

A Message from Superintendent Hoernemann



The Strategic Plan continues to guide our work.

Goal #5: "Develop ongoing methods to maximize school district revenue and manage resources efficiently in support of the strategic plan."

The detailed work of the Efficiency Task Force 2015 yielded results that will bring an estimated savings of \$350,000 to our school system. A month ago, the School Board voted on boundary and transportation adjustments that will take effect in the 2015-16 school year. Detailed information is posted under the "District News" tab on this website and on the ETF web page (<http://www.avon-schools.org/Page/12062>).

We continue to look in every barrel and kick every can to seek efficiencies and cost savings for our school corporation. We are keeping a vigilant eye on the progress of the state legislators concerning the Indiana school funding formula. Several of our parents and community members have visited some of the sessions at the State House to listen and to testify. Some of them are a part of the Avon Oriole Advocates. The Oriole Advocates is a group of concerned citizens working to promote student achievement and community engagement in our schools. Their vision is to engage the Avon-Washington Township community and local and state-level leaders to help ACSC remain one of the premier school corporations in Indiana. They are currently advocating for change to the Indiana school funding formula. More information about the Oriole Advocates can be found here: <http://orioleadvocates.com/wp/about-us/>.

Goal #3: "Enhance communications at all levels to build stronger, richer and more authentic relationships."

We can never communicate too much. We applaud our community for its in-depth involvement in the Efficiency Task Force process. To summarize:

- 240 attended the Board Public Forum
- 331 watched live video stream
- 344 watched the taped video later that week
- 1,901 completed the online survey
- 50+ pages of narrative comments were generated

All of this input led to the Board making very informed decisions for changes in the 2015-16 school year.

Simply put, we could not have done it without you. Thank you for engaging with us to increase efficiencies and manage our resources.

Let's finish strong. Continue to encourage your children and be sure to thank their teachers for their hard work.

As always, I welcome your feedback. Feel free to email me at mehoernemann@avon-schools.org.

Sincerely,

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