

Principal's Report

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Students:

480 Students

We are approaching the middle of the year testing and progress monitoring which will happen between Thanksgiving and Winter Breaks.

We will be piloting a new personal device policy in 7/8th grade with the use of Yondr pouches. The document outlining the policy and the use of Yondr pouches has been reviewed by the APC and 7/8th grade staff for feedback. We plan to communicate this updated policy with families in December and begin using the Yondr pouches in January.

Staff:

42 Staff Members.

The school counselor position remains open with one applicant.

Curriculum and Instruction:

Nothing to report.

Facility:

Rilke Schule is continuing to track the ASD Rightsizing initiative in case an opportunity arises to secure an ASD facility.

Budget:

Rilke Schule has collected \$79,000 in activity and supply fees and has spent \$36,000 from this fund this school year. This represents about 73% of possible collected funds. Reminders were sent out this week to families who have not yet paid the supply and activity fee.

We are currently working on the FY26 Rilke Schule budget. Unless something changes in the next couple of weeks, we will put forth a budget that will include our current facility rent.

Community:

The Skt. Martinstag celebration was well attended by 300-400 people.

A couple of parents have spoken with me to offer more middle school athletics such as track and field, volleyball, and basketball. Each sport would cost between \$3,000-\$5,000 depending if we used buses to transport students to games or meets.

I recently sent out a survey about parent-teacher conferences and extending conferences to a full day. I will discuss these results with staff before coming to the APC with any feedback.