

Superintendent's Report

To: Board Members

From: Leah M. Christman

Date: October 28, 2013

- On Monday, October 21, Salisbury Township SD hosted a joint professional
 development session with our educational administrators presented by Discovery
 Education on the PA Core Standards. The day was well received with administrators in
 both school collaborating on best practices in understanding and implementing the
 standards. Southern Lehigh will host the next session in November as a continuation of
 the training.
- Superintendents from IU #20 and #21 met with legislators from the region last Friday to discuss educational issues and challenges. Superintendents share a lot of details concerning challenges with special education regulations, escalating costs to provide services and transportation and diminished state and federal funds. Charter school accountability and funding was also discussed. The meeting was positive and legislators attending expressed a desire to meet with superintendents for often to enhance their understanding of challenges facing school districts.
- Our fall sports teams advanced to District XI Playoffs. We have 3 teams continuing in playoffs this week: Congratulations to all coaches and teams and good luck for continued success:

Tuesday 10/29

- Girls Volleyball AAA @ Whitehall 5:00 start departing at 3:15 Southern Lehigh #2 versus Pleasant Valley #3
- Girls soccer AA @ Northern Lehigh 5:30 start departing at 3:45 Northwestern #1 versus Southern Lehigh #4

Thursday 10/31

• District Championship Games Field Hockey AA @ Emmaus 6:00 start departing at 4:40 Northern Lehigh #1 versus Southern Lehigh #2