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FROM THE ELEMENTARY:

**All students perform at or above expectations**

- MCA testing is complete.
- Year-end assessments are in process. (FastBridge, SAEBRS, other classroom capstone items)

**All students feel they belong and are supported**

- Intentional positive contacts/communication home continue
- April Students of the Month were honored for the theme of Courage– 22 students Laker Proud lessons continue
- DAPE Extravaganza was an excellent experience–great opportunities for students to explore and a safe and engaging environment. Lots of fun!
- 4th grade students visited the middle school for a tour and orientation with Mr. Schimelpfenig, the 5th grade team, and other MS staff. This is a nice opportunity to meet staff, ask questions and ease some of the worries in the transition from elementary to middle school.
- End of Year assemblies are being planned to honor and celebrate students.

**Effective and efficient use of resources**

- Materials have been submitted to MDE for a “Desk Review” for Title I programs. Information and results will be shared when available. (deadline was May 7 for submission).
- Title I documents will be in draft form for your review as part of the 2025-26 grant process. Final approval of the parent involvement plans will be finalized with the advisory team and submitted to the HLWW school board for review/approval in June.

**Demonstrate HLWW school communities as the BEST choice for students, staff and residents**

- Continuing weekly “positive plugs” highlighting different school events/activities via social media and other communications with our school community.
- Field trip season– hands on and experiential learning opportunities

**Create and maintain a collaborative culture, focused on learning and results**

- SST and child study teams continue to work in partnership with families to support students,
- Building Reconfiguration meetings are going well with thorough, respectful, and thoughtful conversation taking place. While progress might not be “visible/reportable” yet, we are headed in the right direction together. All options being considered for grade bands, resources, etc..
- Teacher and staff appreciation– staff were well celebrated by PTA and staff groups. May is a busy time of year, and the touches to honor the work they do each day are appreciated.

- Advocacy regarding the amendment to K-3 discipline. A letter was sent to legislators in a unified capacity to support HF 1436– administrators, union leadership, and board. The amendment addresses flexibility and professional judgment when handling safety for students/staff.