Superintendent’s Message

I write this while sitting at my parent’s kitchen table in Maple Grove, Minnesota. The same table (in the same house) I’ve sat at for countless family dinners growing up. I am writing this from Minnesota because last week I arrived to spend time with my family after my niece passed away due to complications from a rare chromosomal disorder she was born with. My sister and her husband were told that Pearl would likely never survive her birth, but she did. Against unbelievable odds, Pearl thrived for almost 7 years. Pearl was our miracle. She was the happiest-go-lucky baby, toddler, and little kid you would ever meet. And she was a fighter. She survived multiple surgeries and health complications over her short life and had challenges most of us will never encounter in our lives. And she taught all of us the meaning of grace and humanity.

Please forgive me for making this message so personal, but I believe that it is important for my development as a person and as your educational leader. The truth is, public education is personal. We are in the kid business—the business of care, growth, and learning. To me, that means every kid, every day. Every kid—no matter their background, the color of their skin, the family they come from or how much money they make, the language they first learned, the disabilities they were born with, or any other host of differences. It is my privilege to serve with educators that come to work every day to serve all of our kids.

We have much to be proud of here in the Dayton School District: Our graduation rate was recently celebrated as being one of the top 10 in the state of Oregon (#6 overall); our growth rates on standardized test scores are strong (this means the measure from how much a student improves their test score from one year to the next); and we truly care for our kids and carry out our mission of being a district with heart. That being said, we still have areas to improve, and our students aren’t always as well prepared as they could be. It is important to celebrate the successes, but also good to acknowledge that we can always work to get better.

We will:

- Continue to strive for our students reaching a higher bar of achieving rigorous academic success on tasks and assessments;
- Work to ensure that all students are ready for the academic and social demands required for their post-secondary life beyond high school; and
- Navigate a process to improve our school facilities across the district.

This is all about reflecting on our current performance and practices to see what is going well and what we can adjust so we continuously improve and get better for those that we serve. As superintendent, I am here to best serve our community and school system, and to serve all kids. I would like your feedback about my performance. Your reflections and feedback will help me better serve our students, staff, and community. Please visit our website and respond to my 360-degree survey and tell me what you think. As always, thank you for entrusting us with your children and our future! It is my pleasure to serve all of you!

Jason Hay

School Board News

The Dayton School Board met for their regular monthly meeting and a work session on February 12th, 2019. During the work session, the School Board and Superintendent discussed the Superintendent evaluation process and the recommendation from the District Facilities Advisory Committee (DFAC). The Superintendent and Board discussed a draft of the 360 Degree Superintendent Survey (which is live on the website for all to respond to) and the Superintendent reviewed his Self-Evaluation. Both the 360 Degree Survey and the Self-Evaluation are tools for the Board in drafting the Superintendent’s Evaluation document.
School Board News (continued)

The Superintendent and Board also reviewed several documents and discussed the DFAC recommendation of placing a General Obligation Bond on the May 2019 ballot. There will be additional information regarding the bond mailed in early April, 2019. The Board and Superintendent also decided to postpone the Board Self Evaluation for later this spring and upcoming summer. This information will be valuable for goal setting in August, 2019.

The regular February meeting began with reports from the Superintendent, the Business Director, and Building Principals. Grade School Principal and Special Programs Director, Stephanie Ewing, and Grade School Assistant Principal and Federal Programs Director, Dana Symons, also gave a report about a recent professional development event where staff were learning about the “PAX Good Behavior Game.” PAX was piloted by six teachers earlier this year, and our leaders and leadership team thought it wise to bring PAX to the entire staff. PAX teaches students self-regulation, self-control, and self-management while collaborating with others for peace, productivity, health & happiness. Visit www.GoodBehavior.Game.org if you’d like more information.

Also, during the business portion of the agenda, the Board adopted a Joinder of Trust Agreement with PACE (our State Insurance Cooperative), passed a resolution supporting OSBA’s advocacy for funding schools at the “Quality Education Model” level, passed a resolution to place a General Obligation Bond on the May 2019 ballot to improve current facilities, and passed a resolution to place a General Obligation Bond on the May 2019 ballot. The Board also convened an Executive Session to review and evaluate the performance of Licensed, Confidential, and Administrative Staff [under ORS 192.660(2)(i)].

