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STUDENT SUPPORTS

INCREASED COMMUNITY SUPPORTS AND RESOURCES



150+ orientations provided to new students starting school at Erie High



33 community partners and 410 student attendees at Community Job and Career Fair



3 Activity Fair events held to showcase club and organization opportunities



WHAT BENEFITS HAVE YOU SEEN AT ERIE HIGH AS A RESULT OF BEING A COMMUNITY SCHOOL?



I see students more bright-eyed, dressed, clean, fed, and ready to learn.





HEALTH & WELLNESS

IMPROVED ACCESS TO PHYSICAL HEALTH SERVICES AND BASIC NEEDS



20 Erie High students received glasses through a school-based mobile vision clinic



1500+ student visits to Erie High's newly established Community Closet



Kids are more aware of their opportunities and have more chances to be prepared for post secondary life.



More community involvement in the school.





More supports for students whose basic needs aren't able to be met at home.









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SUCCESS STORY

WHEN STUDENTS CAN SEE, THEY CAN LEARN!

Through the Community School Model and in partnership with **Vision To Learn**, Erie High students were able to access critical vision care services on-site this spring. Community School Directors worked closely with school nurses to identify students who had failed vision screenings during the 2024-25 school year. Using a prioritized list, Directors reached out to students and families to coordinate appointments at the mobile clinic. As a result, **20 students received free eye exams and free prescription glasses** at no cost to them or their families. Several students shared that they had needed glasses for years, with one reporting daily headaches from squinting and others struggling to see the board in class. This intervention will have lasting impact on student learning and well-being at Erie High!







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COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

NEW PARTNERSHIPS PROVIDED ROBUST SUPPORTS FOR STUDENTS

Through a new career readiness initiative in partnership with **Erie Insurance** and other local community organizations, senior students gained valuable exposure to industry professionals and career readiness skills this year. During the school day, students participated in skill-building sessions focused on dressing for success, interview techniques, and resume writing. In addition, a select group had the opportunity to visit Erie Insurance's campus, where they explored local career pathways and apprenticeship opportunities. This partnership provided students with **meaningful**, **real-world experiences** to help prepare them for life after graduation.

This type of community partnership is a hallmark of the Community School Model – and many more are on the horizon for Erie High as we continue building stronger connections that support student success!



