

Schools:

Junior/Senior High:

- The high school administration and faculty analyzed student growth scores for the 24-25 school year. The Jr./Sr. High School is commended for their efforts and I am excited to see their achievement results.
- Counselors are meeting with parents/guardians regarding the 25-26 student schedules.
- Differentiated Supervision Model at the Jr./Sr. High School is progressing nicely. Staff have embraced the process and have implemented a number of high yield instructional strategies.
- Dr. Lauver and Ms. Cole have addressed a number of student truancy through SAIP process and meeting with the magistrate.
- Aislinn Connors and Jakob Massey are this month's students of the month.
- Unified Bocce qualified for the playoffs.
- Aislinn Connors participated in PMEA District 1 Band West.
- Thor Rago, Brianna Harrison, Tyler Matchett, and Alivia Howell received an attendance incentive selected among all students who missed 2 or fewer days in a nine weeks. The incentive was funded by the FC Foundation.
- Madelyn Cushey & Andrew Hicks were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society at Parkway West CTC.
- Katelyn Willyerd was recognized for coordinating the first ever Ag Career Day. Approximately 15 employers were present, and feedback was overwhelmingly positive.

Elementary Center:

- The abbreviated Flight School has been completed and the second wave has begun.
- The following teachers applied for and received a mini-grant from the Fort Cherry Foundation: Kim Harvey, Jen Johns, Matt Parson, Andrea Putt, and Alicia Shea.
- After School Acceleration Program will be held March 3rd through April 10th on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Athletics:

Boys Basketball: Finished the year 13-9. 2nd place in the conference. Lost a 1st round WPIAL playoff game to Union. JV team finished the year 12-4 overall. 7th grade team finished the year 6-6. 8th grade team finished the year 12-2.

Girls Basketball: Currently 19-3 overall. Won a back to back section title where they were co-champions with South Side. Won a 1st round WPIAL playoff game vs. California. Will play in the WPIAL Quarterfinals on Friday Feb 21st vs. South Side at South Fayette High School.

Unified Bocce: Qualified for the sectional playoffs. Won a playoff game and finished 2nd in their section. Waiting on word on a possible wildcard regional playoff berth.

Girls Wrestling: 4 girls on Varsity team and 3 currently on Jr. High team. Ella Trahan (South Fayette Co-Op) won a WPIAL title at 106 lbs. She is the first girl in FC Co-Op history to win a WPIAL title. She qualified for regionals for next week.

Boys Wrestling: Braedon Welsh 1st in sectionals, Shawn Robertson 4th in sectionals and Christian Yanosko 5th in sectional qualified for the WPIAL individual championships which will be held on February 21st and 22nd at Chartiers Valley. The Jr. High team has high numbers and was highly competitive this year.

7/8 Girls Volleyball: Has started their season with 2 wins against Eden Christian and West Allegheny. Very high participation numbers in 7/8 volleyball.

Spring Sports: Practice is scheduled to begin on Monday March 3rd.

Technology

- Held a Tech Rangers recruitment meeting along with the HS Assistant Principal to see if more students would be interested in volunteering their time during study halls to help out. We now have a dozen students who have signed up and are assisting with Chromebook repairs and other tech items.
- Following the IU Cybersecurity Event, I signed up with MS-ISAC to make sure the district is receiving advisory emails. I also attended several webinars to go over the cyber threat prevention services they provide.
- Desktop upgrades are nearly complete and the new devices are working well. Meetings are scheduled with Upcycle and some of the other vendors that we work with to go over device buyback options.
- Set up the Newline interactive display panel we are demoing in one of the EC classrooms and Newline was able to stop by to hold a brief demo of their board at the end of January. They are returning later this month to provide a more thorough demonstration for the entire elementary staff. This is likely the board we will be recommending for purchase as a replacement for the failing Promethean boards.
- Working with Barracuda to upgrade our on-site backup appliance. This is a free upgrade as part of our subscription.

