**Superintendent Leonard Whalen: Board Report for August 29, 2022**

**Items of involvement (not all-inclusive) since our July 25, 2022 Board Meeting:**

Our school year back with students is off to a tremendous start. Students and staff both have been excited to be back “at it.” I’ve had multiple staff tell me this has been the best opening of school we’ve ever had. Our preschool numbers have grown which is extremely positive.

We continue to have the following items “on the front burner” and are working diligently on these:

 - Preschool expansion seems to be going very well – numbers continue to grow

 - Ele/HS Coating Project – Bid to come shortly on this.

 - Jr/Sr High HVAC Project

 - We have a water leak issue in the HS that we are trying to resolve

Discussion Items:

 - Custodial and Foodservice pay scale (bus drivers and others to potentially follow)

 - Create additional, specific Covid sick day (isolation) and medical professional ordered Covid quarantine days for staff

A sampling of Superintendent activities over the last several weeks:

Wed-Fri July 27/9th: - Our Admin Team attended annual KASA Conference in Louisville

Mon. Aug. 1st: - Participated in Zoom call w/ Commissioner of Education & eastern KY flooding Supt.

 - Conducted Principal Leadership Meeting

Tue. Aug. 2nd: - Attended WKEC Certified Evaluation Update with multiple of our leadership team

 - Attended golf match in Hopkinsville

Wed. Aug. 3rd: - Attended staff PD with Larry Bell (it was excellent)

Tr/Fr. Aug. 4/5th: - Staff PD

Mon. Aug. 8th: - Attended the Back to School Bash

Tue. Aug. 9th: - Opening Day

Thur. Aug. 11th: - Participated in Zoom call w/ Commissioner of Education & eastern KY flooding Supt.

Fri. Aug. 12th: - Attended dinner with a few “ALL A” Statewide Tournament Directors

Tue. Aug. 16th: - Met with State Rep Myron Dossett and State Senator Whitney Westerfield regarding relief funding needs in our district & communicated with Rep Robby Mills & Jim Gooch

Thur. Aug. 18th: - Participated in Zoom call w/ Commissioner of Education & eastern KY flooding Supt.

 - Welcomed Olivia Krauth with the Louisville Courier Journal as she reported on the new school year and how we were bouncing back from the tornado

Fri. Aug. 19th: - Conducted regularly scheduled Admin Leadership Team meeting

Mon. Aug, 22nd: - Met with State Rep Melinda Prunty regarding support for potential legislation help

Tue. Aug. 23rd: - Attended regular Dawson Springs Rotary meeting

Wed. Aug. 24th: - Attended regularly scheduled WKEC Supt meeting

Thur. Aug. 25th: - Participated in Zoom call w/ Commissioner of Education & eastern KY flooding Supt.

 - Attended Dawson Springs Educational Foundation Meeting

Fri. Aug. 26th: - Conducted regularly scheduled Principal Leadership Group Meeting

On the radar for the coming month:

 - Continue to be visible and available in our schools and our community

 - Attend regular DS Rotary Meetings

 - Attend both WKEC and GRREC scheduled meetings in July