



March Family Update

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ADM Families,

While the weather is not fully cooperating this week, spring is here! Spring sports and activities are gearing up, and before we know it we will be graduating the Class of 2024 and having the last day of school. The natural rhythm of a school year is predictable and anticipatable. We can, and will, maximize the remaining school days between now and our last day with students. And then we can step into summer, with all that includes. Before then, let's rock and roll!



Facility Master Planning: Update

We continue to be engaged in the exciting planning process of the new high school, which is set to open for the start of the 2027-28 school year! A visioning committee meeting composed of teachers, parents, administrators, and board members met three times over the past few months to provide high level input on the programming and design elements for the new high school. This work included visits to several newly constructed schools to gather input and design ideas from newly constructed spaces.

Later this spring we will hold a series of user group meetings for even more detailed and specific feedback about the design and functionality of the building. This work will follow a similar process that was used in the design and development of Meadow View Elementary.

Safety and Security Updates

Safety and Security: Update

As was shared the past few months, we continue to be involved in the Governor's School Safety Program which will ultimately lead to funding for Iowa schools to make safety improvements in all buildings. All five attendance centers have completed a formal safety assessment conducted by a vendor provided by the Iowa Department of Homeland Security and received reports of findings and action steps from each safety assessment.

We have used these reports to identify priority future projects to improve safety and security at each school building and have submitted the grant application.



ISASP Assessments

In 2019 the Iowa Department of Education adopted the [Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress \(ISASP\)](#) for students in grades 3-11. This new assessment replaced the Iowa Assessments as our statewide accountability measure.

ADM will administer the ISASP assessments in grades 3-11 during the month of April. Tests will include math (grades 3-11), ELA reading and writing (grades 3-11) and science (grades 5, 8, and 10). Over the next few weeks, building principals will be communicating more information and specific plans about the ISASP assessment in each building.



Conditions for Learning Survey

All Iowa public school districts are required to administer an annual school climate and culture survey to students in grades 3-12. The survey is called the Conditions for Learning Survey. The survey is designed to measure student engagement in school, safety and the overall learning environment. Students will complete the Conditions for Learning Survey in April. Look for more information from your building principal in the coming weeks.



Reminder: On-Site Counseling

In January, ADM began a partnership with Family Connections, Inc. to provide in-person on-site mental health therapy services for students. Students may be referred for these services by the district or a family may express interest in services directly to Family Connections, Inc. Appointments take place on-site at ADM, with all payment and insurance logistics handled between Family Connections, Inc. and the student's family. If you have any questions about this resource, please contact your student's [building school counselor](#).



Reminder: Student Assistance Program

ADM partners with Employee and Family Resources (EFR) to provide a formal Student Assistance Program (SAP). ADM's Student Assistance Program is confidential, free, and available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Please read the following overview for more information about this important and FREE program: [ADM Student Assistance Program](#).



Reminder: 2024-25 ADM Academic Calendar Approved: In December, the ADM Board of Education approved the 2024-25 academic and staff calendars.

[Click To View: 2024-25 ADM Academic Calendar](#)

Have a great day!

Sincerely,
Greg Dufoe
ADM Superintendent