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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
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We made it through our first snow day in good shape. My decision to call the day on Sunday night was based on long range weather reports and the timing of the storm. Normally I would consult with the Road Agents from each town prior to making the decision but it was pretty evident that the roads would not be in good shape. Once I contacted the Road Agents, they were both in agreement with my decision. When it makes sense I will call the night before so that parents can arrange for child care if they need to and it puts everyone at ease. The Twitter post was met with a resounding number of likes and retweets from the student body.

Union negotiations seem to be in their final stages. We will be meeting on December 14 with hopes of coming to a tentative agreement. I have been impressed with the discussion from both sides and the thoughtful interactions that will hopefully lead to a successful conclusion of negotiations and a positive vote as we move forward.

We are in the final stages of completing the initial presentation of the budget for the 2017-18 school year. While we continue to work toward a presentation for personnel it is our intention to take advantage of the decline in enrollment to repurpose staff to meet the needs of the district. We have analyzed the needs of the district and this has been the main topic of conversation at our Administrative Team meetings. Our proposal will include the reduction of one teacher at the high school and repurposing that position as a Curriculum Coordinator for the district. We will also be recommending the reduction of one third grade teacher and repurposing that position to be an elementary integrationist and RTI coordinator.

I have been working on a proposal to adjust the health insurance offerings from the school district to non-union employees. This proposal will create a level of equity for all non-union staff and also save money for the school district as well.

I will be attending the Southwest Superintendent's meeting on Friday, December 16. Agenda topics will include opioid drug issues, social emotional health issues, update on Smarter Balanced schedules, and an update from the DOE as well as the School Administrators Association.

The holiday concert for the Florence Rideout School was rescheduled to December 15 at 6:30.

I have asked our staff to compile a list of which staff members will be taking vacation days between Christmas and New Year so we can post if and when buildings will be open.

All winter sports are in full season now.