

Our Path to First Choice No.23
2018/19

Everyone,

The winter has given us a little reprieve this week. Enjoy it! I apologize for the late Path Note.

Our Path Topic

Considering it is wintertime, let's talk about heat. Sam Parker, the author of a book that focuses on the extra degree, points out that at 211 degrees water is hot. However, water at 212 degrees is boiling. So, what is his point?

Parker uses this example as a metaphor for putting in the extra effort, going the extra mile, or going above, and beyond the expectations. He says that giving things that extra push, or effort, will yield ten times the results you were originally trying to accomplish. Parker provides some examples.

There is a 2.28 average margin of victory in strokes at the Masters (1986-2010). There is a 76% additional prize dollars on average for winning first place at the Masters (2001-2010)—First Place=\$1,214,100. Second Place=\$689,293.

The average margin of victory in seconds at the Daytona 500 is 0.082. There is a 53% additional prize dollar amount for winning First Place. \$1,330,654 for 1st Place and \$871,209 for 2nd Place.

Going the extra mile can pay big dividends. As we work with and for students, it seems like the benefits are even greater.

Board Information and Policy Updates

- Next School Board Meeting—February 12, 2019 at 7PM in the Clayton Avenue Board Room
- A Policy Committee Meeting was held on February 4, 2019 at 1PM in the Clayton Avenue Board Room. Policies 103, 103.1, 104, 222, 247, 249, 323, 707, and 904 were reviewed and forwarded to the full board for a First Reading. If the policies are approved after a second reading, we will attach an overview of each policy for your understanding.

You may check out District policies by going to this site: <https://www.boarddocs.com/pa/wayn/Board.nsf/Public>

Piece of the Puzzle

The WASD Team responsible for hosting our first ever Kindergarten Celebration includes Danielle McFerren, our district kindergarten teachers, elementary secretaries, and high school student volunteers. The evening was designed to celebrate our Waynesboro children turning 5 years old and their enrollment for the 2019-20 school year. Activities included an overview of the enrollment process, crafts, birthday celebration, and a mascot meet and greet. The turnout was incredible, filling the WASHS cafeteria welcoming 115 new WASD students and their families. 'Way to go, team! This week's Pieces of the Puzzle are Danielle McFerren, our kindergarten teachers, our elementary secretaries, and our student volunteers. When you see them, give them a kudos and congratulate them for being a Piece of the Puzzle.

*Review for You

What are the ways we can go from goals to growth as an individual for an organization?

Events

- February 12th—Early Dismissal
- February 18th—Presidents Day—No school students and teachers
- March Musical

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*Review Answer (Important to Know)

In order to focus on growth and less on goals we must do the following according John C. Maxwell.

- Embrace change.
- Make the love of learning greater than the fear of learning.
- Develop relationships with growing people that have a growth attitude.
- Believe in yourself, people and time.
- Embrace layered learning (life lesson on top of another life lesson).
- Have an abundance mindset (There's more out there to accomplish, to do, to have, to be, etc.).

Final Thoughts

- *Many of life's failures are men who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up.*—Thomas Edison
- *Courage is fear of holding on a minute longer.*—George S. Patton
- *Triumph often is nearest when defeat seems inescapable.*—B.C. Forbes
- *The drops of rain make a hole in the stone not by violence, but by oft falling.*—Lucretius
- *Never stop. One always stops as soon as something is about to happen.*—Peter Brook, British Theatre and film director.
- *You give 100 percent in the first half of the game, and if that isn't enough, in the second half you give what's left.*—Yogi Berra

Enjoy the rest of your week!

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