

Report to the Joint School Committees

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Entry Plan

The draft of my entry report findings will be shared at this meeting. I look forward to ongoing discussions of my impressions. I am most appreciative of the entire community's enthusiasm and willingness to participate.

Strategic Planning

Invitations have been issued for the 35-member Planning Team. The response has been fantastic. 10 parents to date have expressed interest in participation. The staff also responded positively with all but 2 slots filled. Representatives of other groups are almost 100% in place. I will finalize the list next week and ensure everything is in place for the February 5 session.

I am proposing dates for two forums to complement the Leadership and Planning Team sessions:

Monday, February 12	7 p.m.
Tuesday, February 26	11 a.m.

The consultant begins work with the Leadership Team on January 30.

Mindfulness

The Mindfulness Strategic Planning Committee met to begin drafting action plans for each school. I continue to be impressed with the energy and enthusiasm of the staff from each school.

Cultural Proficiency

As outlined in the implementation plan, there is much happening relative to cultural proficiency. I attended all five staff meetings in January to present the accommodation policy. The newly formed committee meets for the first time on January 30. Both the CCHS and CMS School Advisory Councils will review handbooks for alignment with the policy. The next Policy Subcommittee meeting on February 1 will address any alignment issues with other school committee policies. During the week of the January 22, I will share the policy with the parent

community. Administrative training as to how cultural proficiency pertains to the evaluation rubric will be scheduled for the first two weeks in February.

Communication and Collaboration

Despite a choppy start to 2018 given the weather, I continue to visit classrooms in all of the schools. I also attended the Rotary Club meeting on January 18 and met with the Concord Children's Center as to their upcoming needs that will be shared in February.

Response to Intervention

Dr. Jerry Goldberg is in the district on January 30 to host training for both CMS and CCHS as to Response to Intervention. This effort aligns with the district and school goals.

STEAM Innovation Lab

The first round of visits to Ripley started earlier this week. It has a huge success for the students to immerse in extended STEAM activities over the course of a day. The vision continues to become reality.

Commissioner of Education Finalists Named

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education announced the names of the three finalists for Commissioner this week:

- Angelica Infante-Green: Deputy Commission of the Office of Instructional Support in the New York State Department of Education
- Jeffrey Riley: Superintendent/Receiver of the Lawrence Public Schools
- Penny Schwinn: Chief Deputy Commissioner of Academics at the Texas Education Agency

The Board of Education is expected to select a candidate by the end of the month.

EDCO and CASE Board of Directors

I regularly attend meetings of both the EDCO and CASE Collaborative Board of Directors as do the superintendents of all member districts. EDCO is currently searching for an Executive Director. I will attend finalist interviews over the next few weeks. Other school committees are active in the EDCO Board of Directors. I am happy to provide more information at your request.

K-8 Special Education Review

I am working with the leadership team to create a cost effective but thorough proposal for a K-8 special education review that we hope to have completed this spring. This will be money well spent to provide guidance for future plans. The current cost proposal under review is for \$35,000 that allows for two consultants to visit all four schools for one day per school.