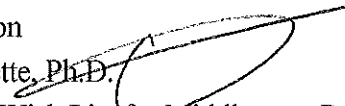




Middletown Public Schools

Michael J. Frechette, Ph.D., Superintendent of Schools

Memo

Date: December 22, 2009
To: Board of Education
From: Michael J. Frechette, Ph.D. 
Subject: Superintendent's Wish List for Middletown Public Schools

Per the Board of Education's directive at their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, December 8, 2009, please find below my "Wish List" for Middletown Public Schools:

- Full-day high-quality preschool for all students
- Increase school day
- Increase school year
- Expand before & after school programs
- Literacy and numeracy libraries for all students
- Expand parent training and programs
- Expand Family Resource Centers and Family School Connect Programs
- Family Liaison Positions at every school
- Elementary world languages
- Media specialists at all schools
- Director of Nursing, Health, and Wellness Services
- Early Childhood Assessment Team
 - (School Psy., Soc. Worker, SP/L, SPED Teacher, and Nurse)
- Instructional and data coaches at all schools
- Professional development and inservice programs (weekly)
- Increase time for teachers to collaborate (Data Teams)
- Laptops for all staff
- Increase high school graduation credits
- Expand alternative education at MHS and WWMS
- Expand summer school offerings
- Expand certified interventionist and tutorial support at all schools
- Increase supplies and materials for curriculum and instruction
- Electronic educational portfolios for all students
- Fine Arts: increase Cultural Council, expand drama program, increase theatre courses, piano and guitar classes, low brass instruments, and Kiln for Keigwin

- Athletics: field hockey, lacrosse, middle school volleyball and swimming, fencing, hockey, storage buildings, and athletic equipment
- Buildings and Facilities: increase supplies, materials, and equipment, annual increase in capital expenditures to maintain infrastructure, Keigwin feasibility/renovation project, roof replacement: Macdonough, Spencer, Snow, and WWMS, plowing equipment, tradesmen's vans, floor finish, MHS maintenance worker to support athletic complex and grounds
- Revamp WWMS Cafeteria to mirror MHS Cafeteria
- Enhance "Infrastructure" for District Technology
- Ability to hire, supervise, and evaluate all employees
- Additional secretarial support at elementary schools
- Central Office Building Receptionist to greet visitors and answer all phones and direct calls
- Bus monitors for all schools
- Daily late buses at all levels

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