

To: Mr. Mahoney and Board of EducationFrom: Kip CrandallRe: February Board ReportDate: February 14, 2017

Current Enrollment:

 7^{th} Grade – 86 8^{th} Grade – 115

SIP Goals & Progress:

<u>SIP Goal 1</u>: At each grade level 5% more students will achieve their MAP growth target* in the areas of reading and math and close the free/reduced vs. paid lunch status achievement gap in math and reading by 2.5%. *(as compared to trend data indicating what would normally be expected.) Winter MAP testing is complete and RTi placement meetings will take place soon. Chapter four of the book Game Changers was presented at our January staff mtg., Pre, during and post lesson planning.

<u>SIP Goal 2</u>: At each grade level we will close the free/reduced vs. paid lunch status attainment gap by 2.5 %. Mentoring program has three fully vetted mentors ready to go and Ryan Corson has completed the work on the screener tool to identify potential mentees and all 7th graders have completed the screener. A meeting is scheduled for February 15th to identify first three mentees, very excited to get started. Summer reading program planning continues.

<u>SIP Goal 3</u>: As a result of a focused effort related to "soft skills" (organization, goal setting, acts of kindness, etc.) activity participation, I am an Eagle, Eagle Hours and attendance percentages will increase over 2015-16 percentages. 155/196 students are currently involved in at least one DLR extracurricular activity (79%.) Last year 86% of our students ended the year involved in at least one extracurricular. 83/196 (42%) have at least ten hours of community service thus far this year as compared to 29% at this time last year (last month was not correct data.) Current attendance rate is 93.46% as opposed to 95.95% at this time last year.

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PPAC: - Mr. Albrecht led the February 8th meeting as part of his administrative internship with Carla Byerley, Rich Tomlinson, Brion Brooks and Samantha Aylward present.

Agenda discussed included:

- 1. School to home communication
- 2. Handbook recommendations from parents
- 3. Professional school counseling moved to next mtg.

Professional Development:

"Game Changers" book study – chapter 4 was presented at December staff meeting by Jim Spratt and Dan Gale. The chapter discussed pre, during and post lesson planning.

Three additional DLR staff members are scheduled to attend a "The Leader in Me" (TLIM) symposium March 1-3, 2017 in Livonia, MI. I will also explore taking a group to Quincy for a school visit to see TLIM in action.

Original assessment training, headed up By Kara Vandas from the Leadership and Learning Center, lined up for Friday has been postponed. This would have bolstered work for teachers in the area of writing better constructed questions on unit assessments that are more PARCC-like.

Events List:

- 1. Feb. 21 Builder's Club Meeting. 7:00 a.m.
- 2. Feb. 23 FCA Meeting. 7:00 a.m.
- 3. Feb. 23 25 DLR school play 7:00 p.m. @ Pinegrove Theater
- 4. Mar. 01 Student Council Meeting 7:00 a.m.
- 5. Mar. 07 Builder's Club Meeting 7:00 a.m.
- 6. Mar. 07 DLR all-school service project day
- 7. Mar. 07 Card Club, 3:00 p.m. in Art Room
- 8. Mar. 09 FCA Meeting 7:00 a.m.
- 9. Mar. 09 DLR/OCEC basketball game 10:00 a.m. in DLR Gym
- 10. Mar. $10 End of 3^{rd} qtr.$
- 11. Mar. 14 Rt. 72 Music Organizational Concert 7:00 p.m. @ Forreston HS
- 12. Mar. 15 Student Council Meeting 7:00 a.m.
- 13. Mar. 16 Band Extravaganza 7:00 p.m. in BHC
- 14. Mar. 17 Report cards go home

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Positively Speaking:



Top magazine sellers from our fall fundraiser were treated to a limo lunch at Alfanos on Thursday, February 2^{nd} . Students left DLR at 11:15 and spent 6^{th} period eating pizza and having fun to celebrate.



Mr. Joshua Martindale, OCEC Plus student, is ecstatic about winning DLR's weekly SOAR prize drawing!!



Stephen McKenzie, Divante Zinke and Trenton show off their cross-curricular projects they constructed in Mr. Mark Gale's class. Math and art teamed up to complete the geometrical unit.

Respectfully submitted... Kip Crandall

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