## May 11, 2023

Tonight I will be covering two strategic initiatives from our existing strategic plan: Student Achievement and Community Engagement.

## **Student Achievement:**

- I met with Dr. Okino, Ed.D.- LACOE Coordinator serving as LACOE's liaison for AADUSD's differentiated assistance. The overarching goal of California's System of Support is to help school districts and their schools meet the needs of each student they serve, with a focus on building local capacity to sustain improvement and to effectively address disparities in opportunities and outcomes.

Primary focus is provided to vulnerable populations such as homeless youth, English learners, and students with disabilities. One area to be targeted-chronic absenteeism.

Chronic absence is defined as missing 10 percent or greater of the total number of days enrolled during the school year for any reason.

With the week of May 8<sup>th</sup> recognized as Teacher Appreciation Week, we want to take this time to express our sincere appreciation not only for this week but throughout the year to our extraordinary teachers who have worked tirelessly with students and families.

Join us as we honor our amazing Teachers.

In addition, each May, California salutes the important contributions of classified school employees during Classified School Employee Week, the week of May 21<sup>st</sup>.

Our classified employees keep AADUSD running every single day and are critical in moving us forward toward our vision.

## **Community Engagement:**

- A quick update to our Strategic Planning process. The Writing Team is now tasked with taking the main themes from our development team sessions and updating the existing strategic goals and how we define the goals, this will include actionable items in order to achieve the goals along with measurable outcomes. The Writing team has been working diligently these past few weeks in developing an update to include a graduate profile.

  We are looking to bring back our Development Team at the end of this month to share the final draft for their review. At our June 8th board meeting, we will formally present the updated Strategic Plan for your consideration.
- (**Video**) Yesterday at Meadowlark, Kevin Vensko and I had the pleasure of attending the 2<sup>nd</sup> assembly of the WizFit challenge. Great work by the ML staff and PTO for bringing back the incredible Harlem Wizards for an invigorating assembly, getting our students moving and our students have plenty of talent, to say the least...video).

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## **COVID Report:**

I am respectfully requesting that we remove COVID report from our board meeting agenda moving forward since the World Health Organization declared on May 5<sup>th</sup> an end to the COVID global health emergency.