

**To: Dansville School Board Members**

**From: Andy Cox**

**Date: September 10, 2018**

**Re: DES update**

- The elementary Back-To-School Bash was held as part of the “Aggie Family Goes Back to School” event on the evening of the first day of school. We had a tremendous turnout of both current family members eager to meet the teachers as well community members interested in seeing the renovations in progress at the elementary.
- Constitution Day will be recognized on Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> with all of our students wearing red, white and blue with grade level specific lessons and activities planned by the teachers.
- PBIS rotations occurred during the first week of the school year to refresh for all students the expectations at various locations around the school. Each station lasted 15-20 minutes with a brief description of the expectation with examples of how to be safe, respectful and responsible as well as non-examples.
- MSTEP data has been received from the state along with helpful parent guides and fact sheets on helping students prepare for state tests. The parent reports and resources will be provided at fall conferences with a brief explanation from the teachers.
- A Kindergarten/Begindergarten Parent Night was held on September 6<sup>th</sup> to help answer any questions families had after their first few days of school. Attendance was mostly made up of parents who are new to the school district.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade camp is coming up on October 8-12th.
- The Aggie Academy summer school program wrapped up its 4 week program in mid-August. This program focused on building reading fluency by using strategies from the Florida Center for Reading Research. In addition, math fact fluency was practiced daily utilizing the Spring Math program. 27 students committed to being a part of preventing the “summer slide” and were outstanding with their attendance.
- Our Dads & Donuts/Moms & Muffins programming will resume again this year beginning in October. We have had a couple generous donations from the community to keep these programs in place.