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Dear Panther Families,

While we prepare to welcome spring, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the success of our Black History Month celebrations throughout our District throughout the month of February. It was truly inspiring to witness the diverse array of activities and events that took place across our schools, celebrating the rich contributions and achievements of African Americans throughout history and today.

I am incredibly proud to be part of a community that values and embraces diversity in all its forms. Our commitment to fostering an environment where we follow the "Golden Rule", embrace the unique qualities of each person, and strive to ensure every individual feels respected and valued is a testament to the strength of our community. As we continue to celebrate diversity, I encourage each of you to join us in recognizing Women's History Month. Throughout March, our schools have already engaged in various activities to honor the accomplishments of women throughout history, including Keeler School's timeline project highlighting historical Black women in science. It is through these initiatives that we strive to inspire and empower all students to reach their full potential.

I would also like to take a moment to express my gratitude to our dedicated team of social workers as we recently celebrated School Social Work Week at the start of this month. The invaluable support and care they provide to our students are truly commendable. We are fortunate to have such compassionate professionals in our District.

March also marks National Reading Month, which highlights the importance of fostering a love for reading in our children. Encouraging healthy reading habits from a young age not only enhances academic success but also opens doors to imagination and creativity. I encourage you to instill a love for reading in your children by building regular reading time into your and/or their daily routine(s). Perhaps even share a favorite book together, creating cherished memories that will last a lifetime.

Looking forward to the warmer months ahead and the completion of another school year, I am eager to see what the spring sports season holds for our student-athletes. I want to extend my best wishes to all our teams as they embark on new seasons. May your dedication and teamwork lead to success both on and off the field or running track.

Additionally, earlier today, our District had the opportunity to welcome key stakeholders from within Redford Township and elsewhere within Wayne County to our Secondary Campus as we hosted the State of the Township Address. By working together with community partners such as the Township, we are able to create a stronger District for our students and families.

Lastly, a brief reminder that Spring Break is scheduled for March 25 through April 1. It's a great time for families to get out and enjoy the nicer weather and for students to recharge their batteries before the final sprint to the end of the school year.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in providing the best possible educational experience for your children - our students. As always, remember it's a great day to be a Panther!

Stay Panther Strong

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