Memorandum

To: Carol Costello, Superintendent of Schools and Albert Ganem, Interim Superintendent of Schools
From: Lisa Sequeira, Principal, Tahanto Regional Middle High School
Date: August 27, 2024
Re: Report to School Committee

Tahanto Highlights

Monday, 8/26/2024, we were excited to welcome back staff and faculty on our opening day and we had productive professional development and preparations for all of our returning students on Wednesday, 8/28/2024.

The High School Student Council (led by Danielle Rinker and Emily McCarthy) did a wonderful job organizing and hosting 6th grade orientation on Monday, August 26, 2024. This is a very special opportunity to build community and comfort as students transition into Tahanto for middle school.

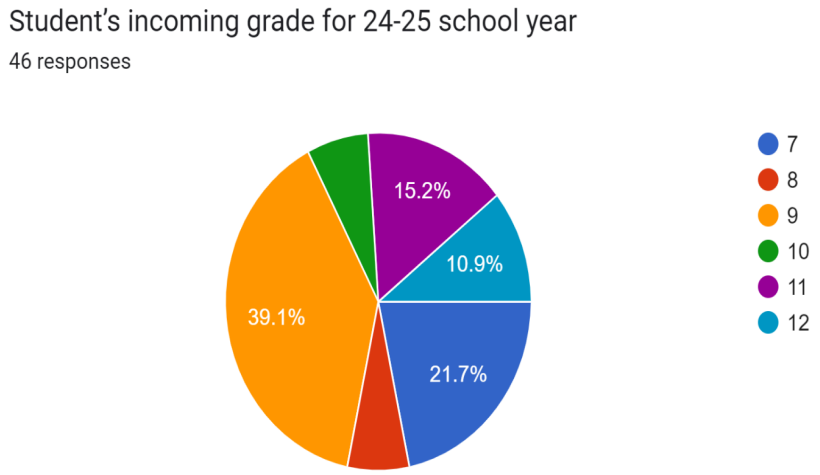
Enrollment (as of 8/21/2024 - PowerSchool)

Grade	Total Enrollment
6	76
7	88
8	83
9	76
10	73
11	72
12	67
TOTAL	535

Student Withdrawals

Incoming Grade	Number of Students Withdrawing	Breakdown
7	9	6- St. Johns 2 - moving 1 - returning to home district
8	3	2- moving 1- changing better fit
9	18	13 - Assabet 1 - BayPath Voc 1- returning to home district 1- private school 1- private school 1- moving
10	3	2- private school athletics 1- moving
11	7	4- Mass Academy 1-moving 2-QCC
12	5	4-QCC 1 - moving
Total	**45**	

Graph of the above data:



New Enrollment Information as of 8/20/24

Grade for 24-25	Number of Students Enrolling
6th	3
7th	3
8th	1
9th	5
11th	2
12th	2

Athletic Highlights

The fall season kicked off last week with tryouts beginning on Monday, 8/19/2024. Currently running are: Boys Soccer (Middle School, JV and V), Girls Soccer (Middle School, JV and V), Field Hockey (JV, V), Golf (MS, V), Cross Country. We look forward to a successful season!

ADDITIONAL DATA COLLECTED FROM EXIT SURVEYS:

The schools these students will be transferring to from Tahanto and the "Why":

New School/Location	Number of Former Students Attending	Incoming Grade(s) of Students	"Why"
Assabet Marlborough, Ma	12	(12) 9th graders	-Need for trade opportunity -Larger School for additional academic, athletic, and social opportunities -New peer groups and dynamics -Additional supports and/or opportunity for Special Education students
New Schools out of State and/or Central Ma.	7	(3) 7th graders (2) 8th graders (1) 9th grader (1) 10th grader	-Family relocation
QCC Quinsigamond Community College Worcester, Ma	6	(2) 11th graders (4) 12th graders	-Fresh start -Opportunity to gain college credits -Opportunity for advanced student engagement in school to ensure graduation/diploma -More inclusive environment
St. John's Shrewsbury, Ma	6	(6) 7th graders	-Additional opportunities for academics and athletics -More structure -Need for more parent to teacher communication -Students would be attending in high school and wanted to get acquainted with the structure and additional responsibilities at an earlier age
Private Schools -St. Marks -LawrenceAcademy	5	(2) 9th graders (2)10th grader (1) 12th grader	-Additional opportunities and advancement for academics and athletics

-Concord Academy -Loyola Academy -Bancroft Academy			-To have all siblings together in one school -To prepare for a Jesuit education
Mass Academy of Math and Science Worcester, Ma	4	(4) 11th graders	-Additional opportunities for advancement in Math and Science
South High Worcester, Ma	1	9thgrader	-Is the high school in student's district (former school choice student) and will be more convenient
Auburn Middle Auburn, Ma.	1	7th grader	-Is the middle school in student's district (former school choice student) and will be more convenient
Shrewsbury High Shrewsbury, Ma	1	10th grader	-Moving in with mother who lives in Shrewsbury
Bromfield School Harvard, Ma	1	8th grader	-Additional music opportunities -To avoid social stress that student had experienced at Tahanto in her friend group
Bay Path Regional Vocational School Charlton, Ma	1	9th grader	-Need for trade opportunity -Larger School for additional academic, athletic, and social opportunities