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OFFICE OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Education
From: Eric Luther
Date: 3/4/2026
Re:

The 25-week progress report period has come to a close and students/parents will be receiving their reports on Friday.

I have been making arrangements and schedules for the upcoming 3-8 ELA, math and science exams which will start after we come back from Spring Break in April.

I have also been planning for our upcoming staff development day on Mar. 13th. Staff will be traveling around the North Country to attend various Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) discussions for various grade levels and subject areas. Teachers from around the BOCES will be meeting to talk about curriculum, standards and changes which will be coming due to the Portrait of a Graduate work that we will be jumping in to. I have also made arrangements to take a couple of teachers to BOCES in April for a PD opportunity being offered by NYSED regarding Performance-based Learning and Assessment. It should be interesting as we continue to progress with the changes associated with Portrait of a Graduate.

I have also been working with CF, EK, and HD administrators to create opportunities for various teachers from each of the districts to get together to spend a day(s) working on curriculum/instruction for their respective classes. We will be continuing this practice periodically throughout the spring to help improve instructional practices in each subject/grade level and to generate more appropriate assessment strategies which are more aligned with the increased demands of some of the newer assessments.

In athletics, the boys' and girls' basketball seasons have come to close with tough losses in the quarterfinals for the boys' and the semifinals for the girls'. We are also sending 3 bowlers to the NYSPHSAA Championships in Syracuse on Friday and Saturday Mar. 13th & 14th. Congratulations to Athena Brown, Gavin Bernhard and Angelo Campbell for making the Section X Composite Team! Best of luck to them! All in all, it was a great winter season with a lot of success for all of our teams!

Baseball and softball season will be beginning on Monday with varsity practices. The modified season will follow. Schedules are all set and have been re-arranged due to Spring Break, the Senior trip, music concerts, prom, etc.

In CSE, we have held several annual review meetings and will continue to do so throughout the spring. There have not been a lot of changes with programming as the majority of our students are performing relatively well this year. I have also finished filing paperwork to possibly send one student to a BOCES-offered program in the Fall if an opening presents itself. I have not heard back yet as to what openings are available. Lastly, I had a conversation with EK regarding one of their 12:1:1 students and the possibility of having them attend our program here. They want to slowly introduce the student to our program sparingly over the spring to see if it would be a good fit for the student for the Fall.