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Welcome, Allyson O'Regan

#### Update from Karen Riner, Elementary School Principal

- New book of the month will have an art contest tied into it. This is about noticing all the things around you. Will also have a writing contest with this book of the month as well.
- Report cards will be released on the 19<sup>th</sup>. These will go out in Parent Square instead of print outs.
- Introduced Mr. Ward, assistant principal to fill in while Karen has to step away.
- New carline tool called Car Rider Pro will be implemented soon.

#### Update from Jake Wilson, Middle/High School Principal

- All middle schools have been in the process of planning their field studies. All middle school students have field studies now scheduled.
- New choral director Mr. Bradey.
- Middle school students have done really well on i-ready testing.
- Hosted THOR (Thundering Herd of Robots) robotics competition and won!
- 28 teacher cadets in our teacher cadet program. 7 in middle school, 11 in elementary, and 10 in high school.
- Homecoming dance went well.
- 11 high school students have received collegiate offers.
- Women's High school tennis is doing really well.
- Varsity volleyball ranked 64<sup>th</sup> in the state and 4<sup>th</sup> in 1A.
- Varsity cross county will host first meet next week.
- Football team ranked 18<sup>th</sup> in 1A.
- Added new AP Capstone diploma program.





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#### Committee and Event Updates

- Elementary Movie Night – Jenny Curry
  - Movie night went well.
  - Ticket system helped insure there were plenty of hotdogs and water, cotton candy machine still needs refining.
  - Used new company to set up and really liked having them. This made things much easier.
  - Estimated around 700 people attended.
  - Lisa Turner was able to collect HT VIC number information to get more people signed up.
- Fall Book Fair – Nicole Swanson, Karen McVickers
  - Went really well this year with \$23,000 in sales.
  - Over 70 volunteers helped out.
  - Spent \$6,000 on books for classrooms, media center, and children who were unable to purchase books.
  - Additional \$3,000 for Mrs. Baxter to purchase media center books from Follett.
  - Already planning for the next one.
- Raptor Run – Allyson O'Regan, Kristy Dunker
  - T-shirt orders have been submitted.
  - Logo is finalized will remain a secret.
  - Volunteer signup is out and filled up within 20 minutes.
  - Currently at \$70,000 raised. Goal is \$130,000.
  - Sponsor forms are due today to be on the back of t-shirt. \$100 to get business name on back of shirt.
  - People say that the sponsor form is not working.
  - 12<sup>th</sup> grade is in the lead in high school.
  - 6<sup>th</sup> grade is in the lead for middle school.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Endsley is in the lead for elementary school.
  - Please check if you get corporate matching.





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- Fall Festival – Marguerite Meader
  - Coming up on Oct. 27th 5-8pm.
  - Volunteer signups coming up after raptor run is complete.
  - Open to the community, invite your friends and family.
  - Ticket sales will also happen after the raptor run.
  - Haunted Hallways will happen at the same time. Working on timing updates to improve experience this year.
- Staff Appreciation – Kristen Houser, Mary Ledford
  - Trail mix bar Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> K-12.
  - Next staff appreciation in Dec.
- Elementary School Room Parents – Madhura Marathe, Tesa Howell
  - All favorites are out and available to the parents.
  - All classes have been assigned room parents and ancillary staff.
  - Room parent luncheon this Friday.
- Middle/High School Room Parents – Beth Butlak, Megan Goke
  - Senior Ring Ceremony just happened and was a success.
  - Middle school and high school staff birthdays celebrated last Thursday.
  - Honor roll treats coming up after report cards.
- Everyday Fundraisers – Lisa Turner
  - Kindergarten still in the lead on boxtops. \$108 of our \$1,000 goal has been met.
  - VIC is changing program where you must be a plus member to gain education dollars.
- Robyn – Spirit Nights
  - First Spirit Night of the year at Johnny Bruscos raised around \$400.
  - Spirit Night at Papa Johns was successful.
  - Promoting spirit night with the checkers with the school where the chorus will be singing the national anthem on Feb 17<sup>th</sup>. All MICS will be able to sit together in a section.
  - Jerimiah's Ice will be hosting spirit night after the raptor run from 12-2.





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- Treasurer/Soar Foundation – Jenny Curry
  - If you are interested in joining the SOAR board please come to a meeting.

#### Update from Glenn Byrum, Executive Director

- Toni Stallings
  - Handling accreditation process for us. 41% of parents have finished the survey. Please complete the survey by Friday!
  - 33 standards that we must write up a report on how we are doing on them.
  - Will find out during the summer if we meet accreditation standards.
  - This is separate from our charter accreditation and done through Cognia. This is important for colleges and college credit.
- Accreditation is important for NCAA athletes.
- Revised school handbook will be available to be viewed at the next school board meeting.
- Official school report cards will come out soon. We had a 75 which is a B.

#### Questions/Comments

Question on Carpool safety and if video could be viewed at open house.

#### Adjourn



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#### PTO Future Dates

Oct. 13 <sup>th</sup>	Raptor Run		Feb. 7 <sup>th</sup>	PTO Meeting		TBD '24	K-8 Mother/Son Event
Nov. 1 <sup>st</sup>	PTO Meeting		March 6 <sup>th</sup>	PTO Meeting		TBD '24	K-8 Father/Daughter Dance
Jan. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	PTO Meeting		March 18 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup>	Spring Book Fair		TBD '24	Spring Auction

