Superintendent’s Report

February 6, 2024

Student Pledge Leaders

Dominic Czech, 2nd grade Mrs. Ayers
Addison and Reid Varholak, 3rd grade Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Kline

Student Government Leaders

Chase Miller and Simon Morris

Board Recognition
The Bocce Ball Team

DPS	K	1	2
500 (500)	148 (149)	181 (178)	171 (173)

LV	3	4	5
498 (497)	159 (158)	163 (165)	175 (174)

DMS	6	7	8
519 (516)	167 (167)	176 (174)	176 (175)

DHS	9	10	11	12
642 (646)	149 (148)	163 (165)	176 (178)	154 (155)

CMAVTS	9	10	11	12
90	16 (15)	18 (18)	24 (26)	32 (32)

Non-Public Enrollment Report

	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023	Jan 2023
Outside Cyber Charter	35	35	34	35
Christian Schools	202	199	199	199
Special Programs	14	14	15	15
Amish Schools	30	30	30	30
Nature School	5	5	5	5
Homeschool	114	114	114	113
	400	397	397	397

Governor Shapiro’s State Budget Address

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- This address kicks off the public budget process
- Chambers will start budget hearings in two weeks

- Proposes a 1.1 billion dollar increase in basic education funding, which would be in the greatest single year increase in education funding / 900 million of this increase would go into an adequacy formula to recalculate district’s needs based on Commonwealth Court Judge Renne Cohn Jubelirer’s ruling that PA’s school funding system is unconsitutional. This ruling came from examining that current practices have districts that educate high numbers of students in poverty, English Language Learners, and students with other special needs generally spent less per pupil than wealthier districts even thought their students might require more funding.

Governor Shapiro's State Budget Address

- Proposes a cap on cyber charter tuition at $8,000 per student
- $50 million for school safety and security
- $300 million for sustainable school building repair
- $10 million for teacher recruitment
- $15 million for student teacher stipends
- $100 million for mental health funding in schools
- $3 million to continue the free breakfast program
- Increases in special education funding
- Increases in Pre-K funding

PCCD Grant



Estimated Grants in Two Distinct Categories:

- $40,000 for Physical Security
- $128,455 for Behavioral/Mental Health

As with last year, this money must be spent in a manner that addresses highly specified tiers within categories.

Mid-Year Assessment Data

- Mid-Year assessments are almost 100% completed
- These include the following:
  - DPS
    - DIBELS, i-Ready Math Diagnostic and Core Phonics Assessment
  - LV
    - CDT (for ELA and Math) and NWEA MAP (ELA and Math)
  - MS
    - CDT (ELA and Math) and i-Ready Diagnostic (ELA and Math
  - HS
    - CDT (Keystone Literature, Keystone Algebra and Keystone Biology)
- Comprehensive results will be shared at February's Academic Affairs Committee meeting

Administrator Board Reports

Technology Update 02/07/24

Jeffrey Ryan - Director of Information Technology

IT Performance

- Network (January 2024)
  - Uptime at 99.978% - 701,541 polls with 153 lost (based on 99 monitored critical devices monitored 24/7). Down slightly from last month.
  - Average LAN latency (speed) at .504 milliseconds. Slightly down from last month. Internet latency continues to be very good with no major issues encountered over the past month.
  - Average daily use (school hours only) of the Internet at 871.18GB. Up slightly over last month and up 27% from last January.
  - Wireless - 3702 unique clients with an average of 1570 clients per day (each averaging 4.61GB of usage)
- Website (January 2024)
  - 44,527 views (220,000+ since launch) and 8,315 total users - Up significantly from last month and comparative to early year numbers (anything over 10,000 per month for a small school is good)
  - 37.11% bounce rate (rate at which people immediately leave upon entering the site - anything under 40% is good)
  - 3 minute 45 second average session duration (2-4 minutes is considered very good)
  - 55.5% of traffic is cell phones and top source is Google search (4,288 search clicks)
  - Most popular pages and search terms are dtv, guidance, and 2 hour delay schedule.
- Printing (January 2024)
  - 188,980 pages printed (does not include copying) - Up from 113,148 last month.
- Help desk calls (January 2024)
  - New system created by DASD staff and introduced in the end of December.
  - 159 calls created in last 30 days. 139 documented calls completed in last 30 days (2.13 days average completion time - this includes weekends and holidays in the calculations).

IT Ongoing Projects...

- New Technology request app developed by DASD IT
  - Much easier to use and it gives us the ability to pull out custom analytics
- Google shared drive reconfiguration
  - Moving from traditional on-premises data storage to the cloud. Drives are being created and utilized. This project will continue throughout the school year and into the future.
- Website
  - Moving forward with an online payment system connected to Finalsite (all set up, tested, and working on the final details)
- Chromebook Plus testing
  - Testing the Chromebook Plus as a possible replacement for teacher laptops. A High School teacher and Primary School teacher have tested it so far with great results.
- Projector replacement
  - Older bulb projectors being replaced by modern laser projectors
  - These units have less maintenance cost, are brighter, higher resolution, and include wireless projection
- Printer elimination and relocation
  - Reducing printers to ensure printing goes to lower cost copiers.
- Technology Support Analyst
  - New analyst hit the ground running and takes our IT team to the next level.