**Superintendent Leonard Whalen: Board Report for September 25, 2023**

**Items of involvement (not all-inclusive) since our August 28, 2023 Board Meeting:**

The start of school has been tremendous as we’ve gotten the 2023-2024 school year off and running. While we’ve had to work around some construction wrap-up at the HS things have still gone very well. Our staff has been flexible and we’re quickly closing in on the end of the HVAC project. The initial pieces of the final punch list to complete the project are currently underway. I would like to have a walkthrough of both schools with the board and any interested visitors at 5:15pm prior to our next board meeting on October 30th. This would be to simply take a tour and see some of the work that’s been done.

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

- Ele/HS Coating Project – We are in the final phase of completing documentation, project complete.

- Jr/Sr High HVAC Project – This project is near physical completion.

- We continue to struggle mightily and need substitutes in all areas.

A sampling of Superintendent activities over the last several weeks:

Tue. Aug. 30th: - Conducted Opening Day for Staff

Wed. Aug. 30th: - 1st Day for students

Wed. Sept. 6th: - Attended West Hopkins Industries Board Meeting

- Attended construction meeting on HS HVAC

Thur. Sept. 7th: - Conducted regularly scheduled Administrator Team Meeting

- Attended meeting/tour with Caldwell County ATC Supt.

Tue. Sept. 12th: - Attended DS Rotary meeting

- Attended monthly Commissioner webinar

W-F. Sept. 13th-15th: - Attended State Assessment cut score setting in Frankfort

Wed. Sept. 20th: - Attended virtual Commissioner/Supt. Advisory Council meeting

Thur. Sept. 21st: - Conducted regularly scheduled Administrator Team 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

- Present at the Hopkins County Chamber of Commerce Oct. 19th

Other upcoming meetings:

- Sept. 26th: Certified Focus Group Luncheon

- Sept. 27th: Classified Focus Group Luncheon

- Sept. 26th: Parent/Friends of Education Focus Group Luncheon

- Sept. 27th: Business & Community Leader Focus Group Luncheon

- Oct. 4th: - Elementary Student Focus Group Luncheon

- Oct. 5th: -MS/HS Student Focus Group Luncheon