



March 5, 2021

Dear SBCSC families,

I wish all of our students the best of luck as they begin their IRead exams next week. I am proud of the direction our students and teachers continue to take to make our district a literary community of young leaders and scholars. To our teachers, thank you for all you do to support our students and administer these exams.

Congratulations to Adams High School choir members for bringing home 12 gold medals and five silver medals during the virtual ISSMA Solo and Ensemble Contest last weekend; and Riley High School welcomed 30 inductees into the National Honors Society in a virtual candle lighting ceremony on Wednesday.

It bears repeating that the Washington High School Lady Panthers closed out a fantastic season last weekend. I found it appropriate to hear—during Womens' History Month—that they intend to continue working together to inspire our young learners in their "I Dream Tour," visiting elementary students throughout the district. Congratulations also to Adams High School hockey and Riley High School swimmer Michael Burns who competed in state finals last weekend.

Next Tuesday, March 9, or Wednesday, March 10, please join us at Brown Community Learning Center. Student Services will offer a free hot breakfast at 10 a.m. and pizza at 6 p.m. as they seek your input about our Student Code of Conduct. The Code of Conduct is a comprehensive set of expectations for students' behaviors in and out of school and outlines the role of appropriate discipline. We hope to hear from all of our parents and students. Remember to email Sierra Savannah at ssavannah@sb.school to let us know you'll be there.

Thank you to Meijer for helping our staff to receive COVID-19 vaccinations this week. I am pleased we were able to vaccinate so many of our teachers in such a short period of time. I also want to thank everyone at Brown Community Learning Center who stepped up to accommodate our educators and staff. To each of the Meijer pharmacists from across the state who provided these doses for our community, thank you.

We look forward to slowly returning students to classrooms four days a week. Thanks to Edison principal Mr. Budzinski, Jefferson Middle School principal Ms. Richardson, Riley High School principal Shawn Henderson and Adams High School principal Jim Seitz for their work in piloting the return with our 8th and 12th graders on March 15. Without the hard work of these and other educators, this couldn't have been possible. Keep wearing your masks, handwashing, and stay socially distanced. Spring is just around the corner.

Remember to read a book this weekend, watch a classic film, and listen to an album. Thanks for a great week, everyone.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Todd Cummings".

C. Todd Cummings, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools