

Superintendent Report (10/8/20)

Updates from around the district and the state

1. All three Special Board Committees have been busy. Here is a quick update of each, but committee members will have the opportunity to report to the whole board additional thoughts later in the agenda.
 - a. The Coaching Evaluation Plan Committee met for a second time on 10/1/20. Kyle Ganson and Bill Menendez represent the Board on the committee.
 - b. The Vocational Committee met on 9/22/20. The committee is seeking approval to move forward with researching a new stand-alone vocational building, located south of the tennis courts at GHS. Heather DeBrock and Karen Urick represent the Board on the committee.
 - c. The Health Insurance Committee met on 10/1/20 to review information provided by Cottingham & Butler regarding costs associated with health insurance for employees for the next three years. A recommendation to the whole Board is included later in the agenda. Barry Snodgrass and Diane Olson represent the Board on the committee.
2. I want to thank all of the stakeholders for their feedback over the last few weeks regarding our current learning model. As a result, you are being presented with a proposal to transition to a 50% capacity hybrid model for the second quarter and beyond, starting on October 19, 2020.
3. Not to get political, but the graduated income tax question placed on the November 3 ballot could have significant implications for Illinois school districts. Governor Pritzker presented two budgets for FY21, one with the assumption that money from the new tax would be available, and one without the tax. Governor Pritzker announced that schools would not receive their full amount for the year if the tax did not pass. He also recently made the announcement that state agencies should prepare for a 5-10% revenue reduction if additional Federal funding, that was also a part of the budget, was not received by Illinois.
4. I would like to recognize Board members Jim Ash, Diane Olson, and Karen Urick for their Master Board Member awards through the Illinois Association of School Boards. Master Board Member Points are earned by attending IASB division meetings, Governing meetings, legislative leadership programs as well as holding positions of leadership within the Association. Additional information will be provided later in the agenda.
5. At the end of this report is a letter from ISBE informing our schools of their Report Card designation for 2020. As a result of COVID, schools are receiving the same designation they did in 2019. GHS received the designation of **Exemplary**. Our other four buildings received the designation of **Commendable**.



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Chair of the Board

Dr. Carmen I. Ayala
State Superintendent of Education

October 5, 2020

Dear Superintendent Brumbaugh,

All 50 states responded to the COVID-19 pandemic, which emerged in March 2020, by applying for and receiving a waiver of certain assessment and accountability requirements for the 2019-20 school year. The approved ESSA Assessment and Accountability Waiver requires that all schools be issued the same summative designation for 2020 that they received in 2019. We hope this stability allows you to continue to support and improve your schools as needed during these unprecedented times.

This reissued designation will be published on the 2020 Illinois Report Card, with a note regarding the impact of COVID-19 on summative designations. Please visit the ISBE Report Card website at www.isbe.net/ilreportcard for more information about the 2020 Report Card and the ways it will be different because of COVID-19. The Illinois Report Card Educator Preview that will open on either October 1¹ or October 15² will allow you to view your designation as it will be displayed on the 2020 Report Card, along the various COVID-19 impact labels and other contextualizing information.

In the past, ISBE has released designations in conjunction with the Report Card. The designations, along with other Report Card data, were considered to be under an embargo until the official release of the Report Card. **The release of the 2020 Report Card will follow the same process as in the past; however, the 2020 summative designations will not be under embargo as they are the same as on the 2019 Report Card.** They will be posted to the ISBE Summative Designation page at www.isbe.net/summative on

The chart attached to this letter officially identifies the school(s) in your district and their summative designation(s). Please contact the IL-EMPOWER Department at (312) 814-1088 or IL_EMPOWER@ISBE.net if a school(s) in your district was previously identified for support and improvement in either 2018 or 2019 and there are questions about school improvement planning, supports, and expectations for this year. Please contact Rae Clementz, director of Accountability, at aclement@isbe.net if you have questions regarding 2020 summative designation(s). Please contact Denise Blaney, director of Title Grants, at dblaney@isbe.net if you have questions on the School Improvement Grant and/or funding.