The next Dayton School Board meeting date is Tuesday, March 12th, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the District Board Room.

Dayton Grade School
Kindergarten/Band Concert

Thursday, March 7, 2019
6:30 PM in the Grade School Commons

Kindergarten Roundup
“Open House”
Preregistration for Fall 2019 Kindergarten
You are welcome any time between 3:30-6:30 PM
in the grade school multi/cafeteria.
Thursday, April 18th
Do you have a child that will be 5 on or before September 1, 2019? If you do, please plan on attending our preregistration on April 18. Please bring your child’s birth certificate, immunization records, and social security information. If you have any questions please contact the Grade School Office at 503-864-2217.

Dayton Grade School Family Night
Wednesday, April 3, 6:00-7:30 PM – Family Night & our “Buy One Get One Free” Book Fair.

Budget Committee Vacancies

Dayton School District is looking for community members to fill two vacancies on the Budget Committee. Seven community members who serve three-year terms, and the seven-member Dayton School District Board make up the committee. They meet in late spring/June to review the school district’s proposed budget for the following year.

If you would like an application or more information, please contact the District office at 503-864-2215.

Pirate Nation Presents…
THIS IS US
This is our story. This is our journey as we strive to unleash the potential of each learner.

March 5th, 6:00-8:00 PM
Dayton JH/HS Old Gym
Kickoff starts at 6:00 PM

Open Enrollment

The Open Enrollment Law is sunsetting this spring, and Dayton School District will not be able to participate as we have in the past. We will continue to offer inter-district transfers. Recommendations on criteria for inter-district transfers for the 2019-2020 school year will be brought to the School Board later in the school year. If you have any questions, please contact the Dayton School District Office, 503-864-2215.
Important Information

View our District Website: www.daytonk12.org

Important information including sports schedules, bus routes, lunch menus and the school calendar, are located on the District’s website: www.daytonk12.org and on each of the schools’ websites. For sports schedule details, call Dayton High School, 503-864-2273, ext 521.

Important District Calendar Dates

- **Tuesday, March 5, 2019** – Pirate Nation Night, grades K-12, 6:00-8:00 PM in the JH/HS old gym
- **Thursday, March 7, 2019** – Kindergarten & 5th Grade Band Concert
- **Tuesday, March 12, 2019** – Regular Board Meeting, 7:00 PM in the Board Room
- **Monday through Friday, March 25 - 29, 2019** – No School, Spring Break
- **Wednesday, April 3, 2019** – Grade School Parent Night/Book Fair
- **Friday, April 5, 2019** – No School, Grading Day
- **Tuesday, April 9, 2019** – Board Work Session, 6:00 PM, followed by a Regular Board Meeting, 7:30 PM in the Board Room
- **Thursday, April 18, 2019** – Kindergarten Round-Up, 3:30-6:30 PM, GS Commons/Cafeteria
- **Tuesday, April 23, 2019** – Pirate Network Night, Grades 6-12, 6:00-7:30 PM
- **Saturday, April 27, 2019** – Clothing Drive, 10:00AM – 1:00 PM, in the Grade School cafeteria

2019-20 Calendar Considerations

Two proposed calendars will be shared with the School Board and the Dayton School District Staff. The first part of our board policy states that: "The Board will approve the school year calendar for the following year no later than at its April meeting following due consideration of the recommendation of the superintendent and the input from staff, parents and the community."

The board will plan on discussing the input and will approve a final calendar option at our next board meeting, March 12th. We want your feedback to help guide that discussion. Please visit the home page of our website (www.daytonk12.org) to find links to the two calendar options and to take a short survey. If you have questions, please call the district office at 503-864-2215, or email Jason.Hay@dayton.k12.or.us.

ABC-Dayton Education Foundation Scholarship Applications

The following ABC-Dayton Education Foundation scholarships are available to students in the Dayton graduating class of 2019: ABC-DEF College Scholarship, the ABC-DEF Technical/Trade School Scholarship (including trade programs at a community college), the Julio Valdenegro Jr Memorial Scholarship, and the Thorndike Memorial Scholarship. Applications will be available in March in the High School Career Center and on the District website, www.daytonk12.org.

