

Arapahoe-Holbrook Public Schools
Superintendent Report to Board of Education
March 11, 2024

Building & Grounds

1. TwoPTurf Expanded Quote - I have a quote from our green space contractor for spraying/weeks. I asked for an expanded area to include some more spray to completely kill off vegetation in certain areas, and to cover the full green space around the building the same way the football field is covered. The difference is about \$2,000 between our regular services and the expanded services. With tight budgeting expected for next year, it is probably not the right time to commit more funds to this service.
2. IT Building Use - As we will no longer need the old shop available for IT classes next year, we plan to explore the possibility of using the cleared bays as possible space for vans/suburbans to keep them available, yet out of the weather during colder months. The roof on that building still has issues, but in it's current state, we can likely get by a while if all we are doing is storing vehicles.

Technology

1. Video System- A grant application for an additional camera to cover our playground area and some of the track towards the northeast corner of the school will be submitted this week. This is a competitive grant through NDE that is focused on school safety.
2. Chromebook/Mimio Purchase for 24-25 - I hope to have a quote on the 2 class sets of Chromebooks that are on our list for next year's 7th / 10th grade students that will allow us to keep our rotation going. We have also requested a quote for 2 Mimio Screens that would replace our two oldest SmartBoards in the elementary. If the quoted price fits, we may be able to replace 3 of the SmartBoards this summer, which would allow us to have all units changed out prior to the 25-26 school year.

Other

1. Nutrition Services Administrative Assessment - NDE has completed the regular review/audit of our school nutrition program and identified some corrective action that must be completed by April 4, 2024. Some of the changes are clerical (wording in a statement that is included in our student handbook), some is procedural, record keeping documents for nutritional information on food provided, and one is a review of our school wellness policy that must occur every 3 years. The last element will require a couple meetings of staff and some feedback provided by others within the district to make sure our school wellness policy meets federal guidelines and that we are making progress towards developing a healthier student/staff population through nutritional options and guidance
2. Perceptual Surveys - I'll have results from the perceptual surveys ready for your review at the board meeting on Monday. The staff has not yet had a chance to go through them as a group, but will do so within the next couple weeks. This data can be compared to last year's survey, and the themes (both strengths and concerns) are similar.

Board Training/Development -

- a. School District Finance Workshop - I am in the process of finding a resource who would be able to help us plan for some long term financial improvements for the district. A date for the workshop will be identified soon, but the target is to have this completed at the end of March or beginning of April. It appears an evening meeting would be the best option, and I'm figuring 2-3 hours would be needed. As with all other full board meetings/workshops, we will provide public notice through the appropriate media channels.
- b. Summer Board Retreat - I'd like to identify a time in June that we can hold a retreat to establish some goals for the district over the next couple years. Topics included would be finance, staffing, building and grounds, academic programming, extra-curriculars, and future strategic planning. We had this on the list for last year, but I was unavailable due to health issues.