## **Superintendent Board Report**

## Schools:

The High School faculty has continued to implement ESSER-related acceleration programs in grades 7-12. The Intervention Specialist, counselors and teachers met and discussed student needs as related to course failures.

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade teachers and counselors are developing a new 7<sup>th</sup> grade orientation schedule that will provide more time for students to explore their schedule. The team recommended having a dinner prior to the teacher presentation to familiarize students with the cafeteria and to welcome students and parents to the building.

The high school was able to complete a number of interviews for the open Drama Director position. A candidate was selected and submitted to the board for approval.

A meeting was held on 11/10/22, to address electrical upgrades at the Jr./Sr. High School. The District will complete the upgrades during the winter holiday break.

Counselor meeting was held to address Graduation Pathways needs regarding new PDE mandates.

PVAAS projection data was provided to teachers for academic interventions and upcoming student course selections.

As a result of the District's website provider being purchased by another vendor, the District met with several other providers to ascertain service costs and potential transition dates.

The high school guidance counselors met with the Challenge Program representatives to seek funding for student recognition programs.

Met with SHASDA superintendents to discuss student recognition program to be held in the spring.

Donkey Basketball fundraiser was held for the senior class on November 23, 2022.

Finalized Act 13 Teacher Evaluations for the 2021-2022 school year.

# **Elementary Center:**

Met with both bus contractors to discuss if we would be able to possibly move tech. ed. to morning sessions next year.

The students welcomed veterans to celebrate Veteran's day and perform an assembly for them.

The school had a coin drive this week. In total, the children raised nearly \$2,000 that will be donated to The Wounded Warrior Project!

# Athletics:

Golf Team - Finished the year as AA Section 4 Co Champs with an 11-1 section record. Three

golfers (Sam Schuman, AJ Taroli, and Braden Dombroski advanced to the WPIAL AA

Championship Final round at Oakmont Country club. The FC team advanced to the AA WPIAL Team Championship Semi Finals. The Golf team had an excellent year.

**Cross Country** – did not have any medalists in the WPIAL cross country championships. Raised 1,914.50 for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention at their 5 k on October 30th . **Volleyball Team** – Finished the year 12 – 6 overall and in 3 rd place in the section. Lost in the preliminary round of the WPIAL playoffs to Burrell. All conference Volleyball – 1 st team – Taylor Campbell. 2 nd team – Jillian McCarty. 3 rd team – Kylie Chipps and Raney Staub **JV volleyball team** – finished the year 14-4 overall.

Jr. High Football Team – finished the year a perfect 8 – 0 overall. They have been undefeated for 3 years.

**Varsity Football team** – finished the year 8-4 overall and lost to Rochester in the Quarterfinals of the WPIAL playoffs. All – conference - 1 st team - Athlete, Defensive Back and Offensive player of the year – Matt Sieg , Running Back – Ethan Faletto, Defensive Line – Dominic Salvini Linebacker – Lou Ryan. Second team all-conference – DB – Shane Cornali, DL – Brayden Kirby, Honorable Mention – LB – Corey Bouchelle, WR – Braydon Cook, OL – Lou Ryan, OL – Brayden Kirby, Kicker – Nick Massey. Co-coach of the year – Tanner Garry

**JV football** – finished the year 2 – 2 overall.

Soccer – finished their season a 6 – 10 and 2 record. All conference – Dylan Wudkywch and Katie Blickenderfer.

7 th /8 th grade girls' basketball – 8 th grade finished the year 10 -5 and 7th grade finished the year 6
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**Winter Sports** - Started practicing on November 18th . Over the past few weeks several teams have participated in scrimmages. The official season opened up this past weekend with the

**Fort Cherry Basketball tip off tourney and Wrestling** traveled to the Chartiers Houston Tournament. The Boys basketball team is currently the 3rd ranked team in AA in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette basketball ranking. We are looking forward to a strong winter season from all of our boys' and girls' squads.

#### Student Services/Technology

**Freight Farm:** Electric install is completed. Training will be scheduled with the core team shortly. The team is also discussing the roll out of the associated courses in the program for 2023–24.

**Livestream Unit**: We are investigating the purchase of a mobile cart for production, similar to that of those used in medical facilities, to make transportation easier and accessible for events. **Website**: The website survey results and recommendations have been shared with Mr. Samosky for the recommendation of the new provider. The provider will have the site and app functional likely within 12 weeks. When ready and tested, we will launch it along with holding training and promotion around the site and the new app as a way to improve district communications.

