



SEPTEMBER ENTRY PLAN UPDATE

It has been another great month with a lot of time spent in our buildings and in the community. Each of our buildings have their own unique culture, but share a common focus of supporting and helping our students. Now that we are a little more than a month into the school year it has been exciting to see our students and staff collaborate to ensure each student grows daily. The passion our staff shows for our students is truly remarkable and exciting to see in our hallways and classrooms.

Through the guidance and leadership of our Board of Education, we have also identified five areas where we have further developed measurable, time-based goals for the school year. The five areas are Finance; Attract, Retain and Grow Staff; Academic Excellence through Quality Staff; Safety and Security; as well as, Public and Community Relations. This provides focus for our work this school year, with goals we will be able to share progress on during each of our Board Meetings.

I continue to find opportunities to build strong relationships with the community. Our district has grown, and connecting with key community partners is key to our success. Over the last month I was able to connect with several aldermen and our city manager so that we can continue to identify ways to partner. Communication has been key to ensuring our buses run on time and work through any unforeseen situations that could impact our buildings.

It has been a fantastic transition and I feel lucky everyday to be able to serve the community that gave me so much while I was growing up. The collaboration between our staff and community will be key to continuing to build the best experience for our students. We must continue to create the best environment for our students to guarantee they have the best chance to be successful as they transition out of our schools.