



October 18, 2023

Facilities, Transportation, Safe Schools, and Evaluation

Safety:

- The Livewell Newport group in partnership with Newport Independent staff will conduct a Safe Routes to School audit on Tuesday, October 17, 2023. At this point we have approximately 24 volunteers. We will be stationed at key intersections for the morning arrival and afternoon dismissal. I will be able to share additional details at the October 18 board meeting.
- Stryker evacuation chairs have been installed at NIS and NPS to assist with the evacuation of anyone on an upper floor.

Facilities

- Three water boilers have arrived and are currently being installed. These will supply the heat for NIS. We left one water boiler in place for NIS to serve as a back-up if there were any issues with the new boilers. We will soon begin the re-tubing of the steam boiler for the Welcome Center to ensure we have heat for this winter.
- The bleacher project at the stadium is continuing to go well. We are still hopeful to have a playoff game played at Newport in early November. We did do a change order to the project to install fencing under the bleachers to prevent people from being able to go under the bleachers. This will help with supervision and overall safety.
- Comtek Interiors replaced the flooring in the Archives Room and a couple of small areas at NHS. This work should conclude the flooring projects that started a couple of years.

Transportation:

- We are patiently waiting for Bus 6 to arrive. Our latest update is that it was in route to Georgetown, KY.

Evaluation:

- I am currently working on the process to perform quality control checks of all certified evaluations to ensure all certified staff are receiving the appropriate evaluations for where they are on their cycles.

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