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The school year wound to a close for students with final exams on May 21-23. Teachers finished up on that Friday with one more contract day to work over the course of the summer. Since that time, we have gone into “summer mode” which includes updating handbook policies, preparing and supervising summer school, fine tuning student schedules, administrative meetings, and generally planning for the 2025/26 school year. I have also spent some time reflecting on the previous school year, noting areas for improvement, and setting professional goals for next school year.

Our summer school session at the high school began on Monday, June 2 and will run through Friday, June 20. The program includes 15 sessions from 8-11 in the morning. Students who need credit recovery are invited and must attend a minimum of 12 sessions. Katie Richards, Heather Cox, and Trey Baker are coordinating and teaching this year’s summer school. Our program is available only to DC West students and the cost is \$100. We have seven high school students attending. High School Counselor Katie Richards stated, “Summer school is a great opportunity for students to get back on-track if they stumbled for a semester in one of their core classes. So far, the students have been doing a great job of getting here on time, ready to work.”

As I reflect back on the past school year and prepare to take some time off in June and July, I think we made some great progress and look forward to even more next year. I am thankful for the great team of teachers, administrators, and support staff I have the privilege to work with on a daily basis at the high school and am proud to be part of the Falcon Family.