



## District 67 Board of Education

### Board President's Report

4.25.23

#### **Good Evening!**

In the interest of time, due to the length of our agenda this evening with numerous critical items being presented for our approval, I will keep my President's report brief.

District 67 is extremely fortunate to have outstanding educators and superb staff supporting our students day in and day out. They choose to spend their days striving to achieve our District's mission *to inspire and empower all students to maximize their growth as learners and develop a balanced sense of self, steadfast resiliency, and deep respect for others*. They are highly-skilled, compassionate, and dedicated. They are led in this work by extraordinary administrators. Our principals and assistant principals are exceptional educators who are committed to our students, families, teachers and staff. They work tirelessly to create educational environments that are conducive to growth for all. Our central office staff provide critical support to our employees, buildings, and leadership team. Our District leadership team is a top notch group who are relentless in their efforts to move our schools toward the District vision *as an innovative learning*

***community that educates without boundaries – where all students cultivate their minds, create enduring connections and discover their passions.*** They too are driven by a passion for learning, education, and student growth.

All of the future work within our District, some of which will be discussed during tonight's meeting, will be prioritized, guided, and driven by the [Portrait of a Learner](#) and our [new strategic plan](#). This work will require change. Changes to our physical spaces, changes to our staffing patterns, changes to curricular resources, changes to how instruction is delivered, changes to schedules, and changes in how our teams work together and collaborate with one another. Change is challenging. Leading change, implementing change, and being impacted by change is hard. Yet, without change our District simply cannot achieve progress. We cannot continue to do everything as it has been done and expect better results. As educators, staff, and leaders, I encourage you to embrace the changes ahead. Continue to collaborate with one another utilizing your expertise, talents, creativity, and all of the resources available to you in the pursuit of improving the educational experiences we offer for all students. On behalf of our Board and community I would like to express my deep gratitude for each and every member of the District 67 team. With that I will hand it over to Dr. Montgomery.

