Frigo	Evangeline Marszalek	Cooper Porsek	
	Nardos Masresha	Melania Pushkar	

Matilda Crew

Sakina Razvi	Alexandra Chapman
Hailey Russell	Sophie Christenson
Valentina Santelli	Mia Gottberg
Jacob Schildt	Amelia Graaff
Aubrey Schweihs	Lidia Grimaldo
Kacper Shepard	Julian Hampel
Dylan Silanskis	Sophie Hart
Caleb Urbina	Vivian Higgins
Daniel Valenzuela	Helena Kurian
Ellis Wanshek	Summer McCombs
Natalie Ziajor	Aubrey Merkel
Saron Abegaz	Isabelle Prosek
Janiah Burnett	Lexie Rajeck

Upcoming GPS Parent Series Events

- Dr. Doug Bolton; HYBRID EVENT - Never Give Up On Kids: How to Go from End-of-Your-Rope to Hope, Wed Apr, 15 2026 @ Noon and 7pm CST
- Rachael Mann; Brace Yourself For an AI Future, Mon Apr, 20 2026 @ Noon and 7pm CST
- Ashley Graber and Maria Evans; Raising Calm Kids in a World of Worry: Tools to Ease Anxiety and Overwhelm, Wed Apr, 22 2026 @ Noon and 7pm CST
- Lisa Phillips; Teen Relationship Skills in the Social Media Era, Tue Apr, 28 2026 @ Noon and 7pm CST
- Catherine Price; The Amazing Generation: Breaking Up with Screens and Unlocking Kids' Potential in a Tech-Filled Environment, Tue May, 5 2026 @ Noon and 7pm CST

- Deborah Farmer Kris and Tracy Patton; EARLY CHILDHOOD - Awe-Seeking and Mess-Making: The Science of Wonder and Sensory Play to Help Kids Thrive, Wed May, 6 2026 @ Noon and 7pm CST

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request(s)

None

RECOMMENDATION(S)

None at this time.