All previously identified schools received their Title I 1003(a) grant allocation for fiscal year 2021. Schools that were previously identified on the 2018 Report Card were in their first year of implementation of their School Improvement Plan in the 2019-20 school year. These schools are able to carry over unspent funds from FY 2020 and received an allocation equal to their Implementation Year 1 allocation. Their overall timeline is extended by one year, as follows:

¹ For those districts that certified their data in the Data Review and Verification Tool (DRVT).

² For those districts that did not certify their data in the DRVT.

Cohort 2018

- SY 2018-19 Planning
- SY 2019-20 Implementation Year 1 (Interrupted)
- SY 2020-21 Implementation Year 1
- SY 2021-22 Implementation Year 2
- SY 2022-23 Implementation Year 3

Schools that were previously identified on the 2019 Report Card were in their planning year in SY 2019-20. These schools are expected to move forward toward Year 1 implementation, even though plans may need to be revisited in light of COVID-19 and its continuing impact on schools. Schools in Cohort 19 may use this year to revise and finalize their School Improvement Plan and/or to move forward with strategies and interventions they believe are ready for implementation and will benefit students. The overall timeline is extended by one year as follows:

Cohort 2019

- SY 2019-20 Planning (Interrupted)
- SY 2020-21 Hybrid Planning / Implementation Year 1
- SY 2021-22 Implementation Year 1
- SY 2022-23 Implementation Year 2
- SY 2023-24 Implementation Year 3

Schools identified for Comprehensive Support in either 2018 or 2019 will continue to receive assistance from an ISBE school support coordinator and may collaborate with an approved IL-EMPOWER Learning Partner(s) to update and implement their School Improvement Plan. Schools identified for Targeted Support may continue to use the supports of an approved IL-EMPOWER Learning Partner(s) and can access the school support coordinators by contacting the School Support Hotline at (312) 814-1088.

Schools have received FY 2021 allocations determined by the same graduated funding model, adjusted according to the schedules identified above. Base funding amounts are:

Comprehensive Support Schools	Targeted Support Schools
\$100,000 in Year 1	\$30,000 in Year 1
\$65,000 in Year 2	\$20,000 in Year 2
\$35,000 in Year 3	\$10,000 in Year 3

Additional dollars above these base amounts are provided based on an Evidence-Based Funding formula that considers a school’s enrollment and percentage of district adequacy.

ISBE staff look forward to working collaboratively with your district to ensure successful learning experiences for each child in every school.

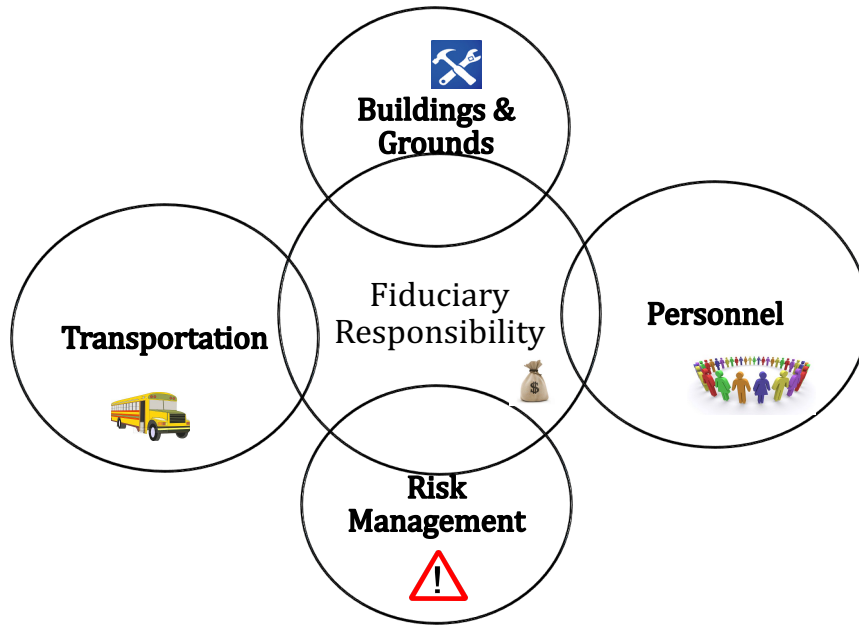
Sincerely,



Dr. Ernesto Matias
Education Officer

School Name	Summative Designation	Reason for Designation	Type
Geneseo High School	Exemplary	All Students	HS
Geneseo Middle School	Commendable	All Students	ES
Millikin Elem School	Commendable	All Students	ES
Northside Elem School	Commendable	All Students	ES
Southwest Elem School	Commendable	All Students	ES

