

December 13, 2023

Facilities, Transportation, Safe Schools, and Evaluation

Safety:

- The Kentucky Center for School Safety will be conducting an assessment of the NPS in March of 2024. This will be an in-depth assessment of the building evaluating all things related to student and staff safety.
- We replaced an ageing backboard and both basketball rims at Newport High School in the gymnasium.

<u>Facilities</u>

- No additional updates on the boiler project currently. We are waiting for materials to arrive to
 continue the work. Three new water boilers to supply heat to NIS are in place. One of the
 original existing water boilers is up and running now to provide NIS heat until the new units are
 completed connected. This will take place during the Winter Break. The steam boiler for the
 Welcome Center underwent repairs to make it operational for one more winter. The new steam
 boiler will be installed once all parts have arrived. Most likely this will occur in early Spring.
- We are completing the punch-list at the stadium on December 7 for the Phase I work that has been completed.
- Our architect is currently working on the drawings for the CTE project that will take place at NHS.
- We are currently making plans to relocate the Newport School of Innovation from its current location on Park Street to the Welcome Center. We have space on the second floor to accommodate the program. We currently spend over \$40,000 to lease the space. For approximately \$10,500 we can renovate the space and save general fund dollars moving forward.

Transportation:

- We are still waiting for Bus 6 to arrive. Our latest update is that it was in route to Georgetown,
 KY.
- Once we have Bus 6, we will be upgrading our camera systems on the remaining buses.

Evaluation:

- I have completed an audit of our evaluation cycles for our certified staff to ensure we are on the correct cycle for all staff.
- We are currently researching a new online platform to conduct our walkthroughs and all evaluation processes, including the tracking of our required professional development. This has the potential to save the district a considerable amount of money.

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