

April 24, 2024

Facilities, Transportation, Safe Schools, and Evaluation

Safety:

- On February 22, we participated in a Zoom meeting with Navigate to investigate the possibility of purchasing their Threat Assessment Case Manager add-on. This product will serve as our clearinghouse for all threat assessments, and it will thoroughly take every situation through a consistent process that will help us determine the level of a threat and provide us guidance on any necessary next steps. Each time a threat assessment is conducted an alert will notify central office staff so we can always be aware of a situation. This software will allow all assessments to be carried forward from NPS to NIS and then on to NHS. Mr. Voelker has reviewed the contract and has approved its language. I will be requesting the Board's approval for this contract.
- We installed key fobs on the NPS Library doors to further secure a common area space so that those doors can always remain locked.
- Black out shades and blinds have been installed in the space for the Newport School of Innovation area.

Facilities

- Brentwood Landscaping planted 26 arborvitae trees at the stadium. The selected trees will greatly reduce the necessary maintenance issues that we have dealt with for many years. We also purchased a wind screen that will cover the fence between the trees and the tennis court area. The material is red with black trim. We will install this in May.
- No significant update on the boiler project. All the required parts have arrived. The boilers are now shut off for the season. Work should resume soon to finish this project.
- I have continued working on preparations for smaller projects that will take place at the schools over the summer months.
- Our architect is currently working on the technical drawings for the CTE project that will take place at NHS. In the coming weeks we will have a timeline for the work schedule. Once the details are in place for the CTE project, Noah will then move on to more specific plans for Phase II of the stadium.

Transportation:

- We conducted our mandatory bus evacuation drills last week at all schools.
- The transportation department will tentatively have its required annual 8-hour update training on August 1, 2024.

Evaluation:

• I met with all principals and assistant principals to review the completion of the evaluation process for all certified staff. There are still a few evaluations to complete but we are on pace to have all of them completed to meet the timeline of our Certified Evaluation Plan.

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