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TO: Board of Education

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RE: November Board Report

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Here are items of note from our office:

- **Data Meetings** Michelle and I have been visiting many of the schools to discuss state report card data and how it can be used. We've shared three-year target reports in English and Math and have been brainstorming ways to improve.
- **NWEA Testing -** All of our K-5 buildings are taking their winter benchmark MAP tests in December prior to winter break. This will allow us to dig deeper into our data at our in-service day on January 15.
- NWEA Training Michelle and I have a second training planned for our district
 administrators at the end of January to learn more about using the MAP growth targets. We
 also have training sessions being planned for our K-5 staff on MAP data for our January
 in-service day.
- State Assessments ACCESS testing will run from January 22 to February 23.
- Present at SDSU I had the opportunity to present to an assessment class with Kate Mogard at SDSU about our TAT (Teacher Assistance Team) process and what assessment we use and how.
- Tea Area Network of Improvers I was able to attend a professional development event hosted by the Tea Area School District on NOvember 14 and 15. During the two day event we learned about how their district uses continuous improvement strategies, tracks and shares data with stakeholders.
- **Curriculum Review -** We are in the process of reviewing our Science curriculum. Our committee will continue to meet throughout the winter in order to have a series for adoption selected by the end of the year.
- Standards Review The <u>South Dakota Science Standards</u> are now under review. They will
 go through a series of four public hearings hosted by the Board of Education Standards.
 The Department of Education (DOE) is currently taking written public comment on the
 proposed standards; access those links via our <u>Standards Under Review webpage</u>. The
 next hearing will be January 22 in Pierre.