



September 27, 2023

Facilities, Transportation, Safe Schools, and Evaluation

Safety:

- The Livewell Newport group in partnership with Newport Schools will conduct a safety walk in late October for the Safe Routes to School walk/audit. More information will follow concluding the walk.
- First Aid kits and CPR resuscitating masks have been added to all AED locations.
- The mobile reunification tub has been created and is ready at any moment's notice to be on the scene of a reunification site.

Facilities

- On Thursday, September 21, we held the pre-construction meeting with Blau Mechanical for the boiler project. Three new water boilers will replace the two existing water boilers for NIS. Changing to 3 boilers will increase our redundancy and will create less strain vs. running one single boiler at a time. Also, this configuration along with the more modern equipment will increase our overall efficiency from 79% to about 90%. This will provide savings over time and obviously with new equipment we will save on repair costs. The steam boiler for the Welcome Center has been ordered but due to lead times it realistically will not be installed until we pass the upcoming winter heating season. Repairs will be made to the existing boiler to limp us through this winter.
- The bleacher project at the stadium is going well and all contractors are doing their best to complete the project as soon as possible. Upon completion we will still be subject to various inspections that may take some time.
- The punch list meeting for the NPS roofing project will take place on Tuesday, September 26. More information will be shared at the board meeting if necessary.
- The CTE project at NHS has taken many shapes and versions. We believe we have landed at a conclusion that will stay within our budget. The existing print shop area will be completely renovated. A new business classroom will be added to possibly provide flexibility with course offerings. Existing business classrooms will be renovated to include newly wired Mac labs. Furthermore, the carpentry classroom will have a new garage door added to better utilize the space and flexibility of bringing large materials in and out of the classroom.

Transportation:

- We are patiently waiting for Bus 6 to arrive. Our latest update is that it was in route to Georgetown, KY.
- I am requesting the Board to surplus the 2013 Ford E350 Van. This is a 15-passenger van that is no longer permitted to transport students. The condition of the van as it is now still has

considerable value and specifically the request is to surplus the van with the intent to use it to gain trade-in value on a 9-passenger van, which can transport students.

Evaluation:

- All certified staff have completed the self-reflection and professional growth plan phase of the evaluation process. Moving forward, my focus will be on the timelines of our evaluations and ensuring each of them meet board and state requirements.

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