

Superintendent's Report for March 2021



FSD3- A Premier District of Choice



Ensuring Our Students Are College or Career Ready



FSD3 Vaccines

- Week of March 1, 2021 --- A local physician provided vaccines for staff at four schools:
JPT Magnet, MSE School of the Arts, REM School of Digital Technology, and Scranton Steam Academy
- On Monday, March 8, 2021 9 (2 PM -7 PM) ----- McLeod provided vaccines for staff at Pamplico Middle School.
- FSD3 currently have 225 employees out of 537 vaccinated. (Some have had one dose and some have had both doses.

~42%

Legislative Updates

Teacher Step for 2020-2021 SY Crossed the Finish Line

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to H. 3609, Teacher Step Increase, on Wednesday. The bill now moves on to be ratified and then signed by the Governor.

Legislative Updates

Details of the Bill:

- Funding up to \$50,000,000 to the Executive Budget Office to provide teacher step increases.
- Fringe benefits are to be included in the allocations.
- The Department of Education must distribute the funds to each school district based on set guidelines.
- Each school district must provide a one-time lump sum payment of the entire step increase due to the employee, including any amounts in arrears, by June 15, 2021.
- A position is eligible for the step increase if that position was serviced under contract as of March 1, 2021.

Legislative Updates

- **H.3941 (COVID-19 Sick Leave)** There's a joint resolution that encourages school districts to develop and implement emergency COVID-19 sick leave plans that use the federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds.
- Plans should indicate how the district would provide paid sick leave or expanded family and medical leave to eligible employees for specific qualifying reasons related to COVID-19 and mirror leave previously mandated by the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA).

ESSER II Update

FSD3 expenditure Plan Submitted

- 1. Total- Safety - \$1,000,600.00**
- 2. Total- Academic Recovery -\$4,196,905.53**
- 3. Total- Student Support -\$327,673.41**

Plan to Return to 5 Days F2F Learning

- The S.C. Department of Education and policy makers have asked all school district to offer 5 days a week F2F Learning.
- Currently, our elementary Schools are five days F2F or virtual.
- Our Middle and high schools are currently four days a week. We are now required to move from four days to five.
- Beginning the week of April 19th, middle and high school students will attend five days instead of four.

We value our students, staff, parents, stakeholders,
community, and businesses!!

Our Mission is to Ensure Our Students are College or Career Ready
and Productive and Responsible Members of Society



Together We Will Rise

- *Elevate our Relationships*
- *Elevate our Innovative opportunities*
- *Elevate our Service to others*
- *Elevate our Efforts*