

REPORT OF THE BOARD'S DELEGATE TO COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY (CESA) #1

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For a second year in a row, CESA #1 was a winner of the Southeast Wisconsin 2019 Top Workplaces award from the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*. A survey measured several aspects of workplace culture, including alignment, execution, and connection. Doug Claffey, CEO of Energage, states, "Our research shows organizations that earn the award attract better talent, experience lower turnover, and are better equipped to deliver bottom-line results."

An alternative high school, Learning Center West, will be moving into the same building as is CESA #1, in the wing to the east. This high school is under the control of our CESA, and a change of location will help coordinate the support offered by the CESA. The space should be ready by May 2.

The Teacher Recruitment Fair is on track for April 27. It appears that more prospective teachers are interested in attending this year's fair.

A special education workshop is being set up in coordination with a total of six CESAs.

A workshop for middle-school girls is being set up to help girls who are the first generation in their families to consider going to college. Right now, this four-day workshop has 30-40 girls showing interest.

Planning on the 10th Annual National Convening of Personalized Learning for October 7-8 continues. Brenda Vogds of the staff stated that they are continually fighting the perception that personalized learning means just sitting a kid down in front of a computer, which is not what Personalized Learning is, if done correctly.

This was my last meeting as the Milwaukee Board of School Directors' representative to this CESA. The Board, at its organizational meeting in May, will have to select a new representative to attend the May meetings of CESA #1. All meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month.

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