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## ACSS ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: OCTOBER 13, 2021

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### TIM WEISZ:

- Enrollment numbers have risen since my last report. We are now at 443 students in grades K-12.
- We had an early influx of the stomach flu in our buildings. Other communicable illnesses such as the basic head cold and the COVID-19 virus have also been present but not alarming. We continue to combat this through fogging and practicing good hygiene habits.
- Please join me in welcoming our new custodian at the elementary school. Kathy Andersen joined us Sept. 27
- October 11 is the official Feast Day for Angelo Roncalli. The JH/SH will celebrate with a High Mass that week. St. John XXIII....pray for us.
- Special congratulations to the 2021 Roncalli Hall of Fame Inductees. Their recognition is well deserved and a wonderful example to all of us.
- We just finished with our annual survey. Past surveys have been helpful to our marketing and development plans. Results of this survey will be shared with the board when they are compiled.
- Cherie Shishnia has returned full time to the classroom. We thank the Lord for Cherie. We are grateful to Sara Vetch for serving as her long term sub while she was recovering.
- We continue to be blessed with the presence of clergy in our schools. Their positive impact on the students and the time they offer is a real gift. We also appreciate the impact the Lumen Christi Team is having on the JH/HS students.

### PAULA FLOREY:

- We had a 61% attendance rate for parent teacher conference. This is down quite a bit for fall conferences. We usually see closer to 80%.
- Chocolate sales are over. We sold out of chocolate and gave away many prizes. We have 2 students who haven't turned in their money. Our top seller was 8<sup>th</sup> grader Nyannah Jones. She sold 20 boxes! Mrs. Griffin's 8<sup>th</sup> grade girl's

homeroom took top homeroom honors, narrowly beating Mr. Nygaard's 10<sup>th</sup> grade boys homeroom. The sophomore class had 100% participation!

- I'm starting to hear some concerns from teachers and students about missing classes for activities and then getting behind with the modified block schedule. We are surveying them to see if these concerns are shared by the majority or just a few.
- Mr. Nygaard will be administering the PSAT to juniors and sophomores who sign up.
- Lumen Christi team is at Roncalli on Monday -Wednesday making connections with our 7-12 grade students. They are working on bible studies and one on one interactions.
- Mrs. Shishnia is back in the classroom full time. We are happy to have her back and want to thank Sara Vetch for filling in as her long-term sub. Mrs. Goscicki is scheduled to be back on Oct 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Oct 18<sup>th</sup> will be our Fall Fine Arts event. Our choirs and oral interp students will perform.
- Our E-sports team has begun competition. Mr. Swenson is their advisor.

#### TAMMY KOST:

- All students and staff participated in the Roncalli Homecoming parade. It is always fun to come together with the entire system to celebrate.
- We have begun planning for our Fall Kindergarten Information Night which will be held on November 8th. Tim, Paula and I will address the parishioners of St. Mary's and Sacred Heart during the weekend Masses on Oct. 30-31.
- Teachers have begun their LETRS literacy training. This is a two-year training program that focuses on "how" kids learn to read. This is part of a new literacy focus aimed at making sure each student is successful in reading.
- Several teachers are taking an active role in preparing for our Cognia Accreditation review, which is slated for later this winter. This team is meeting regularly to prepare.
- Grandparent's Day celebrations were a huge success at RPS and RES. At RPS, we played BINGO, shared donuts and attended Mass. At RES, we attended Mass followed by donuts and a short student-led program. Both events were very well attended
- RES welcomes Kathy Andersen as our building custodian. Kathy has been a tremendous asset in so many ways, with students and staff already feeling her impact.
- RES received a \$500 donation from the Faehn family in memory of their father/grandfather. The gift is to be used for something that benefits all children. We are looking at purchasing a new recess cart loaded with items for outdoor fun.
- We continue to tell our story through my Daily Gratitude Journal on Facebook.
- We have added two more students this past month, one in 5th and one in 4th.

