

REA Listens

There was discussion on the how the days were “inequitable” between buildings. The biggest issue was remote work vs on site work. The impression I get is that the superintendent, cabinet, and board all received some email regarding that issue. I was told that there would be a review of the day to do some tweaking regarding how it went. I will update you when I get more information.

Attending PLC meetings is becoming overwhelming for elementary special areas and support teachers. I would like to hear from some of you to see if it is mandated vs. voluntary. With being assigned to multiple grade levels, it seems that this is a perennial problem. Maybe we could formulate a solution if we put our heads together and compare/contrast what all the different buildings are doing.

Intensive programming was brought with new buildings coming online. That is a good question, and I am going to ask that Edison create a document that outlines what programs are in which buildings. It would be nice if we had a quick reference document instead of trying to ferret everything out on the district website.

A question was asked about “free dinners.” I don’t know what that is in reference to, so if you asked the question – would you please contact me? Thank you!

Negotiations

Just a reminder that we will hear the district’s counter proposal on Tuesday, December 21. We will update you on the progress.

Building Meetings

I will be meeting with Franklin next Wednesday, December 22 to make up for the postponed meeting last week! If you want me out to your 10-minute meetings – Let’s get it scheduled!

Copy Costs

There were plenty of emails regarding this issue and we had some members reach out directly to John Carlson. They sent some solid reasoning as to why Elementary would need more than \$10 for printing. I will also inquire on how this was done and if there is room for adjustment. I will update this item when I have more information.

Snow Days

For the past 3 -4 years, there have been reminders that if you have a sick day scheduled and we get a snow day – those days aren’t given back. Some staff were caught off guard by the snow day and didn’t get into Skyward soon enough to rescind their request. Currently, our contract doesn’t have wording to get sick days back, which is something that needs to be worked on but it won’t change this past week. Reminder, if you have a sick day planned and you have an inkling that we are going to have a snow day, rescind your request. Worst case scenario is that you have to put it back in the morning of the sick day if no snow day is called.

Finally, ED MN is going to get a new vice president. This week, our current vice president, Bernie Burnham, was unanimously elected to become president of the AFL-CIO. She will take over her new job in February. ED MN will appoint an interim VP and an election will happen for the position at the EDMN Representative Convention this Spring.

4 Student Days until break!

Thank you for all you do!

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