



To: USD 113 Board of Education
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Re: Board of Education Building Report

Building Highlights:

The custodians continue to clean and sanitize the building in compliance with guidelines for Covid-19. In addition, general cleaning and summer maintenance tasks have begun (deep clean carpets, scrub and polish floors, etc.). The USD 113 Food Service Staff have been prepping meals in the SHS cafeteria and commons and distributing meals from the south entrance.

Student Survey:

A survey went out to students to gain insight as to how kids are fairing during Continuous Learning. There were 164 respondents (By grade level: 47 9th, 35 10th, 37 11th, 45 12th). 74 indicated feeling “Okay/Fair”, 50 reported feeling “Confident”, 21 students noted feeling “Overwhelmed”, 13 identified as “Struggling”, and 6 indicated feeling “Other”. 99 Students reported “Being away from school/friends as the most difficult thing about continuous learning. 72 noted that “Motivation” was a struggle, 60 indicated that “developing a routine” was difficult. 36 mentioned “technology” as a struggle, while 29 noted “difficulty with classroom lessons and assignments”. 67 students report working 1-2 hours per day on assignments, 58 noted 2-3 hours, 17 indicated spending 3 or more hours, while 22 reported spending less than 1 hour. Respondents were allowed to make comments as well as report on the survey and responses varied. SHS Building Leadership analyzed results and the data is in line with what teachers are realizing in regard to student/learning progress.

Parent Contacts:

On May 1st SHS sent a newsletter to all students and families with special mention of a renewed effort in communication between students and teachers, diligence in completing the semester to the best of their ability, and a reminder of the grading policy. Emails and phone calls have been made to parents of students not completing work or making contact.

Graduation/Orientation/Recognition/:

The senior class sponsors, office staff, and administration are making plans for the 2020 graduation in July. The 2020 class motto is: *Cherish the memories-Believe in the future-Grow from the*

hardships-Always be a bluejay at heart. Class colors are: Navy and White, and the class flower is Lisianthus.

Seniors will return iPads, textbooks, school/district-owned items, and spring athletic gear during the week of May 18th. Seniors will have access to USD 113 Gmail accounts through the end of July in order to be informed of all graduation details prior to the event.

Summer School / Credit Recovery letters were delivered to families the week of May 1st. Students requiring Summer School will begin the process immediately is possible via the Edgenuity platform.

An Eighth Grade Orientation video along with SHS staff introductions has been sent to Class of 2024 students and families in an effort to welcome them to SHS and provide helpful information.

A virtual athletic recognition is being offered in place of the traditional banquet. Student-athletes will receive awards via mail during the week of May 18th. In addition, a video will be distributed via a Youtube link in order to ensure that all sports are recognized.

Students who have earned academic awards and scholarship recipients will be recognized via mail the week of May 11th. A complete program will be included in the mailings.

Learning Opportunities:

Educators continue to encourage students to be diligent in completing assignments and projects. Frequent communication between staff, students, families, and school administration continues to take place in an effort to support all learners. Teachers are evaluating how content has been delivered during Continuous Learning and are considering how positive elements can be incorporated into how instruction occurs in the future. In addition, elements of instruction that are proving to be ineffective are being adjusted/replaced in order to best serve learners.

Respectfully Submitted

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