

# D41

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**Superintendent Update**  
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# Topics

- **AASA-Presentation by Dr. M. and Dr. K.**
  - **Emergency Preparedness in D41**
    - **Live Performances**
    - **Strategic Plan Update**

# Ignite

- ❑ An ignite presentation is a compressed presentation where you summarize your topic in 5 slides/5 minutes
- ❑ Dr. McCluskey and I presented an ignite to the national group from AASA Learning 2025 on our language programs
- ❑ Link to [Ignite](#)

# Crisis Preparedness in D41

Emergency Operations Plan	Threat Assessment Plan	Crisis Plan
<p>This is the plan that defines how we will respond to a variety of safety-related emergencies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ District Team</li> <li>❑ Building Teams</li> <li>❑ Work with the ROE Consultant, John Heiderscheid (former police officer and U-46 Emergency Specialist)</li> </ul>	<p>This is the plan that defines how we respond to potential internal and external threats from people</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ District Team</li> <li>❑ Building Teams</li> <li>❑ Work with Forensic Psychologist, Dr. Nancy Zarse along with John Heiderscheid from the ROE</li> </ul>	<p>This is the response plan that kicks in once the immediate threat/safety crisis has been addressed so that after care and support can be provided by our Social Workers, Counselors, Psychologists &amp; Behavior Specialists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Laurel O'Brien oversees this implementation on an "as needed" basis.</li> </ul>

# Live Performances

Last week and this week have been filled with numerous live performances by band, orchestra and chorus. In addition to offering the live performance opportunities, many of our events have also been live streamed, as is the case with tonight's performance at Hadley. A huge thank you to everyone who plays a role in putting on these performances. Thank you to our Technology Department for brainstorming ways to host two live stream events simultaneously. All of this work goes on behind the scenes. It is a great feeling to have these events happening live again and we look forward to continued steps towards pre-pandemic routines and practices.

# Strategic Plan Update

At this point in the process, we have completed our surveys and focus groups. We will shortly be moving into the phase of the process where we start to form and work in goal teams.

Dr. Webb will be joining the Board on January 18 for another update.



# IDPH Webinar on 12/12/21

On Friday, I participated in a webinar with Dr. Carmen Ayala from ISBE and Dr. Ezike from the Illinois Department of Public Health. Here I what was shared during the webinar:

- ❑ IDPH has made a recommendation to the Governor regarding discontinuing testing of students and quarantine. It was stated that they are awaiting a response from the Governor along with a determination of next steps
- ❑ When asked about the mask mandate, they shared that their recommendation to the Governor would be that the mask mandate is connected to the availability of ICU beds (target of at least 20% availability) but this will also be in the hands of the Governor.

\*For this reason, I am recommending that we hold off on approving the contract to continue Shield testing until the January 3rd Committee of the Whole meeting.