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DATE: November 16th, 2026

TO: School Board Members

FROM: Matt Doyle, CES Principal

SUBJECT: CES Principal's Report to the CSD School Board

This report covers the period between the October and November board meetings.

Academic Excellence: Students completed their quarterly writing benchmark assessments in October. Classified and licensed staff worked collaboratively to score these assessments. We are working with the ESD to provide writing calibration training before the next writing benchmark window in order to help staff score more reliably and consistently.

School Leadership: The team's focus in this month's leadership meeting is reviewing the student conduct plan and its effectiveness; review attendance data and think collectively about positive ways to impact attendance; and to analyze STAR reading and math assessment data. The team will work to design collective (class) award systems to help build community among classes and to create in all students the desire to be in school. Improved attendance translates to improved academic performance.

MAC training: Approximately 30 staff members are completing MAC training by November 13th. The goal is to help staff see where they can offer services to students in creative and helpful ways in order to increase Medicaid billing streams for the district. Jess Henke provided excellent guidance in a recent staff meeting to help staff see what is and is not billable.

Infrastructure and Facilities: Will is working with Johnson Controls to ensure fire alarms are operational in all areas of both CES buildings. The alarm is not audible in Cardiff building. Now that the "old" gym has been cleared and music is meeting on the Cardiff stage area, we will begin using the old gym for indoor recess as needed. Sixth grade classes have already been using the gym for community-building activities with great results. Will Seals is putting together a working group at CES to determine new playground needs. The current playground equipment was built approximately 12 years ago.