



Scoop from the Supt

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Students

- Theater
 - Milan High School Production
 - Alice in Wonderland
 - Nov 16 @ 7:00 PM
 - Nov 17 @ 7:00 PM
 - Nov 18 @ 1:00 PM and 7:00 PM
- Our volleyball team is the Division 2 Region 13 Champ! On Tuesday, they won the state Quarterfinals against Dearborn Divine Child. The team played well and accomplished the win in 3 straight sets. Milan plays Grand Rapids West Catholic in the State Semifinal at The Kellogg Arena in Battle Creek at 4:30 PM tomorrow (11-16-23).
- The FCI Graduation Ceremony was wonderful. The speaker did a great job. In addition to the FCI MHS staff, there were more than 15 FCI Correctional staff members present (more than ever before). The new FCI Education Director supports our program and is encouraging the FCI staff to be involved! I also met the new Warden who has been thoroughly impressed by our MHS program since his arrival.
- The Girls Swimming and Diving meet is this weekend. We are excited for all of our swimmers who will be competing. Go BIG REDS!

Staff

- Holli Connin (MMS Paraprofessional) lost her father in late October
- Kim Jasper, Milan Middle School Principal, accepted a position in another district. Mrs. Jasper will remain the MMS Principal through the end of 2023, as her new employment starts on January 1, 2024. I want to thank Mrs. Jasper for her years of service and dedication to the students of Milan Area Schools.

General

- The district's Professional Development on Wednesday (11-1-23) was amazing. The teachers met in each building and the paraprofessionals had a full day of PD as well. I visited each building and provided an update on *Reimagining Milan Area Schools 2024-2025 and Beyond*. I discussed the timeline, projected staffing changes, anticipated facility needs, and several other details. I then answered questions about the process and the transitions. Overall, the sessions were positive, and the staff asked a lot of great questions.