Good Evening Board Members:

This year has been a bit wild. We have 42 more students than we had expected and are still working on getting to know them all, making sure every student has what they need to be successful. This has posed many challenges that we are working through.

I met with the community engagement committee and we have some plans in place to address our engagement needs. The committee will report out on this.

We have been pretty successful at keeping positive COVID cases at bay - reporting only 5 for the school year - 3 coming from weekly voluntary testing.

Our homecoming dance - scaled down to just OHS students - was a great success. We held it outside with masks.

Athletics for the fall is winding down. Derek will send a more detailed athletic report at the end of the fall season and the beginning of the winter season.

Here is the Facility report and a few pictures and notes from activities in classes and around campus and beyond.

Facility Director’s Report
10/27/2021

- We continue to replace failed pneumatic controls with electronic as required. The Faculty Room, Music Room and A19 are complete.
- We continue to have parts and equipment shortages as well as extended lead times due to covid. We have also found contractors are short staffed and taking longer to complete tasks for us. Everyone has been understanding and patient and we appreciate it.
- We are in process of installing the last Point of Service lead water filter. The report will be submitted to the state as soon as it is complete so that the state can send us bottles for retesting. If all passes we will be able to use the sinks again.
- The replacement of 3 outside doors is complete; A-Wing and two at River Bend.
- The replacement of the walk-in fridge and freezer is complete.
- The upgrade of the boy’s locker room showers is 99% complete and the girl’s locker room showers project is still in process. We hope to have them complete/useable by basketball season.
The Bradford Water and Sewer Department has replaced the corroded curb stop at back of the building. We are hopeful that the plugged valve issues will not reoccur.

Respectfully Submitted,
Terry Cromack
Facilities Director

**Athletic Update:**

We are closing in on the end of the fall athletic season. Playoffs for the high school teams begin the week of 10/25. Our middle school teams finished up their season with games at Lyndon on 10/21.

We maintained good participation numbers throughout the season, and although there were various instances where COVID forced us to adapt, we did not have to change or reschedule any games for that reason.

Currently the boys soccer team has a record of 1-12 with their final game against Rivendell. They will travel on the road for their playoff game. This is a very young group that has shown tremendous growth throughout the year, even if the results have not been as we wish.

The girls soccer team is currently 7-5-1 going in to their final game, and they have a chance to host a playoff game once again early next week. The football program picked up their first win of the season last weekend against Poultney and will enter the D3 playoffs as a 7 or 8 seed. This team has overcome many obstacles in relation to quarantine and injury, but have had sufficient numbers to maintain the program throughout the season.

Finally, the cross country team will travel to Thetford and compete in the state championship meet next weekend 10/30. This group has a very dedicated group of upperclassmen that have continued to improve at various meets throughout the season.

As we shift our focus to the winter season in the coming weeks, we are still waiting for guidance from the state on a few issues. Will there be an indoor track season? Will basketball players have to wear masks? Will fans be allowed into games? These are a few of the issues we are waiting for guidance on. We are still in the process of looking for middle school coaches for the basketball program, but our high school staff looks to all be returning.
Respectfully,

Derek Cipriano

Northeast Landscape -

... **Hikes Mr. Moosilauke**. On September 23, NEL climbed the Gorge Brook Trail up to the summit of Mt. Moosilauke in New Hampshire. While they were socked in at the summit with clouds, 40-50mph wind gusts, and rain, it was a great trip and the students rocked it! Students had been learning about glacial features and learning how to identify them along the trail.

... **goes to Peacham Bog.** NEL took their third trip of the school year to Peacham Bog in Peacham, VT. From this trip, students learned about wetlands and their importance to humans, ecosystem health, migratory birds, and other species within the ecosystem. After every trip, students use their pictures and experiences to write detailed trail reports **of the trail systems**
they hiked, the conditions of the trails, the weather, wildlife, etc.
Class of 2022

Seniors picked apples Oct 11 at Windy Ridge Orchard. They picked 6 half bushels that were donated to local food shelves, the Oxbow Cafeteria and the River Bend Culinary Program. They also took their senior class photo while they were in the orchard.

Pathways

The Pathways seniors have a monthly trip out to eat together as a celebration of earning Senior Privileges.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Wheeler