

## HS Principal's Report to the School Board, 11/17/18

1. Mr. Jurrens has brought you a list of students for early graduation in December and it is attached to this report. They must complete all coursework and be in good standing to graduate early. Please remember they do not receive their diplomas until May with the rest of the class.
2. I had the opportunity to attend the Future Ready Iowa summits at both Keystone and Central Rivers AEA with a number of staff, including CTE and core teachers along with Mr. Jurrens. Although the two days were quite different, the themes of using more community college and training opportunities was loud and clear. As part of the action planning from the Keystone day, you will be seeing more college and career ready information being pushed out to parents and the community and we help our students prepare for careers that we don't even know yet. This information also fits well with our mission to serve each student for what they need including the innovations being seen in project based learning and student centered classrooms.
3. Teachers spent last Monday working on curriculum conversations, discussing formative and summative assessment and planning for J-term. I am pleased to see more forward progress toward true BIE PBL and the work teachers are doing to challenge themselves to get better. I am excited to see how we can keep folding those strategies into classes outside of the J-term time.
4. The building leadership team continues to work through the Happiness Advantage as well as look at equity numbers in our classes. We have aligned our goals with the board and district goals to look at innovative, attendance and collaboration for content growth. Thanks for helping drive us!
5. We had just under 40% of parents show up for conferences. We continue to struggle with this issue. We will be keeping better data in January to compare a PBL style showcase with traditional ways to reach out to parents.

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