

SUPERINTENDENT BOARD REPORT JANUARY 15, 2019 TO FEBRUARY 5, 2019

1. Mental Health Assistance Update: New mental health position at the middle school this year, mental health position at the high school added 3 years ago, positions at the elementary schools for many years..... K-12 results reported to PCCD... 379 assessments, 286 in treatment, 90 improving in mental health and 210 improving in behaviors.
2. FYI...we are required to provide health services to students.... For 17-18 Cost to the district... \$277,819
Reimbursement from the state... \$48,611....
3. **“A World Class Education...with the Rural Advantage!”** this is our district vision..., which was adopted with the Comprehensive Plan in November.
4. Requested to participate in research study about teacher leaders with PSU and held initial call and zoom meeting.
5. Interview with Allison Gens of WTAJ in regards to school safety and school police car.
6. PA Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT) participant services and executive committee conference calls.
7. Meeting with Rep. Gabler about school funding. Thank you Matt for spending 2 hours with us. His office has also researched St. Marys and we are shortchanged by over \$7 million annually, no matter how funding is distributed. He will look to see if we can obtain additional funding sources or revenues not from property taxes and will look into us developing a workforce development school.
8. SMASD Foundation meeting.... Additional tax credit donations from UPMC and Knox Law, each for \$1000. Discussion with Commissioner Kemmer in regards to possible scholarship for students going directly to the workforce.
9. PA Leadership Development Center... working with the admin team on “Changing the Mindset”
10. Consultation call with Rick Brown and the Labor Board.
11. PA Association of School Administrators (PASA) Governing Board meeting summary: update from the AG’s (Mike Vereb) office... roll out is progressing; Act 158 Graduation requirements PDE is completing regulations for the 4 graduation options... Keystones, Local requirements/Alt. Assessment/Apprenticeship, CTE concentrators, CTE local readiness evidence; Act 82 teacher/principal evaluation system is being reviewed...PSEA wants to restrict walkthroughs; PA Schools Work campaign is pushing for \$400 million in additional K-12 funding, \$100 million in additional special Ed funds and \$10 million in additional CTE funds.
12. Agenda meeting
13. Facilitated school closings due to severe wind chill factors.
14. Completed mid-year reviews for all administrators.
15. Radio interview with Jeff Buchheit in regards to STEM, joined by Angie Catalone and Amanda Vollmer.
16. Call with Survival Mindset about future active shooter training... a face-to-face meeting will be arranged.
17. Please join the work of PA Schools Work and support additional K-12 public school funds... join at <http://paschoolswork.org/>
18. As usual met with parents, students and staff; visited buildings and observed many classes.
19. **#GoDutch**