SUPERINTENDENT REPORT JUNE 2025

• Year-End Reports

- Transportation completed and submitted
- Spring Calendar completed and submitted
- Spring Enrollment There are three students whose attendance and membership numbers aren't calculating correctly. In each case these are students who were not enrolled here the entire year. It's not unusual to have to work with the DPI to get some individuals reported correctly. I expect this report to be completed and submitted before the school board meeting. A hard copy of this report, signed by Marie, should be kept on file in the office.

• Consolidated Application for Federal Title Funds

o I'm still waiting for the pre-application to be approved. The pre-application simply tells the DPI that we intend to apply for the funds. I don't know why it hasn't been approved yet, other than that they did not begin processing the pre-applications until after May 20th. Once I've gotten notification that it's been approved, I'll submit the consolidated application, which is due by June 26th.

Lindtech

- Switching from the H.A. Thompson service contract to Lindtech will save the school district money. Lindtech is reputable and works with a number of school districts and other commercial systems. However, Lindtech will not be able to log in and manage the HVAC system remotely. Someone onsite will need to be trained if you want to be able to manage thermostats, modify heating/cooling schedules, etc., without having Lindtech make the drive to Glen Ullin and do it.
- H.A. Thompson said they can propose a modified contract that provides fewer services if the school district wants to consider it.

Buses

- I talked to Preston about getting buses scheduled for regular summer service and DOT inspections.
- Roof: This is NOT a recommendation, but just information which may or may not be useful.
 - o If you don't believe the public would support establishing a building fund levy, would they support a levy to cover the cost of a roof project? Most people who own property know what can happen if a roof isn't repaired when it's needed. Those who won't support a building fund that goes on indefinitely might consider a limited use levy with a deadline.
 - o Interest on general obligation bonds right now is around 4.25%

- o A 20-year bond for a \$750,000 project at 4.25% would cost about \$365,000 in interest and require about 4.7 mills per year to pay off.
- Does it make sense to hold a referendum for a project that you pay off in 20 years, knowing that you probably have between 5-10 more years before it gets replaced again?
- o The earliest you could hold a referendum is on the June 2026 general election.
- o If the project qualifies as an emergency, it would be eligible for the State Coal Trust Fund loan, which is around 2%.