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To: Dr. Robert Schiffbauer, Board of Education

From: Dr. Phil Pakowski

Date: March 18, 2026

Subject: March Board Report

PowerSchool Master Schedule Work

This year we will be using PowerSchool to build the Master Schedule for the 2026-2027 school year. With the schedule change at South Campus and the regular schedule running at Central Campus, we are having trainers from PowerSchool join us this week to oversee the building of the schedule and help troubleshoot any areas that may have difficulties. The registrars, counselors, tech department, department chairs, and I will be working with the trainers to build the best possible schedule for our students and staff.

Spring Testing

ACCESS testing for ELL students has been completed at both campuses. The ACCESS test measures students' English language proficiency and helps determine placement in courses as well as the amount of support a student should receive. On April 14th, all Juniors will be taking the ACT, while freshman and sophomores will be taking the PreACT Secure for their grade level. This is the second year of the ACT State contract. Staff was trained on expectations for ACT testing during the March 11th Department meeting. The last set of exams, AP exams, will take place in May. AP exams were ordered for students on March 13th.

Strategic Plan - Staff Professional Development

As of March 2026, MCHS has provided over 160 professional development opportunities for staff across all departments, both curricular and extra-curricular. Every member of the administrative team has also participated in professional development directly related to current initiatives or their role in the district. Our Department Chairs, Directors, Principal, and Assistant Principals have done a great job providing opportunities for our staff in an effort to promote continued professional growth at MCHS.