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I hope that everyone is having a wonderful holiday season and I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas at this point. Please take time to enjoy friends and family during these holidays. We all have difficulties and celebrations in our life, but this time of the year is no different than any other time of the year. It will be what we choose to make it. We are quickly approaching the end of our fall semester. Remember that for all students, credit is earned through performance on assignments and attendance requirements that are in state law. I am confident that all of our students are taking care of academic and attendance business but I like to take this opportunity around this time of the year to remind everyone of those important requirements.

We have taken ownership of our new Agricultural Science facility, new bus and maintenance facility, and the field and track construction and renovations recently were completed at our football and track facility. Mr. Edwards and his classes are in the process of moving in and setting up the new AG building and it will be a facility that will serve our AG science program very well for years to come. Feel free to contact Pam Sanders in my office and schedule a time for us to give you a tour the new Ag and maintenance facility if you desire. The PK-12 building is rising before our very eyes and the slab is complete for the new practice gym. The steel frame for the PK-12 building should be completed soon and the steel frame for the practice gym is already on site and will be constructed directly after completion of the frame for the PK-12 building is completed.

Academically, we are continuing to move forward in a variety of areas to ensure our students receive the instruction they require to be college or career ready when they graduate. As we continue to work on our regular classroom and traditional educational programs, we are also implementing a math support program for our math students in grades 6-12. In January 2012, we are scheduled to begin Success Center as a supplemental math instruction program. This program will identify specific needs in our math students, prescribe a specific plan to meet those needs, and provide daily instruction and progress monitoring to bring about the desired results for the kids that demonstrate a requirement to be in Success Center. Preliminary plans are for us to implement this program in reading and math for grades K-5 in August of 2012.

Thank you for the opportunity to partner with you and your child to work together to educate your child in a variety of subjects and areas. I take that responsibility seriously and take pride in knowing that by working together we have an opportunity to produce a better tomorrow and bright future for our students.

Go Cowboys and Cowgirls!