



Stevenson High School Board Bulletin

A monthly message from the Board of Education

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Welcome to our Stevenson High School Board Bulletin, a monthly message from our Board of Education that will include key updates that impact student life at Stevenson. We are very pleased to share several key takeaways from our most recent board meeting below. Thank you for your engagement on these very important issues! We look forward to staying in touch.

Sincerely,
Stevenson High School Board of Education

KEY TAKEAWAYS

Our board meeting agendas often include many items for discussion. While you will always be able to review the agenda, meeting minutes, and video recordings of these meetings on [our Board webpage](#), this Board Bulletin provides key takeaways for our Stevenson community.

1

The Creative Writing team presented to the board on the impact of their process-driven class, which is a semester-long elective that is open to juniors and seniors. The course follows a model where students actively write fiction, poetry and plays over a semester.

The goal of the program is for students to develop confidence in their writing ability – efficacy – through a "workshop model" where they explore a wide range of creative writing techniques. Using this workshop process, students are empowered to create and develop a piece of writing. Throughout the semester, there are opportunities for students to reflect on their own pieces, set goals for how to improve their writing and review other students' pieces and provide feedback.

The workshop process naturally builds students' belief in their own ability – efficacy —as they self-direct, invest in and take ownership of their growth. This process also helps students develop social emotional skills that are essential to learning, including respect, vulnerability and listening through peer reviews and feedback.

Student Voice Survey data backs this up. Students reported a 10 percent increase in how much respect is shown in class and a 7 percent increase in how well people in class understand the kind of person they are.

2

Assistant Superintendent Sean Carney provided an update to the Board that Stevenson High School will now participate in the Lake County School Mutual Aid Response Team. This

program is designed to provide coordinated support to school districts during major incidents that exceed local response capacity. The program gives us access to resources, including trained emergency personnel, mental health professionals, translators and specialized equipment, ensuring a rapid and organized response during critical incidents. Participation in this program comes at no cost to the district.