

October 29, 2021

Dear SBCSC Families,

We've had a busy week! First, I want to thank all who attended the *Teacher Listening Sessions* this week at Washington, Riley, and Clay High Schools for your candor, thoughts, and solutions. We'll announce a new batch of *Sessions* for those on the third-tier schedule soon.

Clay Colonials hosted Adams Eagles on Wednesday for a Quiz Bowl Competition. Both varsity and junior varsity teams did an outstanding job. Congratulations to the Eagles on their victory. I'm proud of you all, and am continually impressed by your knowledge and hard work!

At Adams High School on Wednesday, we welcomed Mr. Gregg Weiczoreck, president of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, as part of his national "Leading Forward: The Listening and Learning Tour." Mr. Weiczoreck met with teachers and students, and learned about Adams African-American leadership groups.

Shout out to Rise Up Academy for having the last of our first sessions of Covid vaccine clinics! We'll see you for round two and booster shots at Clay on Wednesday and Riley on Thursday of next week. Visit sb.school to find out more about these clinics.

Jackson Middle School Tigers are the city football champions! They've done an excellent job this year and have been truly inspiring athletes, showing great sportsmanship and dedication.

Jackson will host another vaccine clinic November 8 and 9 for students and families, offering all vaccinations to reach state compliance in addition to the flu shot and COVID-19 vaccines for those 12 and over. Register by contacting the nurse at Jackson, 393-4500.

Thanks to Washington High School for their support of National Red Ribbon Week. Many students took their pledge to be drug free, and committed themselves to raise awareness about addiction and drug abuse. Also this month, they're also raising awareness of the dangers of bullying. I'm proud of you, Panthers.

Riley High School's Trunk or Treat on Thursday evening was a tremendous success. They moved the event indoors, and students from Jackson, Lincoln, Monroe, and Marshall were treated to an unbelievable amount of candy, thanks in large part to the generosity of Margie Anella, director of development at the Potawatomi Zoo, and her colleagues.

Open enrollment begins Monday, November 1! Visit sb.school to learn more about all of our programs and get students registered through the PowerSchool portal. Also remember that we'll be at Century Center on Thursday, November 18 from 6:30 to 8 for the Showcase of Schools. It's going to be outstanding.

We'll be meeting on Monday, November 1 at LaSalle Academy for our Board meeting at 5:30. Please join us in person or watch on the district's YouTube channel.

Have a happy Halloween and stay safe. Remember, as always, to read a book, check out a classic film, and listen to an album.

Have a great weekend, everyone.

Sincerely,

Superintendent of Schools