



February 26, 2020

Dear SBCSC families,

Last night, the City of South Bend observed its sixth annual Black History Month Celebration, recognizing [thirteen local leaders](#) who have been outstanding in their service and leadership in our community. Among them are Riley High School's principal Shawn Henderson and Washington High School Wrestling coach Murray Miller, and from the South Bend Empowerment Zone, Harrison Elementary's principal Karla Lee and Navarre Middle principal Nathan Boyd. To all of those recognized, many of whom are alumni and former employees of our district, congratulations. Thank you for your leadership and commitment to our city and students.

Today, I'm heading to Indianapolis with our Washington High School girls' basketball team ahead of their state championship game tomorrow afternoon. The character and grit these young women have shown throughout this difficult year is remarkable. We are cheering them on, and congratulate them on a fantastic season. If you're not with us at Bankers Life Arena in Indianapolis, be sure to watch them tomorrow at 3:30 p.m. on WHME TV 46. Ever onward, Lady Panthers. We wish you the best of luck.

Congratulations Riley High School senior Michael Burns, who will compete at the state swim competition tonight and Saturday. We're proud of your achievements, Michael. To our swimmers and divers who have completed their seasons, congratulations on a great year.

Remember to tune into Monday evening's School Board of Trustees meeting at 5:30 p.m. As always, you can stream it from our YouTube district page, and submit your comments to BoardComments@sb.school.

Enjoy the warmer weather this weekend! I hear that our Darden Darts have been busily tapping the sugar maples along their nature trails this week. I'm hoping that these mild temperatures help move the sap along! Be sure to wear your mask, wash your hands, and maintain social distance. After watching our Lady Panthers go read a book, watch a film, or listen to an album.

Have a great weekend, and Go Panthers!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Todd Cummings".

C. Todd Cummings, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools