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Executive Director Board Report - February

Staff News

- Staff gathered on Friday, Feb. 16th for their 3rd school wide Peaceful Schools training
- Feedback on this shared work of occupying brave spaces and being honest and transparent with adult peers was positive. Staff are excited to continue this work.
- Peaceful Schools will work with MS and UE teams throughout the spring to pilot a variety of additional lessons (joking, teasing, and bullying at the MS level) and coaching sessions to help teach students some of what teachers are learning.
- The i-Ready and EasyCBM winter testing window is complete
- Teachers are meeting with their grade level teams and one-on-one with their Directors to review the data, progress, and identify next steps based on student performance – both in communication of progress during the upcoming parent teacher conference window and also in their day to day instructional practice.
- WIDA Access Testing is in process (Multilingual Learners, up from 20 school wide to 49)
- **ILT** continues to meet monthly. It is growing into a true representative body. Reps are adding to the agenda and driving discussion. Topics for March through June include ***Evaluation Process, Professional Development, the Bridge between Gen.ED, ML services, 504 Support, MTTs Frameworks, and EC services***
- UE and MS students are talking to Sam during the Strategic Planning Weekly Meetings (Wednesday, 12:30)
- Directors will continue coaching (observations, individual meetings, goal review, and evaluations) and formally evaluating staff (weekly and bi-monthly) through the end of March – ahead of contract renewals in early April

School News

- Monthly Academy tours continue co-lead by Fay Masterson and JoAnne Amazan
- Elementary Tours for non-enrolled/interested parents – two in January with over 150 participants, two in February
- We had 94% of our staff complete the Annual Staff Survey last week. Ryan and Katie will have a visual for the Board at the April or May Board meeting for review. We are proud of this high turn out and our staff's deep commitment to offering high quality feedback to the board and administrative team. Parent Surveys will launch in late February/early March.

- 2023-2024 budget preparations have started – with a particular focus on the MTSS and Intervention Programs, with the LE/CH structure at the heart of this work – early intervention – in an attempt to do a better job serving our youngest and most vulnerable learners
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- Winter Parent Education Nights are happening – CH, LE, and MS all went well with good attendance. UE is later this month.

Facilities, Maintenance, and Tech

- Land Survey in process, near completion
- Tech issues/tech tickets are at a historically low number
- Tech has been working diligently to ensure that all laptops have the correct programs that are needed for testing