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SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH

- In recognition of School Board Appreciation Month, I would like to present all of you with a certificate of appreciation. I would also like to thank all of you for your service and dedication to the District.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

- The last day of school for students and staff is May 24th with dismissal at 11:30am. We will celebrate staff who are retiring (Kathy Breiner, Mary Beth Cooper, Bruce Gervais, Kevin Hoover and Vickie Kaiser) at 2:00pm with a celebration in the High School Commons. Staff with 25 years of service will also receive a golden apple award and the Class of 1979 Teacher of the year will be presented. Board members are welcome to attend.

NEW TEACHER DAY (JUNE 15)

- We want to improve our processes for onboarding new staff to the district. It is important for us that we support our new teachers in a way that will allow them to be successful in the Algona Community School District right from the start. We will continue to have our New Staff Training days in August, but we felt there were some other things we could do to make those days even more effective. We have invited our new teachers to the District on June 15th from 9:00-12:00. In those three hours, we will provide them with their laptop and get them logged into their google account, review the district calendar and school app with them, have them meet with our Director of Buildings and Grounds who will provide them with keys, meet with with Janie Eischen who will help them with their first steps as a teacher in the District, meet with the Principals and finally visit their rooms. We will end the day with lunch at the Feed Mill and any Board Member is welcome to attend as well.

NORTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE ADMISSION CHANGE

- Effective at the beginning of the 2022-23 school year, the North Central Conference will raise admission prices for the first time since 2006. Adult admission will now be \$8 and students will be \$5. Local districts will continue to have the flexibility to offer incentives

for home events, such as senior citizen passes. Each school in the conference will send this information out to our communities on the same date (coming soon).

BOARD RETREAT

- The retreats that we have had the past two years, including administrators, have proven to be very valuable in our planning and preparation for the upcoming year. I would like to propose a Board Retreat again this year. Having the retreat in early June allows for the ideas discussed to be used in our planning throughout the summer. Some possible dates could be _____.
- Some possible topics for the retreat could include: 1) Reorganization 2) Future School Schedules (4 Day student week) 3) Assessment Data 4) Future Facility Planning.