

February 25, 2022

Dear SBCSC Staff,

Congratulations to our state-bound Washington High School girls basketball team. It has been a terrific season for this group, and I can't wait to cheer them on this weekend. Be sure to get <u>tickets</u> to what I know will be an exciting competition in Indianapolis tomorrow, February 26, at 6:00 p.m. I want to thank a fantastic group of young women for their hard work this season. If you attend, please come and say, Hello!

I'd also like to congratulate the Riley boys' swim team members, who will compete in the state meet in Indianapolis this weekend. Your dedication and passion are greatly appreciated and inspiring to our community. We're proud of each of you, and look forward to celebrating your success.

Congratulations to our student-athletes who signed letters of intent to continue their careers at the collegiate level earlier this week. We wish you the best of luck and continued success.

Thank you to all of our students, families, and community members who came out this week to learn more about the 21st Century Scholars and Career and Technical Education programs. Remember, if you have any questions, call Roberto Leal at 574-393-3865 for information about 21st Century Scholars or Federico Rodriguez III at 574-393-6015 for CTE programs.

I encourage all our teachers to apply for <u>National Endowment for the Humanities</u> (HEC) grants, especially <u>Landmarks</u>. With this grant, K-12 educators can immerse themselves in our country's most remarkable historical sites, bringing history back to our students in a significant way. I was fortunate enough to learn firsthand the impact of this grant as a teacher, visiting Pearl Harbor and Jack Kerouc's Lowell, MA. This is a tremendous opportunity. Please consider applying, and keep me updated! To learn more, visit <u>www.neh.gov.</u>

The <u>Michiana Area Council of Government</u> (MACOG) is collaborating with <u>South Bend Public Transportation</u> to make public transportation more accessible and enjoyable for everyone in our community. Please complete the <u>survey</u>, which will ask a series of questions about riders' experiences, as well as any issues you may have encountered. Your input will enable the creation of new and approved routes and frequencies. Visit <u>www.connecttransitplan.com</u> for more information on MACOG and the Connect Transit Plan.

Remember to read a book, watch a classic film, or listen to a new album.

Have a great weekend, everyone,

Superintendent of Schools