



OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

December 20, 2016

As you start a much-deserved Christmas Break, I wanted to write a note expressing my gratitude for the many wonderful things that each of you do on a daily basis to make our students safe and successful. It really is overwhelming to take in.

The **Transportation Department** really pulled together over the last three weeks while the search for a new leader for the department ensued. Such care for maintaining a smooth program for the students was exhibited. Many helped in ways that will never be known, but was seen and felt by so many in how seamlessly the month unfolded.

Teacher and support staff donned crazy Christmas gear, decorated doors, and hosted parties. These seemingly insignificant tasks create an environment of positive energy, good cheer, and just plain fun. Most enjoy this and feel energized by it.

Lastly, **thank you for caring.** Over 130 families were impacted this year by the combined efforts of parents, teachers, students and community members. This kind of gift-giving generosity and compassion for our own local families is what taking care of each other is all about. What a great lesson to teach our young people (and each other)!

I hope each of you find the time to unplug, relax, and enjoy spending time with family.

See you next year!

Merry Christmas,

Randy