

Superintendent Report 5/2/25

Updates from around the district and the state.

1. Thursday, May 8 will mark our 163th day of student attendance and leaves just 12 days left in the school year. Just a reminder that Tuesday, May 27 is an 11:30 dismissal. The first day of student attendance for the [2024-25 school year](#) is scheduled for Wednesday, August 13.
2. Spring sports (baseball, track and field, soccer, tennis, and softball) are well underway and the postseason will begin soon. What trophies and medals will our teams and individuals bring home this year? Time will tell. Schedules of remaining contests [can be found online](#).
3. Many extracurricular camps and clinics will take place this summer. Families should be on the lookout for camp forms at each school building and in your email.
4. Kindergarten registration for the 2025-26 school year opened on April 28 and will close on May 16, while registration for all other students will begin on July 14. You can [learn more and access registration documents](#), supply lists, medical requirements and FAQs on GeneseoSchools.org.
5. Geneseo High School celebrated 15 students who signed collegiate letters of intent on Monday and Tuesday. There is a full list and [photos of the students on our website](#).
6. We've created a page on [GeneseoSchools.org for the new lifetime athletic passes](#) and will be sharing the news on our social media accounts to let the community know about them in the near future.
7. Regarding personnel for 2025-26, we still have a couple vacancies. I will give a real-time update during the board meeting as we hope to fill a few positions this month.
8. Regarding certain agenda items, below is additional, more specific information:
 - a. We will be recognizing the educational careers of the five certified employees who are retiring:
 - i. Teri Mincks (Southwest Instructional Coach): 29 years in Illinois + 7 years outside of Illinois = 36 years
 - ii. Jon Murray (GHS Physical Education/Driver's Ed): 32 years
 - iii. Kim Rivera (Millikin Kindergarten): 31.50 years
 - iv. Deb Wagner (GMS Science): 24 in Illinois + 2 = 26 years
 - v. Pat Mitchell (GMS History): 28 years
 - vi. Michelle Craig (Southwest 3rd Grade): 24 years
 - b. Special Presentations
 - i. Scott Johnson, District Architect, will present a 10-Year Health Life Safety Overview.
9. From Mrs. Boone regarding this year's summer school program.
 - a. *The Summer Learning Jumpstart program is designed to mitigate summer learning loss and accelerate academic growth in Mathematics and English Language Arts. Recognizing the critical foundational skills developed in these early years, the program provides and targets engaging and developmentally appropriate activities and instruction to reinforce key concepts, build confidence,*

and prepare students for the upcoming academic year. Research indicates early intervention is key in building student success. Additionally, our data has indicated the best growth, gains and attendance has been from our primary students in the program. This year, our program will focus on PreK through 1st-grade students to maximize early intervention services. We are returning to Pre-Covid classroom numbers due to student achievement increases, decreased demand in recovering learning loss and grant funding reductions.