

September 19, 2022 Board of Education Director's Report

Please share my regrets for not being at the Board Meeting.

1. Pioneer staff and students kicked off the 2022-2023 school year with a tremendous first day for new students. Students followed a modified schedule of their 8 period school day, had a cookout lunch served by Pioneer Administrators and then all staff and student labs participated in Field Events in the afternoon. At the end of the day many students commented that their first day at Pioneer was the best first day of school they have ever had.
2. Pioneer will host our first Associate School Counselor's meeting tomorrow. A welcome and orientation with many updates will be on the agenda. Updates with the current graduation requirements and how that impacts Pioneer students, local graduation seals and our Sophomore Recruitment Timeline will be covered as well.
3. Pioneer's newly hired academic staff had the opportunity to spend a day visiting a few of our career tech labs so they can gain a better understanding of what students do in the lab. Academic staff shared that this was a great experience and helped them see what students do in the lab which will allow them to build better relationships with students in their academic classes. We plan to have our new academic staff visit labs again during the 2nd semester.
4. Over 60 businesses attended our Fall Job Fair for senior students. Numerous companies commented that they plan to offer jobs to Pioneer students as a result of their attendance at the job fair. 15 businesses have expressed interest in joining our Career Tech Advisory Committees as a result of the job fair.
5. Pioneer's Culinary Arts program, along with Chef Weibel, have been recognized as a Prostart School of Distinction. Our program is one of 2 schools that will be awarded a grant to cover the cost of 50-60 new chef coats for Pioneer students- approximately \$1800.