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High School Principal Report to the Board

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1. Students in grades 9 and 10 completed MAP testing in October. Please refer to the attached data that the principals will be sharing with you.
2. Three students were named All State Musicians! Spencer Bodensteiner will represent the choir while Thea Thronson and Bethany Zenk will represent the band. Gavin Popken was also selected as an alternate for the band.
3. We had just under 40% of our parents attend conferences. We are analyzing the reason for the dip in attendance. We will be devising a system in the spring for making more contact with parents to attend.
4. Our failing list is significantly down from this time last year--- it 30% of what it was a year ago. In addition, our attendance is improved and our daily MIRs (from PBIS) are down 80% from the beginning of the year. We are celebrating this change and the culture change brought about by PBIS! We had our 1st quarter celebration last Thursday at the CWC including games for all students. We hope to see continued movement the rest of the term and year.
5. Students are gearing up for finals. Just a reminder that we have instituted a reward system for finals this year. If students are absent and/or tardy less than three times for a class and have 90% in that class going into finals, they may opt out of finals. We, of course, work with students regarding appointments and encourage them to schedule as much as possible during a study hall, an early out day or outside of school time. We believe this has aided in our high attendance this term.
6. Mr. Jurrens has brought you a list of students for approval for early graduation in December and it is attached to this report. They must complete all course work and be in good standing to graduate early. Please remember they do not receive their diplomas until May with the rest of the class.
7. There are two groups here tonight to ask for approval for fundraisers for the grant project during English 10. The goal of the fundraisers is to contribute to local and national charity organizations.
8. Our Veteran's Day assembly is tomorrow at 2:30. We invite and encourage you to attend. Mike Kuennen will be our guest speaker and the band and choir will be performing.