



March 12, 2021

Dear SBCSC families,

This week's weather was perfect for the "Tap into Learning" festivities at Darden Elementary, where students sampled their own maple syrup made from the sap they gathered from maple trees behind the school. I had the pleasure of learning from them about their work and what they've learned and was given my own half-pints of Darden maple syrup, complete with a student-designed label.

It's National School Social Worker Week. Our social workers are amazing supporters to our students and families, and I hope you'll join me in recognizing the crucial work these members of our community provide. To all of our social workers: Thank you for your care and dedication to our scholars, teachers, and families. You truly make a difference in the lives of our learners.

Our Riley Wildcats boys basketball team won the IHSAA sectional championship! I'm looking forward to cheering them on during this weekend's regional competitions.

Congratulations to Adams High School Mock Trial team for a great weekend at state competition. Junior team "The Frends" (misspelling intentional) finished in the top four in the state. Also, the Adams High School Business Professionals of America team did an outstanding job at state competition last weekend. Six of these students will now go on to compete at BPA National Competition later this spring. Congratulations also to junior Nah'Shon Williams who earned a \$4,000 scholarship to Sullivan University in Lexington, Kentucky. Great work, Eagles!

Don't forget to join our virtual Code of Conduct input meetings next week, on Tuesday, March 16 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. We want to learn from you about your experiences and work with our community to improve together. To register and get the link, contact Sierra Savannah at ssavannah@sb.school. We want your input and are grateful for your feedback.

Monday evening, we'll hold a virtual Board of School Trustees work session live on our district YouTube page at 5:30 p.m. I hope you can join us.

Enjoy the warmer weather this weekend, and keep up the good work with helping us keep our COVID numbers down. Don't forget to read a book—I'm reading *The Silence Between Us* by Alison Gervais—listen to a new album, and catch a classic film. Make sure you say hello tomorrow; I'll be at the regional competition in Michigan City cheering on our Riley boys basketball team and cheerleaders.

Thanks for a great week, everyone.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Todd Cummings".

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