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Board Members,

Please see the Middle School report below for the School Board Meeting on: February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Please let me know if you have any questions.

#### **Student Achievement and Well-Being**

- Planning has begun to prepare for MCA testing in April.
- 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade teachers have been utilizing the Fastbridge reading and math data to plan and implement interventions to those students in need.

#### **Effective Resource Management**

- Work continues on next year's schedule and staffing to maximize efficiencies.

#### **Family Partnership and Community Engagement**

- Eighth grade student and parent, 9<sup>th</sup> grade registration meeting took place on January 26<sup>th</sup>, as our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students begin the process of transitioning to 9<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Student Led Conferences are Feb 19<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Scholastic Book Fair Feb 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- [January Newsletter](#)

#### **Staff Development and Support**

- February 6, two hour late start the middle school teachers met in their collaborate teams. Fifth – eighth grade reading language arts teachers continued to review the Amplify and Arts and Letters ELA curriculums with the goal of making a recommendation by March. Work also continued on CORE reading and ELA standards implementation. Seventh and eighth grade teachers continued their work with the new Math and Social Studies standard implementation.