

Arapahoe-Holbrook Public Schools
Superintendent Report to Board of Education
May 12, 2023

Building & Grounds

1. HVAC Project Update - Completion week of June 19? The final pieces of ductwork/insulation were delivered June 6 and the power was connected on June 8. The units in each room will need to be balanced when the system is complete for maximum efficiency.
2. Playground Equipment - The playground equipment is scheduled to be delivered to Arapahoe on July 7. Crouch Recreation has organized for the installation to be on July 14 & 15. The guided self-install utilizes professionals from Wichita and will require about a dozen local individuals to set up the pieces. With only 3 items, it could just be a single day, but more likely will take 2. The GaGa Ball pit proposed by AHPS student Landen Hoefs is still on our list, but is awaiting formal approval by the Boy Scouts for his Eagle Scout badge project.
3. Summer Projects - We only have 2 larger summer projects on the list for right now (PK Windows / Carpet in Vocal Room), until we get a final bill on the 3-phase installation and until we find out of the AC unit for the Ag Classroom can be repaired, or if it needs to be replaced. Beyond those, we have normal summer cleaning/upkeep/maintenance to do.

Transportation

1. Bus Fleet / Small Vehicles - We will conclude the lease payments on our 4 full size and 4 mid size propane buses this year and will own them outright in June 2024. We are adding another 14 passenger mid-bus (used w/ 60k on it) instead of purchasing a maintenance pickup this year. We still have 2 Ford Transit 2500s on the list for order, but there is no movement in production yet.

Technology

2. Chromebooks/Mimio Displays - We have received all the equipment ordered from Computer Hardware and the invoices are included in the bills for this month. Distribution of the new machines and shifting of the previous Chromebooks will be managed by our district Technology Coordinator, Reid Stagemeyer at the start of the next school year.
3. Camera System - We will be adding another camera on the west end of the elementary hall to have a better view of that entry and activities on that end of the building. CEI has been contacted and is also looking into the possibility of a higher definition camera that allows for the level of zoom needed. We will also look at adding a camera or two on the south side of the track near the playground area for better exterior coverage, but that will wait until after the playground equipment is installed.

Other

1. Policy Updates - There will be clarification on a few previously approved policies in July and August, as well as policy updates from KSB due to changes in education law by the unicameral this last session. Expect some at each month's meetings.

2. Weight Room Form - I'll have an example of the updated Weight Room Use form for review at the board meeting. It will be a combination of the previous details, using a format and some wording from KSB to not have any conflict with our policies on public use of facilities. The policy has been established, so the form is only an administrative tool to follow the policy and does not need to be approved, but reviewed for acceptance. The final version (if any updates are needed) would be reviewed at the July meeting so we can establish the use of the new form (and any practices/protocols with it) beginning August 1.
3. Legislative Update
 - a. LB583 - Signed - Education Future Fund created / Foundation aid (\$1500/student) / SpEd Reimbursement 80% (AHPS State Aid total \$586,371)
 - b. LB243 - Signed - Property Tax Authority Limit (AHPS - down \$315,072 est.) - Theory = State Aid increases result in direct property tax relief / New documentation & reports to file showing decrease / Ability of Board to go 7% beyond tax request limit (based on district size) w 70% vote
 - c. LB753 - Tax credit for donations to Scholarship Granting Organizations that provide financial aid to students paying tuition to private schools (Linehan) / \$25 million cap year 1 and builds to \$100 million / Repeal effort started
4. Board Training/Development -
 - a. Board Retreat - June 21 - 8:00am - 12:00pm
 - b. NASB Area Mtg - Kearney - Sept. 13, 2023
 - c. NASB Labor Relations Conf - Lincoln, Oct 4-5, 2023
 - d. NASB State Education Conference - Omaha - Nov 15-17, 2023