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Board Backup

The Facilities Department had a busy summer completing both in house projects as well as projects contracted out from the capital improvements plan. The following projects were completed from the capital improvement plan:

Replace water controls at Raymond High School – We successfully replaced the original booster pump controls with variable frequency drives to drive the pumps. The new drives are working out very well and are much better suited to control the pumps as compared to the original controls.

Construct safety wall at RHS – The safety wall at RHS was completed and is starting to fit in at the school. The addition of the wall was a big physical change for the building and was met with some resistance at first. The staff and students are getting used to the new look and the wall serves its purpose perfectly.

Upgrade to two sets of LRES student restrooms – The last two sets of student restrooms were upgraded at LRES to be ADA compliant. The restroom layout was modeled after the previous restrooms we completed. The restrooms are working out well and it is great to have this bathroom upgrade project completed for the LRES.

Replacement of 5 Energy Recovery Units at LRES - The ERV project was delayed due to supply chain issues in getting the units to us but we were able to complete the project before the weather got to cold. Five older units were removed and five new units were installed to include some new controls. These units provide fresh air to the building and have been working great.

The maintenance and custodial staff continue to work on the day to day projects and upkeep of the buildings. Like the rest of the district we are still struggling to hire staff. We are currently short staffed in the custodial area. The remaining custodial staff have stepped up to fill gaps and ensure buildings are clean for building users.

We are not experiencing any issues with PPE or cleaning chemicals for the buildings. We have experienced supply chain issues with some paper products and trash bags. These issues have not effected building users.

Alice training has continued this year for both staff and students. We have completed the required drills thus far this year and have also completed additional drills to increase awareness. We successfully visited our new rally point for the Middle School as well as the Elementary School. We still feel these new locations are much better suited for our needs as compared to the old locations.

The LRES and RHS were both on this year's state school review cycle. This includes a complete in person inspection of the school as well as all the required documents for anything and everything to do with safety or facilities. These inspections were scheduled for early December but were postponed due to the inspector not being available. I will keep the board posted as to the new date and the results.

Overall the facilities department continues to operate and look for new ways to become more efficient.