

High School Board Report October 18, 2021

1. The FFA and Agriculture students have been very busy this past month helping out a local farmer with an Indian corn project. Several students have become interested and this may become an annual project. Students also harvested grapes from the vineyard and have sent in the juice to create jam that will be sold hopefully around Christmas.
2. Students at IBN have been working on many initiatives. I have been able to work with many groups on the parking lot, dress code, Chickasaw Foundation final report, and indirectly on other initiatives. It is very interesting to see our students tackle projects and then make decisions based on what they have learned. Some of those projects have taken on different approaches when new information is gathered.
3. Our Art students did an Artist Tour on October 8th. They were able to visit many different locations in the Decorah area to see how art can become more than a hobby and meet other artists.
4. All of our students on Individual Educational Plans have been working on life after school. We have had all of the seniors experience a job shadow and working toward job embedded work experience. We have had guest speakers come into the building to speak with students and taken students on trips to NICC.
5. We hosted the 9th grade Conference Volleyball Tournament, first two rounds of the Varsity Volleyball Tournament, and our home Cross Country meet in the past month. It was great to see our students participate in all of these events and thanks to everyone that helped to make them happen. A huge thank you to Erica Schmitt for all of her planning and organizing.
6. We will host an NICC Advanced Manufacturing Day in New Hampton on October 20th. We will have area business tours for our students and a heavy construction simulator for students to use.
7. We look forward to having Joe Beckman talk with our students on October 20th. His message will be great to build the culture of our students! His message is also powerful for our staff as he spoke to all of our teachers on October 18th.
8. Postseason is here! Our first round of volleyball is here on October 20th. Football is also in the playoffs and at the time of this report, we are awaiting seeding and location. First round is October 22nd. District Cross Country is October 21st. Hard to believe we are at the end of our fall seasons.