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FROM THE HELM

September 2018

Wilson Central School District
Timothy P. Carter – Superintendent



From the Desk of Tim Carter:

BE MINDFUL OF YOUR ATTITUDE AND BE 10% BETTER

At the age of 26 a man named Milton was penniless and had two failed businesses to his name. He was an unlikely candidate for success. However, instead of giving up he focused on the positive and what he did well. He watched others around him and tried to do what they did, just a little better. Milton then opened his third company, which enjoyed moderate success. Then 6 years later, he sold the company to take a chance. Don't worry, his chance paid off. With the proceeds of the sale from his third company, Milton opened his fourth company called Hershey Chocolate Company. Yes, I am talking about Milton Hershey.

Milton Hershey knew that his success or failure in life was not going to be decided by the number of setbacks he encountered, but rather how he reacted to them. He knew that in life, to be successful you have to think positive and be focused. Milton knew that to be successful he had to do things 10% better than anyone else.

On the opening day of the 2018-2019 school year, I stood before all of us in the auditorium of the High School and made the challenge to be mindful of your attitude. Not because I think we have bad attitudes, but rather to be mindful of our reaction to others. As this school year goes on, we all know there will be challenges and difficult times, but if we stay positive and mindful of our attitude and try to do things 10 % better than anyone else around it will be a successful year for you and our students.

Have a great weekend enjoy the time with your family!!!

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"Thoughts of the Week!"

Board Goal Session-On Tuesday, August 28, 2018 we had our Board Goal Setting Workshop. I want to thank the members of the Board and the administrators for their energy level, enthusiasm and willingness to put time in to continually focus our awesome District on making small improvements for our children. It was great working that evening with such wonderful professionals. We spent the evening looking at and making decisions based upon the input of the staff and administrators about the direction of the District. I truly feel it was a meaningful evening.



First Day of School 9/5/18- Students returned on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 and everything went relatively smooth. I was able to greet the High School and Middle School students and then went over to the Elementary building to greet them as they got off the buses.



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Elementary Playground Ribbon Cutting- On Friday, September 7, 2018 we had the ribbon cutting for the new playground. It was an awesome event. I want to thank the playground committee, teachers, Mr. Diodate and the Elementary PTA for all of the work on the celebration. Also in the pictures is the bench donated by the PTA in memory of Cheryl Shaw.





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Golf Team Community Service- Our very own Wilson Golf Team participated in an awesome community service project on Thursday, September 27, 2018. Our golf teams played a round of golf teaching the students from Mark Kurtz's North Tonawanda High School O/N BOCES program how to play golf. It was a great experience for the students learning to play golf and an awesome service project for the students teaching golf.



Updates

Capital Outlay Project 2018-2019- This year as part of our budget, we have a small outlay project scheduled. The work will be in the HS/MS server room and Technology office. The scope of the project is the air handling and air conditioning unit in the server room and the replacement of the rugs in the technology office. The project has been approved by State Ed and it went out to bid. The work should begin prior to January.

Capital Project 2017-2020- Now that the playground pull-out project is completed, we can turn our eyes to the rest of the capital project. The rest of the project has been in review by State Ed for about 3 weeks. We expect to have final clearance to go ahead in the next 4 weeks. We are hoping to begin the bidding process by October. If everything goes through as expected, we would break ground in the Spring of 2019.



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District Goals- We have a draft of our District goals that were reviewed at the September 25 Board workshop. They will go to Board vote in October.

Educational Study Council- Part of the responsibility of the Educational Study Council is the creation and monitoring of the mentoring program and professional development opportunities. I met with the Educational Student Council recently and we discussed the creation of two subcommittees. The first subcommittee was created to review and update our District Mentoring Program. That committee met one time so far and began that work. The second committee will be the District Shared Decision Making team. That team will be charged with looking at the District goals and implementing an overall District plan for professional development.

*The object of education is to prepare the young
to educate themselves throughout their lives.
-Robert Maynard Hutchins*