## October 21, 2019 Middle School Board Report

- 1. The new gym and cafeteria are now open! Look forward to seeing everyone at open house on Sunday, October 27th from 3-5 pm.
- Career Week is scheduled for November 4th-8th. Thanks to New Hampton Economic Development and Northeast Iowa Community College for partnering in this opportunity for students. This year students will also complete career planning during the afternoons to get a jump start on interests for high school.
- 3. October 14th, our staff complete Youth Mental Health and First Aid training. Part of our ESSA plan is to improve our response to students that are struggling with mental illness. Our next steps is to address how we will respond to a crisis event as a staff related to our emergency plan.
- 4. Our Middle School fall sports have now concluded. Students saw a lot of success in volleyball, football and cross country.
- 5. Shout out to Mr. Rude and his students last year writing letters to Honor Flight servicemen. This past month, KWWL picked up a story that was put on Facebook about a letter one of our students received back. Positive story about our kids and community!
- 6. Students have responded well to our PBIS system this past quarter. Students are really enjoying the choice we have during our reteaching times and have been utilizing our spaces. Our minors and majors are down this quarter.
- 7. Thanks to the TLC team and Mr. Rude and Mrs. Feldman for hosting the first learning labs of the year. Students have been working on a 911 project comparing the world today to pre-911 days. Students were showcased in our new spaces working collaboratively and self monitoring progress. Many more outstanding things to come this year in the Middle School!