

Superintendent's Views 10-26-17

By Mike Page

There is nothing better than the spectacle of a high school's homecoming week, and that was on display at Plateau Valley a few weeks ago. As schools celebrate homecoming across the state and nation, I am reminded of all the homecomings I have been a part of. The feelings I have are much different from when I was a player to when I was a coach. The stories get altered a bit through time, especially the final score and who won. It conjures up memories of my younger years. It was genius plan to have the 1st ever night game at PV. Many thanks are spread around this wonderful week. I first want to thank Jaime Hawkins and her STUCO students for all the work they did to make this a memorable week for students and staff members; the entire PV staff for all they did during the week. And also the students of the entire school, the pride that you showed was awesome! The elementary students getting to participate in the dress up days was amazing! Also, nothing better than seeing all of the older jerseys that were sold at the game being worn at school the next week. I want to personally tell the businesses of the valley how great it was to see the show of support for the school and the students during the week. They looked great and the pride of the community was very evident by the paintings that businesses had in their windows. Great Job!! It was also nice to catch up with old friends that came back for the Homecoming games. The excitement of that evening was very evident in the gym and out at the field. We hope this will be an annual pilgrimage of alumni that will come back to support the current Cowboys during Homecoming.

There is so much excitement to a homecoming week, then it is over for another year, nothing left but decorations in the halls, gym and the bleachers at the football field. As we all get to enjoy our own Homecoming weeks; then later our kids and grandkids, the stories always get a bit larger than life. And that's all part of it.

I would again like to thank the staff for all their dedication, patience and energy that homecoming week takes. I especially want to thank Chuck Nichols and anyone else that I am not aware of, that brought the lights, set them up and took them back. I also want to thank Mr. Gutierrez and Mr. Holmes for the great leadership they provided during this hectic week. A great big thanks to all the fans that came out to support these fine student/athletes who represented our town and school proudly. Wow! Did you see how full the gym and football stands were? Great job getting out to support these kids. I know the coaches and athletes all appreciated it. As we wind down both the volleyball and football season, get out and support the kids. I am proud of the way the Cowboy athletes have competed all season. Win or lose, you can never take away the pride of the Cowboys!!