

Superintendent's Interim Report to the Governing Board

October 26 – November 2, 2018

From the Desk of

Jacquelin Collins, Superintendent

- Thank you for attending our Strategic Planning Workshop that was held on October 18th. Afterwards many of you sent encouraging words commenting on how the workshop was both informative and productive. Your attendance and participation was vital and appreciated by our educators, staff, and stakeholders. As always, Thank You for supporting our amazing charter school system.
- Red Ribbon Week activities will be system-wide starting the week of October 22nd November 2nd. Since 1985 this week has been set aside as an opportunity to show youth our support for a drug free America. It's an especially great time to talk to students about making healthy life choices.
- You don't want to miss the boo-tastic fun that is sure to be had at our elementary school's annual Halloween Parades. Please check school websites for times and details. Have a safe and fun Halloween!

CSA System Update

Jacquelin Collins, Superintendent

- Charter School Best Practice Audit was made public this week and findings were limited to 4 (regarding internal funds accounting practices) as opposed to 22 found in 2016. Additional updates to these findings were put in place this year which were not mentioned in this recent audit. I am working closely with Vicki Bateman to align our finance policies with the City's policies. We are aware of the possibility there may be some exceptions to our policies as schools need to operate differently in certain areas.
- Upon my request, Fire Chief Ryan Lamb researched the use of fire hose as an extra classroom door security device for the charter schools. He found a memo from the State Fire Marshall and the Florida Division of Risk Management that states the use of any type of devices that does not comply with current laws and codes is not allowable in the State of Florida. Therefore, we will not be able to use fire hose as an additional security method nor any other device aside from the code approved door locks that already exist on our classroom doors.
- This interim period we have one new hire, John Ferrara Maintenance Technician, and one resignation, Connie Rinehart, Speech/Path, OES. Between the existing staff, and the new members we are acquiring, you can be sure our system is in good hands.
- We are still recruiting for bus drivers and a new Transportation Coordinator. Hopefully interviews will be completed by the first week of November.

Business Management

MaryAnne Moniz, Business Manager

- The Portable Replacement Report is being finalized and will be presented at the upcoming Governing Board Meeting for their consideration.
- The Backflow repairs have been submitted for work to be done. Total was \$20,015 which was an unbudgeted item.
- 135 Meraki Access Points have been ordered and received. This project will be completed by City ITS once a vendor has been selected for the installation. This will be partially offset by E-Rate Funding.
- The City Auditor's Office issued the final Charter School Authority Best Practices Report October 16, 2018; we are still waiting final distribution of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report by Clifton, Larsen, Allen.

Maintenance

Brent Richardson, Building Maintenance Supervisor

- First and foremost, it's a pleasure to join the Charter School Authority family. You should know I have more than 15 years of successful experience in commercial mechanical and facilities management, and I'm looking forward to moving our facilities operations to the Next Level.
- Another big Oasis Welcome to John Ferrara, our new Charter School Maintenance Technician. He will be stationed in the OES building, but because we are a team, his many talents and skills will be used systemwide.
- The Punch-Out lists or final stages of mechanical work for the OES and the Middle School HVAC projects will start Oct 22nd.
- Scheduled repairs of system Backflow will commence on Nov 2nd.
- Tentatively, the Security Guard House should be operational by the end of November.

Procurement and Food Service

Danielle Jensen, Director

- Upgrading Oasis campus HVAC control system from Java to Niagara with vendor Tekplan Solutions.
- USSI started their contract on October 1 to take over custodial services.
 Working through issues and concerns but off to a great start.
- Purchase order for OHS 80-ton RTU units was issued for \$174,834.40 to Daikin Applied on October 12, 2018. School staff is meeting with city procurement on October 24 to develop a RFP for installation of units for next summer break.
- City procurement will issue Transportation Outsourcing RFP on October 31, 2018
- Working with vendors to replace copier lease. We are towards the end of our 5 year lease and the units constantly need to be repaired.