#### SPECIAL EDUCATION

**Indicator 13 Training**: Most High School special education teachers and administrators have completed the state-required Indicator 13 training. The required training is due by February 28, 2023.

IEP Meetings: Since the last board meeting, I participated in 16 IEP meetings.

Child Count: Child Count is complete. A big thank you to Debbie Schaub and Carol Staley for making this process quick and easy. Our current student count is 187 students with IEP's in the District, representing 19.85% of our overall student population.

**Special Education Plan**: Teacher teams began meeting this week about the District's Special Education Plan for 2023–2026. Community members will be invited to participate in the process in late December/early January. The entire plan will be ready for review in March, with tentative request for Board approval in April 2023.

## GUIDANCE

**Graduation Pathways**: School counselors have worked with all members of the Class of 2023 to determine a pathway for graduation. To date we have 1 student who is in process of finding an appropriate pathway. All other students meet pathway requirements, assuming that currently-registered credits are earned.

**High School Scheduling**: The team is finalizing the High School course selections for the 2023– 24 school year. The course selection sheets for High School level students will be distributed on January 17 and due on January 31. The goal is that all student schedules are complete and distributed to families prior to the final day of school. Slight adjustments may be required over the summer, but most work will be complete.

## FEDERAL PROGRAMS

The Department of Federal Programs issued its list of monitored schools. Fort Cherry will not be monitored until its cyclical spot on next year's rotation. This means that the District does not display any significant risk factors that require earlier monitoring.

## SPECIAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP

**Observations**: I am working to complete all non-tenured observations prior to Winter Break. I am down to 2 to complete.

#### **Facilities and Grounds**

Continuing to pick up leaves around campus Repaired sneeze guard on the serving line in HS kitchen Removed and replaced broken desk in HS classroom Continuing to trim and mow campus grounds Picked up trash and branches around campus Repaired hot water line leak above HS cafe door Set up HS gym for games Picked up food for helping hands at cherry valley estates Repaired door handle on HS classroom 206 Installed an additional desk and chair in HS classroom 201 and 101 Cleaned up brush pile and debri near pole building Removed the toilet from the wall in HS 1st floors boys restroom due to a clog. Maintenance found an apple stuck inside. Reinstalled toilet Repaired door lock on HS gym entrance door Painted and set up football field for playoff game Unloaded delivery of sidewalk salt at the pole building Cleaned out clay traps in HS and Elementary art rooms Replaced electrical outlet in HS classroom 103 Christmas tree and decorations taken out of storage for setup

Set up HS gym for pep assembly Repaired announcers chair in stadium press box Helped kitchen with unloading large government food order Prepped athletic fields for ground aeration Installed salt spreader and plow on F-250 truck Continuing to pick up leaves around campus Picked up aerator for athletic fields, aerated all athletic fields and returned equipment same day Winterized sprinkler system and concession stand at football stadium Removed sound system from announcers booth and placed in storage Installed salt spreader and plow on utility vehicle Replaced window hinges on ground floor classroom window Set up risers on HS auditorium stage for pictures Salted campus sidewalks and roads Repaired heater in floral greenhouse Installed coat hooks in HS nurses office Replaced sink drain in HS 1st floor women's restroom Removed and disposed of old books from three HS classrooms Electrical hookup for freight farm being installed Replaced belt on exhaust fan in floral greenhouse Repaired heater in HS office Installed two banners in HS gym Restocked supplies in Elementary building Prepped school van for use Repaired restroom door lock in HS nurses office Continuing to bring angel tree deliveries to HS ISS room Prepped school van for use Emptied recycle bins in Elementary hallways Set up table and chairs outside of HS cafe for military multiple days Repaired padding on basketball hoops in HS gym Repaired sink in Elementary kitchen

Set up table and chairs in Life Skills classroom for Thanksgiving meal Unloaded delivery of chairs for HS office Set up Christmas tree decorations in HS lobby Repaired door closer on Elementary gym door Unloaded two pallets of copy paper at the Elementary and placed in storage Picked up coat racks and placed on Elementary stage for chorus rehearsals Removed fence on Elementary playground for tree removal Continuing to pick up leaves around campus Electric hookup to Freight Farm completed Set up HS gym for donkey basketball

# State Funding Applications and Mandates:

Both schools continue to gather data on the effectiveness of ESSER Acceleration efforts at both schools.

The District's faculty has been invited to meet with the Fort Cherry Education Foundation on January 11, 2023, at 6:00 PM to gather feedback regarding school-based needs and to help gain direction regarding future Foundation-related fundraising initiatives.

Indicator 13 Superintendent Training completed.