



Dear **Cardinal** Staff and Families,

Thank you for a great start to the year. We have so much to be grateful for this year, and everyone's support has been inspiring.

This week, there is a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to celebrate the move of the **CEDC and City Hall**. The students in Jeff McCall's Construction Trades course engaged in cabinetry and trim work for this repurpose, and their work is stunning! We will be posting pictures; however, you are welcome to head over to celebrate the **collaboration** between the CEDC, the City of Clarinda and the school district.

If your small or large business, nonprofit or startup is interested in collaborating with the school in any way, please let me know. We have opportunities through iJAG, our CTE courses, and any other course. Your partnership and support for enhanced learning opportunities prepares our students for their next steps in life. We have a student intern in our maintenance department this year, and it has benefited the student and the school district.

In order to prepare our students for a strong background in **financial literacy**, we are calling for related businesses to consider collaborating with us to build an innovative, strong experience. There is a state-wide webinar for those interested in learning more about how other **school districts across the state** are creating courses. If you are interested in viewing it, navigate here: [Event Registration](#) - September 8th from 3:00-5:00. If you are interested in collaborating around **curriculum co-creation**, please let me know.

We have added a position to support our younger learners' interest in **musical theater and the performing arts**. If you are interested in leading our students in this way, please visit: <https://iowa.schoolspring.com/Home/JobDetail/3659044>. Clarinda has a history of pride in this area, and we want to support it.

Respectfully,

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