Principal's Report to the SCC Monday, February 09, 2015

Student Life

MHS Drama club's production of Jekyll & Hyde went very well. All MHS students and the grade 8s at Venture and Valley were able to attend. It was great that the City of Martensville was so accommodating to us with this performance.

Our student group, Project Change, raised over \$5000 to support our family as they continue with the cancer treatment and recovery.

Student Success and Student Services

We mailed out honour roll letters last week. Close to 200 letter went out. We were pleasantly surprised by A&W's generous support of our honor roll program. Instead of the free root beer coupons, they gave us close to 200 Teen Burger meal vouchers. Wow!

Students with failing grades. At the end of the semester we had 17 students (appx 4% of our student body) who did not receive a credit in one or more classes. Nineteen credits in total were not received (that's about 1% of total possible student credits).

Chromebooks and Office 365

Our school acquired a set of 24 chromebooks to act as additional / mobile computer lab. These are kind of a hybrid between a laptop and an iPad. They have a keyboard but not hard drive space. They should be quite functional given that all students have now been provided with access to *Office 365* – which is the cloud version of the full Microsoft Office Suite. Students also have storage space in the cloud.

New Courses / Sciences Next Year

We are excited to be offering Native Studies 30 next year. Additionally, we will be offering all three of the new Science 20 courses – Physical Science 20, Health Science 20, and Environmental Science 20. These will be the only Sciences offered at the 20 level. Information will go home to parents of grade 10 students shortly. We expect to begin course selection at the end of March.

Athletics

We ran a full slate (Sr. Girls, Jr. Girls, Sr. Boys, Jr Boys) of basketball teams this year. The season is winding up. Curling is also up and running. Badminton and Track & Field are to follow.

On the Horizon

Grade 11 Retreat – March 16th & 17th. The purpose of this trip is to have our grade 11s plan for and commit to a positive grade 12 year, as well as to think about post-secondary goals. Camp Kadesh.

Grade 8 Open House – March 5th

Parent - Teacher - Interviews - March 18th & 19th

Grade 10 Ski Trip and Aquatic Centre - March 25th

Voyage Club trip – April 5th – 17th.

Grad - May 15th