Memorandum

To: Carol Costello, Superintendent of Schools
From: Lisa Sequeira, Principal, Tahanto Regional Middle High School
Date: June 14, 2024
Re: Report to School Committee

Tahanto Highlights

1. **Academic Highlights**
    a. MCAS testing completed for all grades with MS Math, Science and Civics and HS Math happening in May. HS Biology was administered on June 4th and 5th.
    b. Aimsweb Testing was administered at the beginning of June for grades 6 and 7 and all middle school Aimsweb reports were sent home to families of 6th and 7th grade students on June 14, 2024.
    c. 8th grade students sat for 4 separate MCAS exams with Civics being added this year with two separate sessions, therefore Aimsweb testing only occurred for 8th grade students twice.
    d. Graduation exercises for the Class of 2024 were held at 2pm on June 2, 2024.

    We congratulate 76 students who earned a Tahanto diploma! They have certainly chosen to spread their wings. 69 seniors applied to 174 different postsecondary institutions. This class will head to 46 different institutions of higher learning. 87% of the graduates are off to college. 48% of those students will continue their education in-state, while 52% will do so in 17 different states outside of MA. 76% of the college bound students are off to 4-year colleges. 11% of the college bound students are off to 2-year colleges. 4% of the graduates are off to career education or technical training programs. 8% of the graduates are joining the workforce. 1 graduate has already become a part of the US Army.

    e. High School students sat for final exams from June 10-June 13th.

f. 8th Grade Graduation was held on June 14, 2024 at 8am with a lovely gathering afterward. 89 students graduated from 8th grade with 12 students anticipated to attend Assabet Valley Technical School next year, and 4 students moving on to a private institution.

2. Athletic Highlights

a. Boys Varsity Baseball made it through to the 1st round of state championship games.
b. Girls Varsity Lacrosse competed in the sweet 16 and won the Central Mass Championship.
c. Girls Varsity Softball made it to the final four in the state championship competitions.
d. Cordell Holden was the division 6 state champion in the 110m hurdles.

3. Extracurricular and Community Highlights

a. The Career Fair was held on June 6th and was a wonderful opportunity for our students to meet with a wide variety of professionals from different fields. Students explored the career fair through a 'scavenger hunt' which encouraged them to visit all individuals through productive conversation. We are incredibly grateful for the many volunteers who shared their time and expertise with our students.
b. The CAP Fair was held on Thursday, June 6th. This was an opportunity for students to share their work on their Civic Action Projects (CAP) where students demonstrate civic knowledge, skill, and dispositions to identify, research, and address community issues. Community members were invited and many came and had fruitful conversations with our young people who presented themselves and their work with great aptitude, confidence and knowledge.
c. Middle School Spirit Week was held from 6/3-6/7 and concluded with a pep rally last period and a dance on the evening of June 7th with a tropical theme!
d. Middle School Field Day was hosted by the PTO on June 12, 2024 and was an incredible success. The events were well organized and the students had a blast. After lunch they transitioned into the auditorium for a magic show and finished the day with a basketball game between 8th grade students and staff.

4. Retirement

This year we say congratulations and best wishes to Jane Mutti as she retires. She has been an integral member of our World Language Department for 17 years during which she has made a tremendous impact on our Tahanto students. Wishing her all the best in the next stage of life!