- RPS welcomes Ashley Brudvig back on the completion of her maternity leave.
- I was recently accepted into the Leadership for Catholic School Leaders program through the School of Divinity, on the campus of St. Thomas. I will be part of a twenty-person cohort that will begin the 14-month journey in the summer of 2021.

#### RICK KLINE:

- Roncalli Hall of Fame induction Ceremony/Banquet will be held, Saturday, October 9, 2021. Thank you, Mrs. Kristie Martin, for your anticipated remarks at the banquet as well as all board members that plan on attending. A former board member, Rita Pettigrew will be inducted.
- Cavalier Classic Golf tournament was held on Saturday, September 18, 2021 @ Lee Park. Thank you to Steve Lewno and Father Dickinson for participating. The Cavalier Classic Tournament committee has begun making plans for next year. Preliminary plans call for moving the event back to the Monday following Labor day (September 12, 2022). We look forward seeing all board members at next year's event.
- A sign was installed on the backside of the football scoreboard. Special thank you to Steve Lewno and his crew from QQP for their work.



- Our Fall fundraiser has been completed. Thank you very much for all that participated. Final financial results are being calculated.
- The Development office would like to recognize Mr. Scott Dell for his dedication and hard work mowing the High School lawn this summer. He volunteered many hours making sure the lawn and football field were well manicured.
- The Roncalli Ball committee has already began meeting for the 2022 Ball. Please mark your calendars for Saturday, March 26, 2022 at the DEC. This year's committee members are Kim Bowman, Jennifer Glynn, Brit Lorenz, Elizabeth Stokes, and Jill Young.

- Girls Tennis- Got 8th place at the state tennis tournament in Sioux Falls. Girls tennis is separated into two classes A and AA. We were highlighted at the state meet with our #1 doubles team, Maria Barnett and Hallie Haskell, getting 5th place.
- Boys Golf-Our boys golf team recently got 4th place at state golf in Madison. Our team was highlighted by Mason Carrels getting runner up 2nd place. Place winners in the top 25 were Mason Carrels second, Finn Anderson 21st, and Sawyer Henrich 22nd. Coach, Jon Murdy, was selected as Region 1A Golf Coach of the Year.
- Marching Band- Our marching band has had three competitions so far this fall. At the Missouri Valley Marching Festival in Platte the group got 1st place overall and was also awarded best drum major and best percussion. At the Roncalli Marching Band Festival we were awarded 1st overall and best flag corps. At NSU Gypsy Days Parade we were awarded a Gold award and 2nd place overall coming in behind Aberdeen Central.
- Boys and Girls Soccer- Both soccer teams just completed their first round of playoffs this week with convincing wins. They are ready to start the second round of playoffs. The girls soccer team is scheduled to host Watertown on Saturday, Oct. 9th at 11:00. The boys soccer team is scheduled to host Sioux Falls Washington.
- Football- The football team currently has a 5-1 record beating Deuel in our last contest at home in overtime. We are traveling to Clark and Mobridge to finish up the regular season. By powerpoints we are currently in 3rd place in the state.
- Volleyball-Our volleyball team currently has a 3 game winning streak and is 11-5 overall. We are currently in 15th place by powerpoints in the state.
- Oral Interp-Our oral interp team is just starting to get underway. Our first competition will be at Florence Henry on October 16th. We are excited to see some returning faces and some new faces to the Oral Interp team.
- Cross Country- Both our boys and girls cross country teams just competed at the conference cross country meet in Webster. Our girls got 2nd place overall with medals being awarded to Paige Schmidt getting 3rd, Sarah Schmidt getting 4th, Rose Gutenkauf getting 15th, Madison Martin getting 16th, and Claire Crawford getting 17th. Our boys team got 5th overall with Paul Gutenkauf medaling in 11th place. The region cross country meet is scheduled in Webster on October 13th at 1:00 PM.