February 2021 Administrative Reports

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<u>Brad Rowles - Board Report - Written Report - February 22, 2021</u>

Activities that have or will be occurring at the High School:

- Athletic games and events began the week of the 8th.
- The Lancer Council did a fantastic job of decorating the main floor of the High School for Valentine's Day.
- Our Lew-Port Cybersecurity Team placed 1st two years in a row at the UB Cybersecurity Competition. The competition was held on 2/6/2021.
- The faculty and staff at the High School, participated in a Dress Down Day, as we raised money for the Niagara Wheatfiled Family that lost their 16 year old daughter during a recent sled riding accident.
- Winter administration of our 9th and 10th grade Aimsweb testing for ELA and Math were completed during the 1st week of February.
- Our Second Quarter ended on Friday, January 29th.
- The Second Semester began on Monday, February 1st.
- Student scheduling continues at the High School.

A few items to report to the Board of Education and Superintendent

Principal's Activities:

- Making sure that I am visible throughout the school day.
 - Greeting the students each morning as they disembark from the buses.
 - Providing expectations and support to our students through morning and afternoon announcements.
 - Being a presence in the cafeteria during each of our 3 lunch periods.
 - Walking the building throughout the day.
- Fostering a strong working relationship with my staff.
- Meeting with my Student Support Team (Green Team) every Wednesday during 8th period.
 - This group meets weekly during the 2020-2021 school year to discuss student-related concerns.
- Working to maintain a socially distanced building and classrooms through our social distancing guidelines and a classroom utilization chart.
- Meeting monthly with Dr. Lyon and our APEX Liaisons to provide support and guidance with our 100% remote program.
- Met with Dr. Lyon on Friday, February 5th, for our monthly mentoring session.
- Working with our amazing custodial staff to maintain a sanitized and safe learning environment for all members of the Lew-Port Family.
- Working with Dr. Grupka on an ongoing and regular basis to address COVID-related issues and concerns at the High School.
- Continue to complete my assigned informal and formal observations for the 2020-2021 school year.
- Met with Dr. Lyon and members of the Secondary RTI/MTSS group for a 3rd time, as we continue the development of the RTI/MTSS at both the Middle School and High School buildings on 2/10/2021.
- Have had several conversations with Niagara County Community College (NCCC) and our ELA/Business Academy on the possible selection of additional NCCC College Accelerated Program courses (CAP) to strengthen our college level course offerings at Lew-Port.
- Met with my Peer Coordinators on 2/9/2021 to discuss academic programming and the review of our student placement procedures at the high school. We also had preliminary conversations about grading as we look to the completion of the 2020-2021 school year.
- Met with the Strategic Planning Sub-Committee on Climate and Culture on 2/3/2021 as we continue the conversation and implementation of the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan.
- As of 2/4/2021, I have completed all of my Formal Observations for the 2020-2021 school year.
- On Thursday, February 4th, Dr. Lyon, Mr. Auer, and I met with Jasmine Kullar to construct the agenda for our PC 6-12 Teacher Leadership Training.

• On Wednesday, February 17th, we met with Jasmine Kullar as a 6-12 PC team surrounding Teacher Leadership.

As we begin the second semester of the 2020-2021 school year, I want to thank the entire Lew-Port Family for a strong start to the school year. We had many obstacles and unknowns laid before us as we started in September. Personally, I was skeptical that we would make it beyond the first marking period before the COVID pandemic would force another school closure. I'm glad to say that my skepticism was wrong. The district's administrative team constructed a sound reopening plan. An important aspect of the reopening plan was the need to clearly articulate the intricate details of the reopening of our district buildings. The community has been extremely supportive throughout this pandemic. Our staff and students have met the challenges of teaching and learning in a more technological driven classroom environment.

We are still awaiting word from NYSED regarding the administration of the June 2021 Regents Exams. We know that the State has filed an exemption with the Federal Government requesting the cancellations of the Regents Exams. We recognize the importance of our ability to determine academic growth for our students from year to year. We have begun to discuss within our Peer Coordinator Team the need to provide end of the year assessments with or without Regents Exams. Our Peer Coordinator Team has also started to discuss a possible grading policy that reflects best practice, during this global pandemic. Mr. Auer and I will have a joint 6-12 Peer Coordinator meeting in March to discuss grading further.

I'm very excited with the work that Dr. Lyon and I have started with local colleges and universities. This dialogue, we hope, will lead to the establishment of a Lancer Learning Center with local college students providing academic support and assistance to our students, while Lew-Port provides a clinical rich field experience for future student teachers. The colleges and universities that we have met with, have expressed optimism and support for this future relationship. I hope to have more information as we move into Spring.

Proud member of the Lew-Port Family,

Brad Rowles

Go Lancers!!!