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February Regular Board of Education Meeting

As I write this report we have missed 5 days of school during the 17 school year. Closing day is currently May 4th for most schools.

We have approximately 55 days of school left and the state assessment window begins in approximately 41 days. All reports/data/observations/monitoring visits continue to indicate that we are having another very strong academic year for kids. Preparing kids for a successful future is and will continue to be our ultimate goal.

Legislature is back in session with several bills being considered that will have an impact on education. We will keep you updated as we get information on bills that impact education. It is important to note that the new accountability model as well as SB 1(bill that changes accountability system) continue to be considered and shaped. These acts may impact how our schools/districts are measured however, it will not change our focus which is to provide a world class education for EVERY CHILD in Floyd County.

As you are aware the KSBA winter conference is next week. I anticipate we will learn a great deal about legislative actions/bills, the new accountability model as well as other areas that will enable us as a TEAM to better serve our kids.

Construction continues to be a major focus as we work to ensure the projects we have for kids are done with high quality work, and timely for our needs. We are pleased with continued progress but continue to monitor/provide feedback on the work. Additionally, the current end date of school will enhance our ability to have a smooth transition this summer. Even more time will be dedicated from our staff in the near future to ensure a smooth/efficient transition. I can't say enough about the amazing work of our team that has made everything go extremely well to this point.

Digital conversion is going amazingly well in our district. In my many visits and review of reports from staff, kids are using devices on regular basis to enhance educational opportunities. While we still have growth in this area, next year will be our first FULL year of complete digital conversion. All kids and teachers grades 5-12 will have a device. Thank you for your courageous leadership for our kids.

Lastly, thank you for the opportunity to serve our kids with such an amazing team. As the largest employer in the county and one of the largest east of I75, WE HAVE A GREAT TEAM!!!!

Thank you for your service for our KIDS!!!

We sincerely appreciate your leadership.

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