

**School Board Report and Update**  
**Eagle Elementary School**  
**Michael Marincic**  
**January 12th, 2016/7:00pm/P-E Community Center**

**Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment**

- MAP Assessment (2-6) - January 11-15
- AIMSweb (4-6) - January 4-15
- PALS Mid-Year (4K-2) - January 11 - February 19
- I attended a *Path to Reading Excellence in School Sites* (PRESS) training to look into whole-class and whole-school proactive interventions. Justine Haima attended this training in the fall and met to debrief on the second day of training.

**Professional Development**

- January 22nd:
  - AM - Language Arts
  - PM - Sharon Webb from CESA 2 will provide training on Google Classroom, add-ons and extensions, and Drive organization. Thank you Kathy Retzke for setting this training up for both the elementary and secondary schools.
- We are offering teachers 4K-6 to attend a second round of training for Readers' and Writers' Workshop through Wisconsin Education Innovations.

**News and Noteworthy/Thanks and Appreciation - Acknowledgments**

- Over 150 pairs of pajamas were donated for our S.T.A.R.S. PJ Drive! Thank you to Sarah Czajkowski and Amy Harris for organizing this wonderful event.
- Staff donated money to Waukesha Christmas Clearing Council to wear jeans during the month of December.
- Students participated in *Hour of Code* during *Computer Science Education Week* (December 7-13). Thank you to Katie Severson (5th grade teacher) for bringing this event to EES!

**Upcoming Events and Activity**

- EES Staff Spelling Bee - Friday, January 15th @ 1:45pm
- No School for Students (Teacher Work Day) - Friday, January 22nd
- EES School-wide Spelling Bee - Tuesday, January 26th @ 1:45pm

**School Board Report and Update**  
**Palmyra Elementary School**  
**Steve Greenquist**  
**January 12, 2016 - 7:00pm/PEHS/PEMS**

**1. Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment**

- Teachers are being trained in Lucy Calkins Pre-assessment of On-Demand Writing Prompts as well as further review of how we administer Running Records.
- Teachers are administering and scoring their own class on the AIMSweb exam this month. This is the first time they are doing all of this on their own.
- MAP and AIMSweb – We are on our second round of testing using the two screeners to help us decide where students are academically. It takes us approximately a week to administer each screener for the entire school. This information is used to differentiate instruction for each student. Teachers then meet to collaborate and discuss this information along with information gathered from other progress monitoring tools. These collaboration opportunities are key to accurate differentiation.

**2. News and Noteworthy**

- Sledding Party – K-3 grade students will have an opportunity to attend a sledding party after school in our own backyard this month. Hopefully the weather will cooperate. Hot chocolate and cookies will be provided by Home & School.
- Building Community – We took the entire faculty, support staff and students to see the movie “Alvin and the Chipmunks - The Road Chip” on December 22nd. There are several reasons for taking the whole school to this movie. It builds community and it is part of our Positive Behaviors Interventions and Supports initiative. This movie was also the first movie several of our students have ever seen.

**3. Thanks and Appreciation – Acknowledgments**

- Thanks to our Home & School for giving \$1000 towards the cost taking the school to go see the Alvin and the Chipmunks movie.

**4. Upcoming Events and Activities**

- January 6 - Chess Club
- January 18 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

- January 20 - Chess Club
- January 22 - No School
- January 29 - Progress reports sent home with students

## **5. Miscellaneous**

I am in the process of updating the PEASD Safety Plan but rest assured, we are still under the guidance of the revised plan from 2008 until the completion of the new plan. We will start the new safety plan with deciding how to respond to an active shooter event, since this is first and foremost on everyone's mind. There is a training opportunity called ALICE, which stands for alert, lockdown, inform, counter, and evacuate, that I will be looking into that addresses this area of the safety plan. Several school districts in the state have received this training or are planning on getting it for their districts. A committee is being formed to address the entire safety plan and I would love to have a Board member on it, if anyone is interested.



**School Board Report and Update**  
**School/Building – Palmyra-Eagle High/Middle School**  
**Principal – Kari Timm**  
**January 7, 2015**

**1. Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment**

Renee Cookstrom and myself are in the process of finalizing the course catalog. We hope to have this done in the next week or so with the plan of having it ready to distribute to parents and students right after 1st semester final exams. We will be holding 2 high school scheduling information nights. The first one will be for incoming freshman only on Wednesday, January 27th and the second will be open to any 2016-17 high school student on Wednesday, February 3rd. These will give us an opportunity to go over the registration process and address questions and concerns with both parents and students.

1st semester final exams are the week of January 18th. We will again run a schedule that will allow shared staff to administer their high school finals. It also give the middle school teacher a chance to have their classes for a 90 minute block with allows them to do a different type of activity with their students.

On January 22nd Sharron Web from CESA 2 will be doing a morning training with the high/middle school staff on Google classroom. We think Google classroom will become a valuable tool for communication with students.

**2. News and Noteworthy**

The activities the last day of school before Christmas break were a big success. We raffled off over 85 prizes and gift cards that were donated by high and middle school student council, NHS and various staff members.

Both the band and choir had very successful winter concerts in December. They were well attending and the performances by both were wonderful. Thanks to Lindsay Jonas and Stephen Rodriques-Pavao for all their hard work with these groups.

**3. Thanks and Appreciation – Acknowledgments**

Mary Kutz, Barb Stachowski and Katy Engh who did the majority of the organization and planning for our activities on December 23rd.

Kathy Retzke for all her work this year with curriculum. We are moving in the right direction and I am hopeful we will see positive student impacts from the choices we are making.

**4. Upcoming Events and Activities**

January 13th - First AD/Principal meeting in the trailways

January 19th - 21st - PEHS Final Exams

**5. Miscellaneous**

**School Board Report and Update**  
**School/Building –District-Wide**  
**Director of Special Education, Pupil and Learning Services -**  
**Amanda Jones**  
**January 12, 2016**

**1. Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment**

- ACT-approved accommodations needed for students with disabilities have been submitted and approved for PEASD ACT assessment on March 1, 2016.
- Additional training of staff administering the alternative state assessment, Dynamic Learning Map (DLM) will take place this month. The DLM has added Science to its assessment this year, so additional training of that component is needed.
- ACCESS testing for students in the ELL program is complete at Eagle Elementary and will take place this month at Palmyra Elementary, as well as the Middle/High School.

**2. News and Noteworthy**

- Members of the TIP (Transition Improvement Plan) spent the day on December 11, 2015 analyzing Palmyra Eagle Area School District's Indicator 14 Post Outcomes data, assessing the district currently and creating a Transition Improvement Plan for the duration of the 2015-16 school year. This work is to improve post-school employment outcomes for students with disabilities within the district.
- I will be working with principals to try and nominate a parent of a student with disabilities within the PEASD to serve as a Family Engagement Liaison for the district. I am working directly with Carlene Chavez through the WSPEI Grant to see how we can utilize this opportunity in the future.

**3. Thanks and Appreciation – Acknowledgments**

- Thanks and appreciation to staff that participated and helped create the new Transition Improvement Plan for the PEASD through the Transition Improvement Grant on Dec. 11th with Brian Kenney. This includes Amy Richardson, Jenn Jamison, Nick Meske, Carrie Dampier, Patti Kies, Renee Cookstrom, and Kari Timm.

**4. Upcoming Events and Activities**

- Myself and two special education staff members will be attending a workshop for Improving Transition Outcomes for Students with Emotional/Behavioral Disabilities at CESA 2 on January 15, 2016.

**5. Miscellaneous**