

Superintendent's Report

May 26, 2015

Chair David Jones, members of the Board; it is my pleasure to call your attention to a few items of special interest.

The *Code of Acceptable Behavior and Discipline and the Student Bill of Rights* sets the behavioral expectations for our students, and the expectations for our staff regarding appropriate consequences. It was approved by the Board last year on June 10, 2014. Training happened last summer to ensure consistency. The code is just one piece of a system of support — it sets the expectations. PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support), Restorative Practices, and Student Response Teams work to promote behaviors that do not violate the code. Tonight, we are submitting editing changes only.

On April 27, 2015, the Board approved the submission of a revised waiver request for a waiver of accountability administrative procedures and guidelines for Limited English Proficiency (LEP) students that would provide relief from the requirements in 703 KAR 5:240 in order to consider both English language and content proficiency in definitions of academic achievement. Any LEP student who scores low on the English language proficiency assessment would have their accountability for any state assessment attributed to the district, not the school. We were notified by the Kentucky Department of Education that state and federal regulations prohibit the State Board approval of the waiver. The next step would be for the state to request a waiver at the federal level.

One of our goals this year is to enroll 3500 students in Early Childhood Education by Day 1. We currently already have 2656 enrolled. I will keep the Board updated as the number increases.

We are still on target for the Success Pathways school on Bashford Manor Lane. The work is continuing with an emphasis on student placement, staffing, and defining and developing professional development.

The next community stakeholders' meetings for the *JCPS Strategic Plan: Vision 2020* are scheduled on the following dates:

- Thursday, May 28, 6 p.m., at Westport Middle School, 8100 Westport Road
- Two Spanish-language meetings to be held at La Casita Center, 223 East Magnolia Street on Wednesday, May 27, 6 p.m., and Friday, May 29, 10 a.m.
- Special on-line meeting, Tuesday, June 2, 6-8 p.m., accessible from a link

The community input will inform the development of *Vision 2020*, the basis for targeting resources and research-based strategies for maximum impact.

A community meeting regarding the new Norton Commons elementary school boundaries is scheduled this Wednesday, May 27, 7 p.m., at Chancey Elementary School, 4301 Murphy Lane.

Congratulations to Doss High School as a grand prize winner of the *Lead2Feed World Hunger Leadership Challenge*. The Kentucky Refugee Ministries will receive \$25,000. Doss High School will receive \$20,000 in Apple products. A ceremony is planned at the school on Friday, May 29, 11 a.m.

Chair Jones, this concludes my report and my recommendation for approval of the consent agenda later in the meeting.