**Operations Update
October 2020**



County Sales Tax Revenues Historical and FYTD:

Sales Tax Revenue

	FY 15	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	YTD % Increase (Decrease)
July	\$75,669	\$72,660	\$82,824	\$71,936	\$74,987	\$85,808	\$74,695	
August	\$78,339	\$78,312	\$76,691	\$78,778	\$99,687	\$91,476	\$70,755	-12%
September	\$87,977	\$83,634	\$82,544	\$85,508	\$81,368	\$86,667	\$87,687	
October	\$85,377	\$83,718	\$83,451	\$85,204	\$91,463	\$88,981		
November	\$79,133	\$80,163	\$80,143	\$81,876	\$86,915	\$82,260		
December	\$81,146	\$78,882	\$80,001	\$81,758	\$85,746	\$83,632		
January	\$80,888	\$82,089	\$79,251	\$81,544	\$85,746	\$82,961		
February	\$82,888	\$81,088	\$77,618	\$83,919	\$89,788	\$89,044		
March	\$80,552	\$79,131	\$78,646	\$85,957	\$84,543	\$88,400		
April	\$84,144	\$86,295	\$89,126	\$94,502	\$89,297	\$94,238		
May	\$66,904	\$64,765	\$67,456	\$73,367	\$67,423	\$73,588		
June	\$68,349	\$63,908	\$63,360	\$82,165	\$81,720	\$69,092		
Total	\$951,366	\$934,645	\$941,111	\$986,514	\$1,018,683	\$1,016,147		

Expense Budget Variance Report FYTD:

Fund	FY 21	FY 21	FY 21	FY 20	FY 20	FY 20
	Budget	FYTD Activity	% of Budget	Budget	FYTD Activity	% of Budget
Education	19,024,161.00	5,063,087.26	26.61%	18,126,655.00	5,901,285.07	32.56%
O & M	3,091,467.00	900,277.42	29.12%	2,185,808.50	780,842.21	35.72%
Debt Service	3,631,147.00	1,015,855.25	27.98%	3,568,700.00	1,047,498.50	29.35%
Transportation	2,108,924.00	351,392.68	16.66%	1,958,363.00	388,686.95	19.85%
IMRF/SS	680,331.00	143,088.49	21.03%	660,023.00	181,191.70	27.45%
Capital Projects	170,000.00	98,597.38	58.00%	797,000.00	196,489.51	24.65%
Working Cash	700,000.00	0	0.00%	250,000.00	0	0.00%
Tort	1,017,660.00	346,720.30	34.07%	596,845.00	297,220.81	49.80%
Health Life Safety	1,000.00	0	0.00%	1,000.00	0	0.00%
Totals	30,424,690.00	7,919,018.78	26.03%	28,144,394.50	8,793,214.75	31.24%

ROE Walkthrough Safety Inspection.

The annual ROE Safety Inspection took place in late July. All findings were minor violations and will be easily taken care of by our maintenance and custodial staff.

Safety Drills

Schools are still required to perform all annual safety drills even in a remote/hybrid setting with emphasis on social distancing. Our schools have maintained their usual safety drill schedules for fire, tornado, active intruder.

LED Classroom Lighting

Maintenance has installed LED lighting in 8 classrooms at Northside. Goal is to have all Northside classrooms completed over winter break. Once Northside is completed, all elementary classrooms in the District will have dimmable LED lighting.

Upcoming:

Tentative Tax Levy Approval (November Board Meeting).
Annual Financial Report (AFR) (November Board Meeting).