Procurement and Food Service

- Statement of Financial Performance for 2017-18 was due October 15. Food Service had \$1.2M in revenue with \$1.024M in expenses, so the department was \$186.6 profitable for the year.
- Verification process started October 1. The system has chosen the 3% of applicants to be verified. The families have until November 15 to provide their information.
- Cafeterias are finally fully staffed for this school year.

IT /Tech Support Steve Cole, Network Support Analyst

- The City IT Department has ordered Meraki Access Points; installation should start by mid-November.
- Implementation of Rediker is proceeding with limited issues.
- A big shout out to high school IT Student Interns especially NIC ZIVKOVICK for his initiation, trouble-shooting, and problem-solving skills. Thanks for your enthusiasm and great attitudes!

Athletics

Frank Haba, Oasis High Athletic Director

- To stay in compliance with FHSAA standards, OHS Athletics is in the process of collecting mandatory FHSAA paperwork for all winter sports programs, i.e., Boys and Girls Soccer, Boys and Girls Basketball, and Wrestling. The process should be completed no later than November 12th.
- The OHS Athletics Department is in the process of setting up a third training session for First Aid/CPR/AED so that all OHS coaches (paid) will be fully certified.
- A storage shed that was purchased by the Foundation for our OHS Athletic Department will be set-up no later than Nov. 12th.



Christa McAuliffe Elementary

Kevin Brown, Principal

CME was awarded the title of "Florida School of Excellence." To be eligible, schools had to earn a grade of an "A" or a "B" in the three most recent school-years, and had to rank at the 80th percentile or higher for their school type for at least two out of the three years. This is the 2nd year straight that CME has been awarded this recognition!

Boosterthon was held from October 3 - 12th and was a huge success! CME students will receive \$43,000. We will purchase new chromebooks and supplemental aids to use in the classrooms. This is CME's 4th year participating in Boosterthon.

Our Halloween Parade is on October 31st. Students, staff, and teachers are all welcomed to participate. We will have a contest between teachers (each grade level comes us with a theme).

The CME Book Fair will be held from October 29th – November 5th in our library. This year's theme is "Enchanted Forest." We would love for our Board members to come by and check it out! Please let our front office know if we can expect you: (239) 283-4511.

It's almost CME Carnival Time! Join us for some great family fun Saturday, November 3rd on the school campus.



Oasis Elementary School

Christopher Cann, Principal

I negotiated a 2 year deal and purchased MobyMax, which is the most similar program I could find compared to Compass learning. It has a pre-test that is standard based, standards path is on-going with data, children can use it at home, reports are awesome, it has ELA, math, science, and SS.



Oasis Elementary

"2nd Grade Family Picnic in the Breezeway"



Oasis Elementary

Implemented the WATCH DOGS Program.
 This year there are 17 WATCH DOGS!





Progress monitoring in reading and math of all 838 students has been done for the first quarter. Parent information letters have been sent home.

OMS will be celebrating Red Ribbon Week starting October 29th. Students, teachers and staff will take part in themed dress up days, thoughtful projects and presentations by multiple law enforcements agencies.

Congratulations to our Lady Iguana basketballers for a great season, that sadly came to an end last week at Oak Hammock by two points. The girls finished the season as North Division Champions and Regional runner-up with a record of 9-1. Our 9 member team fought had all season and came away with a stellar year.

Oasis Middle

OMS Cross Country team competed at the District Championship last week. Josh Sykes and Jack Wilson qualified for the State meet by coming in 15th and 24th place overall in the boys race. The entire girls team qualified for the State championship meet by coming in 4th place overall out of 23 teams. The girls were impressively led by Jenna Rosado who came in 17th place and the overall Girls Champion coming in first place Evie McCarthy.







Dr. Christina Britton, Principal

- We had 35 members of Leadership Cape Coral visit OHS. Three students and several staff members presented to the group while they enjoyed a breakfast prepared by our Culinary students. They toured Culinary, Engineering, Music, and our new weight room facilities. They were very impressed with our fabulous students.
- Our early release day was spent discussing successes up through first quarter, additional student data, and intense discussions about how we know what our students are learning, and how we go about building support for those that need it.
- We held our first college information night covering all topics from applications to AICE diplomas to Bright Futures. About 150 parents and students attended.