To: Dansville School Board Members

From: Andy Cox Date: April 9, 2019 Re: DES update

- M-STEP testing has begun for 5th graders and will continue until the 19th. Third grade will test the first week of May. Fourth grade will test from May 13-17.
- March is Reading Month was a huge hit again this year. We had a great planning committee that went above and beyond to schedule high-interest activities and special events. Our final reward allowed the top three students in each class who read the most minutes a special game time with Mr. Cox. Our Read-A-Thon fundraiser raised \$5246.25! This is \$3000 more than what was raised last year so the community is really supporting the Read-A-Thon concept as this was its 3rd year.
- On Monday, April 8th, the Dansville Public Library presented a "Zoo In Your Neighborhood" event along with Potter Park Zoo here in our elementary cafeteria. Approximately 80 people were in attendance for this event which involved animal books being read to the group with the actual animals on display.
- Our final round of Fast Bridge and Spring Math screeners will take place the first 3 weeks of May. This is our third screening of the year which collects data on reading and math growth.
- Our final Dads & Donuts will take place on May 2nd at 7:30 in the elem. gym. Moms & Muffins will wrap up on May 9th at 7:30.
- Elementary conferences were well attended this spring with an attendance percentage of 95%. This is a little bit higher than our normal spring conference percentage.
- Michele Momberg completed the Reproductive Health classes for 4th/5th grades in the weeks leading up to Spring Break. Just a very small number of parents opted their students out of the program.
- Aggie Adventure Night will not be happening this year due to the continued construction project and lack of a "back yard". We look forward to bringing it back next year.
- Another 7 Mindsets Awards breakfast is scheduled for Wednesday, April 17th. This
 event will recognize students who exemplify The Time Is Now and Attitude of
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