

Collins-Maxwell School Board

October Meeting Highlights

Facilities Projects Update

Ottie walked the board through the list of facility projects that we kicked off late last Spring. The list was impressive consisting of more than a dozen major projects across both the Collins and Maxwell facilities. The board budgeted almost **\$1,000,000** and was pleased to hear that with the conclusion of the Science room this Fall, **we will come in under budget**. The Board thanked Ottie for his leadership along with the rest of the Administrative team for all their work on these key projects.

Activity Bus - WIFI

The board approved a proposal by Mr. Nelson to **equip two of our activity buses with WIFI**. The service allows students traveling to away contests the opportunity to use the travel time to finish homework, study for upcoming tests, etc. With the long distances we will be traveling now as part of the Iowa Star Conference, we felt it was critical that we not let those long road trips interfere with our continued focus on academic success.

ACT for all Juniors & Seniors

Keeping with our theme of focusing on academic success, the board also approved a proposal by Mr. Nelson to **provide the ACT exam for all Juniors and any Senior** that wishes to take the exam. The exam will only be available to Collins-Maxwell students, thus reducing some of the stress and anxiety that comes with taking the exam outside the district alongside students from all across Iowa. The district will be also be covering for the exam fee, so it can be **offered at NO COST** for our students.

Thanks for allowing us to serve our communities and children!

Ottie

Superintendent

Marcus

School Board President