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TO: Board of Education

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Improvement RE: April Board Report

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Here are items of note from my office:

1. I was able to attend two different conferences this month. I attended the South Dakota Early Childhood Conference in Huron with Shannon Smith and Carnegie Leadership Summit in San Diego with Michelle. We were able to learn more about early childhood education in Huron. The Carnegie Foundation Summit on Improvement in Education was full of workshop sessions on leadership and improvement strategies. Michelle and I were able to get a lot of information and ideas that will help move our district forward.
2. Michelle and I attended both face to face and virtual training for our State Title Program. We learned about how we as a district can improve our Title Program as well as the new Title Crate that the state will be now using to house all of our documents.
3. Testing in all buildings will be wrapping up. The testing window closes on May 12. We've been able to successfully troubleshoot any issues that arose in a timely manner for the teachers.
4. We are happy to report that all issues that were flagged as deficient in our accreditation process have been resolved and our district is no longer in probationary status with the state and we are now listed as accredited.
5. Our teams from the buildings that have been targeted for school improvement have been meeting with Marge Stoterau and Becky Mohr to get a refresher and update their improvement plans for their respective buildings. From those meetings we have come up with a plan for our K-3 buildings to work on improving our PLC structure as well as beginning alignment work for our buildings to be more consistent across the district.
6. Michelle and I have been working to find various summer professional development opportunities for our staff. We are offering some in June for them to be able to use their flex time for making up contract hours as well as the book studies and other opportunities throughout the summer for those that want even more.