Pupil Services and District Safety Coordinator

Attended Safety/Security Meeting 1/27

Attended CRDC Information Meeting 2/5

Attended Federal Programs Meeting 2/6

Attended Department Head Meeting 2/11

Attended Canvas instructional Management system meeting on 2/13

Attended Special Education Corrective Action Meeting 2/14

Hanna Gigler presented to staff during the 2/14 professional development on the importance in utilizing the positive behavior support plans in their classrooms that accompany students with IEP's.

GUIDANCE

The K–12 339 plan is on the agenda for approval at February board meeting. High School Counselors are meeting with individual students regarding their schedules and career/college interests. This info will form the master schedule grid in the month of March.

With the assistance of Guidance, I will be taking students to West Liberty University for a tour, lunch, and presentation. I will also be meeting with Senior Education majors about the teaching profession.

GIFTED

A new gifted procedures manual has been revised and has been distributed to the gifted and talented teacher. Training has begun with this teacher and will be on-going through October.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Monitoring: Meaningful consultations for nonpublic schools will take place on 2/19 at 8:30 am. Attending the next Federal Programs meeting that is scheduled for March 06, 2025. Elementary Life Skills (currently 5 students): Planning for ESY has begun. Teachers are identifying students that would qualify for extended school year.

Paraprofessionals: We are currently fully staffed.

Building and Grounds

Masonry Meeting w/ Grant from Garland, Mary and Renee to determine Bidding.

Mandatory Winter sports coaches meeting.

I introduced myself to all district custodians and maintenance staff, establishing clear communication regarding my expectations. I exchanged contact information with everyone and informed them that I will be conducting an inspection of their areas in three weeks on a weekend.

Spoke with maintenance on any immediate concerns for the district. A report will be provided to administration.

H.S. Cafeteria Hot water issue, called out Bruno plumbing.

H.S. Grease trap overflowing, scheduled Bruno plumbing for 2/17/2025. (The District will need to purchase a new pump; the old one is broken.)

Multiple facilities walk through.

Identified District Maintenance immediate concerns: Masonry for elementary & H.S. building, District sidewalk project, Football stadium and track project, LED lighting project Doors and maglocks. Etc.

Evaluate current FMX maintenance management work order system.

Meeting with Siemens and police officer Mike Ziemianski on doors, maglocks etc.

Pre-bid masonry project meeting with Grant, Mary and Renee and a number of contractors in the H.S. Auditorium.

Meeting with Becky Uchic, on LED lighting for the district with Tom Samosky, Renee Miller, Mary Buford and Pam Staley.

Meeting with A-1 Concrete to get pricing on leveling sidewalks for both buildings and proper caulking.

Cleaner Interviews held.

Meeting with Harry Spadafora and A-1 Concrete for measurements of sidewalks and curb replacement and proper caulking.

High School and Elementary School Inspections held on 2/15/2025 and 2/16/2025. I also had to open the Elementary gym and H.S. gym, no custodian would work overtime.

Met with PSEA representatives and union leadership over staff call offs, overtime and pay roll.

State Funding Applications, Mandates and Updates:

Met with LED grant coordinator to determine lighting needs in both buildings.

Met with new Building and Grounds Director and reviewed needs.

Met with Principal's recommendation for a new online learning platform (Canvas).

Department Head and Lead Teacher meeting held to review progress on District Initiatives.

Awarded 24-25 PCCD Funding.

Met with Youth Wrestling to assist with planning and address concerns with their tournament.

Attended Anatomage Table training.

Met with Bradley Center regarding our MH counselors performance at both schools.

Stadium Bid project review and opening

Laudermill Disciplinary Hearing held.

Met with PSEA regarding school nurses.

Emergency Shooter Training was held on January 26, 2025. The fire department feedback was excellent.

Winter Youth Sports meeting was held to address policy and safety violations.

Penn State student teacher advisory meeting.

Severe Weather Drill training.

Met with Bus contractor to address concerns.

Met with student and staff volunteers to attend the Washington County "Tax Expo" on March 12, 2025, to promote the District.

IU1 Advisory Council Meeting to address upcoming Student Showcase at Penn West University.

Addressed a number of parent concerns regarding truancy and discipline.

Addressed parent concerns regarding Bed Bug concern at the Elementary Center.

Met with Fort Cherry Golf Club