Career Expo for HS Juniors & Seniors

To meet a graduation requirement for career planning and reflection, all Juniors and Seniors will attend the NW Youth Careers Expo in Portland on March 19th. The Expo shows students the region’s diversity of career opportunities, skills and education needed for those jobs, and includes hands-on learning, demonstrations, mock interviews, career workshops and the chance to talk directly with professionals about college and career options. Guardians will need to sign a permission slip. For information, call Mrs. Benner, 503-864-2273, ext. 540.

Pirate Network Parent Night, Grades 6-12

Helping Parents to Help Students Find Success

Parents, please join us for parent night on Tuesday, April 23, from 6:00-7:30 PM. Translation, childcare and a light supper will be provided. Learn how to set your student up for success for middle and high school. For information, call Mrs. Flake, 503-864-2273, ext 567.

Mesaje Importante

El School Scene ya está disponible en Español. Si le gustaría recibir esta hoja informativa en Español, por favor comuníquese al 503-864-2273 o envíe una nota a la oficina de la escuela.
Dayton Education Citizen of the Year

Once again the time has arrived to honor a special person in the Dayton community who exemplifies service to education in Dayton Schools. Please submit a nomination form available in the school district office, or your own letter of support, no later than April 19, 2019, for the person you believe has done an outstanding job of supporting staff and students in Dayton. Past recipients are:

Erle Parker - 1968
Adolph Schutz - 1969
Ted Wirfs - 1970
Roy E. Will - 1971
Helen J. Manning - 1972
Margie Morgan - 1973
Dorothy Pomeroy - 1974
Ann Evers - 1975
Alice Campbell - 1976
Enid McManimie - 1977
Sybil Seward - 1978
Earl McKinney - 1979
Francis H. Dummer - 1980
Jerry Carter - 1981
Russell Walker - 1982
Arnold M. Heimbach - 1983
George Beal - 1984
Donna J. Sonderman - 1985
Deward T. Sullivan - 1986
James Shelburne - 1987
Joanne Flint - 1988
Jim Connelly - 1989
Emory Blackwell - 1990
Pauline Niederberger - 1992
Penne Bryson - 1994
“Jo” Windish - 1998
Benny Palmer - 1999
Diane Hilton - 2000
Manuel Gonzales - 2001
Cathy Karten - 2002
Sally Angaran - 2003
Donna Wolf-Belлев - 2003
Kathy Beckwith - 2004
Lorri Flores - 2005
Guadalupe Villaseñor - 2005
Terri Paysinger - 2006
Elva Martinez - 2007
Lizann Schultz - 2007
Edie Martinelli - 2008
Roger Lorenzen - 2008
Rick Kaminskas - 2009
Vera Sullivan - 2009
Larry Bales - 2010
Jan Bunn – 2011
Rob Hallyburton - 2011
Janelle Beers - 2012
Nancy Carlson - 2012
Greg Wildhaber - 2013
Karla Harmon - 2014
Cal & Debbie Kearsns – 2015
Bret Putman - 2016
Yvonne Craig – 2017
Daniel Blanchard - 2018

Dayton Grade School Clothing Drive

Dayton Grade School is having our 3rd annual "No pay shopping day". We invite anyone looking for gently used clothes to come and take what they need, free of charge.

During the week of April 1-5 we will have a large container at the front of the school for clothing donations. Donations can be dropped off anytime during school hours. Please only donate clean, gently used items.

The "No Pay Shopping Day" will be Saturday, April 27th from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM in the Grade school Cafeteria. We have clothing of all sizes from infant to adult.

Dayton Education Foundation Fund Raiser

A Better Community – Dayton Education Foundation Announces the 18th Annual Fund Raising Event: “Farm to Fork”
Saturday, April 27, 2019

Hosting venue is Stoller Family Estate.
Local restaurants and wine will be featured for a delightful evening.

Festivities include:
Five Course Dinner, Wine Pairing & Auction: $125
For questions or to make reservations, please call the Dayton School District Office, 503-864-2215.

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