Superintendent's Report - March 18, 2026

One of the most memorable phrases I remember from my childhood was "March comes in like a lion, and out like a lamb." I'm certainly happy that the winter weather is behind us, and we now turn our attention to the exciting moments of the spring season that begins this Friday, March 20th.

I need to start with remarks about our high school musical, The Prom. It was truly a spectacular performance that captivated the audience and our community in every way possible. The acting was incredible, the music beautifully helped to tell the story, and the lighting, scenery and choreography all blended together to provide a broadway-level performance. Many thanks for the wonderful donations from our Rye Neck Foundation and Booster Club for the addition of the backdrop scrim, which added a level of professionalism and detail that future performances will also benefit from. I also commend director Cyndi Feinman and the entire cast of The Prom for coming together to provide a wonderful message to our entire community of tolerance, celebration and love. My first experience with the Rye Neck High School musical exceeded the already high expectations, and I was so proud of our entire theater department for a magnificent experience.

Our athletic programs are always the lifeblood of every season, but I need to mention this year's Boys Basketball Sectional semifinal game at home against Blind Brook. The gymnasium filled with energy and spirit, from our superb student body, supportive parents and fantastic staff attendance. I told the players in the hallway that once that game began, Rye Neck had already won. Life is about the journey and the learning experiences that come with that journey. To create an atmosphere like that here in our gym, was one of the memories of the year, regardless of the score. Congratulations to all our winter athletes across all sports for a fantastic season, and I cannot wait for more memories as the weather warms up for our spring athletes.

Many thanks to the PTSA for a wonderful event last Friday, The Retro Remix Party. It was a wonderful location, filled with a massive amount of donations, and most of all a tribute to the greatest decade in our country's history: The 80's. Thank you to all that put forth a great evening and for allowing myself, Ms. Ryan and Mr. Ceglia to remember the good ole days.

Some exciting upcoming events: tomorrow night is our Science Expo Family Night at FE Bellows. This annual event is a showcase of some of the best scientific minds at Bellows. Good luck to all of our budding scientists in fourth and fifth grade tomorrow and we hope every one of you qualifies for the Tri-County Science & Technology Fair on April 25. That event is also being hosted right here in Rye Neck, at FEB.

Just an operational update: due to the three snow days used this year, school will be in session for students and staff on the following days: Monday April 6th, Friday May 22nd and Tuesday May 26th. They were built-in snow days that now need to be used to reach our 180-day requirement for students.

Finally, our next Bond referendum livestream will be held on Wednesday, March 25th at 7:30 pm on the Rye Neck YouTube channel. Please note the time change from 7:00 to 7:30 pm to accommodate a pair of senior students who will be providing their experiences here at Rye Neck and some of the challenges that make it time to consider upgrades to our outdoor sports complex.