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Coffee and Conversation with the Community

Madeira City School District's Community Coffees with the Superintendent are held each fall and spring to give residents a chance to hear updates and stay connected with the schools. A group of Madeira residents gathered in Madeira High School's (MHS) Perin Learning Commons on September 18 for the first coffee of the 2024-2025 school year.

District Superintendent Kenji Matsudo introduced Assistant Superintendent Dave Bergan spoke to the group about the recently released state report card. He commented that out of 607 school districts rated this year in Ohio, Madeira was one of only 18 in the state to receive the 5-Star rating and one of only two districts in SW Ohio to receive a consistent five stars across all components. He also talked about the renovated MHS gym locker rooms, training room, and future new bleachers and gym floor.

Superintendent Matsudo then talked about the Made in Madeira Scholarship that gives each graduate who attends a college, university, career training program, or enters the military receives a monetary scholarship. After a video of former graduates talking about their experiences at Madeira, he spoke to the attendees about the sense of community our alumni take with them. Before answering questions, Mr. Matsudo spoke briefly about the new Quality Profile, then invited them to the November Senior Citizens Day of the fall play in November.

"It's so important to keep in touch with the people here who blazed the trails we walk, and who built the strong foundation our schools are built on," Mr. Matsudo said. "It's great to catch up with the Madeira residents who used to be involved in our schools, and share the good things that are happening here now." Among the community members in attendance were former Madeira staff members, parents & grandparents of Madeira students - some who attended Madeira Schools themselves.

The spring coffee will be held April 2, 2025. Any Madeira senior citizen who would like to be added to the mailing list for future coffees, or other district senior citizen events are asked to contact Diane Nichols at dnichols@madeiracityschools.org or 513.924.3707.

Attendees (l to r) Emily Hauser, Jay DeWitt, Kenji Matsudo, Gary Schneider, Gerri Schneider, Don Bedwell, Elaine Bedwell, Pam Leonardt, Pat Gentile, Jacque Gentile, Larry Lewis, Margee Lewis, Beth Steur, Vicki Penley-Kelly, Mike Steur, Jim Decatur, Suzanne Schottner, Carolyn Edington, Charlie Schottner, Dave Bergan, and Rich Bartone.

