

Montrose Community Schools
Superintendent - Winter Break Update

Saturday, January 5, 2019



Now that we have completed the winter break, our “to do” list has transformed to a “to done” list.

On January 2nd, Walter’s Mechanical quickly began removing and replacing the old two inch galvanized pipe domestic hot water line with new copper pipe. They had everything completed, sealed, and most importantly, no leaks, by 6:00 pm on January 3rd. On January 4th, the copper was wrapped with insulation and the ceiling tiles were replaced.

While Walter’s was completing the work, they did draw our attention to the domestic cold water line that goes into the school. This will need attention at a later date. They said that it wasn’t an emergency, but you could see where the line had been patched and repaired twice. I have made note of it and it will be on the radar as we plan for the future.

Weinstein and Triple D Computers completed the wiring and installation of the new projectors. Denise, two representatives from the GISD, and I will be on site on Monday to make sure all of our teachers can operate the new projectors. There shouldn’t be many problems, they operate very similar to the boards they have in the classrooms. On Wednesday, our educational technologist will be here to go into more depth with the teachers on how they can utilize the projectors within their instruction.



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I am happy to report that the teacher station computers arrived on Thursday, which left enough time for them to be installed in the classrooms. This also meant that we did not need to borrow from the High School Business Lab. These computers (left) were purchased using Perkins Grant money. All of the machines were installed on Friday, January 4th. The computers that were in those classrooms have been relocated to other classrooms to replace workstations in the yearbook classrooms (below), special education classrooms, and some of the aid work stations.



A couple of the walls at Kuehn-Haven Middle school got a fresh coat of paint over break. The outside walls of the gym, multipurpose room and band were painted and look excellent. I am very pleased with how this worked out. Hopefully we can continue to address some of the areas in need of paint. This really gives a new shine to the building and gives good reason for staff, students, and the community to take pride in their school.



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Finally, below are some pictures of the gym floors that were stripped and refinished over break by Floor Care Concepts. This is a process that took a little over a week to complete. The floors look incredible, and I really appreciate the flexibility from our coaches as they found alternative places to practice.



I hope everyone had a happy New Year,
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