

**School Board Report and Update**  
**Eagle Elementary School**  
**Mr. Matt Stich, Principal**  
**Tuesday, April 11th at 7:00 PM**

**News and Noteworthy**

March was a busy month at Eagle Elementary School. Students and staff participated in:

- Spring Concerts
- Parent Teacher Conferences

**Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment**

Eagle Elementary Students in Grades 3-6 will be participating in the Forward Exam this spring. Our school is scheduled to take the exam April 24th-27th.

The Forward Exam tests students in the areas of English Language Arts and Mathematics. Fourth grade students will additionally be tested in the areas of Science and Social Studies. One or more subtests may be administered daily during the identified time frame and it is very important that your son or daughter be in school during this time. Students not in school on the scheduled testing days will be scheduled for a makeup test prior to the close of the testing window.

**Professional Development**

- On Saturday, March 25th, Carly Gunst and Mackenzie Clark attended a Professional Development Conference to support their instruction of Handwriting Without Tears. Both teachers said this experience would be highly beneficial to their classrooms and have already begun implementing what they have learned.
- Eagle Elementary Teachers have been receiving ongoing Readers Workshop professional development from Tami Harpster. Tami has been helping to coach these teachers in running a workshop that honors the fidelity of the Lucy Calkins program.

**Thanks and Appreciation - Acknowledgments**

- I would like to thank all teachers for the time and effort they put into meeting with parents for conferences. I really appreciate teachers developing these relationships with the goal of helping kids.
- Thank you Diane King and Bill Lean for your help with the Student Art Collection in the cafeteria. I am really glad that we have had the opportunity to show off past student artwork and I am looking forward to seeing what students will be creating for the Art and Music festival soon.

**School Board Report and Update**  
**Palmyra Elementary School**  
**Steve Greenquist**  
**April 11, 2017 - 7:00pm EES**

**1. Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment**

Part of our Positive Behaviors, Interventions, and Supports (PBIS) initiative is to celebrate our accomplishments often. The sixth grade students have been trying to earn the privilege to play the teachers in a friendly game of basketball. They recently earned the privilege and the game was played last Friday in front of the 4th-6th grade students and staff. A last second three point shot by Quinn Metzger gave the victory to the sixth graders. The students stormed the court in celebration.

**2. News and Noteworthy**

The Eagle PTO and Palmyra Home & School have joined forces planning another event that will bring both schools together for a night of fun. A Spring carnival will take place at the high school on May 19th from 5-8 pm for students and their families. This event is for elementary students and their families.

The Palmyra Home & School is also entertaining the idea of a district-wide color run event next year that would include students and families from the entire district. We will give the information to the principals to see if there is any interest in doing this.

**3. Thanks and Appreciation – Acknowledgments**

I would like to personally thank Tami Harpster, Sam Crary and Jennifer Quella for the leadership they provide at PES. It really takes a team to have a successful school and as teacher leaders they bring a lot to the table. Their expertise in curriculum, data collection and analysis, best practices, and technology has been shared with the faculty and our teachers are better because of these efforts.

**4. Upcoming Events and Activities**

- April 10-14 - **SPRING BREAK!**
- April 21 - **End of Mid-Trimester 3**
- April 28 - **Progress Reports Carried Home by Students**
- May 1 - **Teacher In-Service**
- May 4 - **Science Fair - 5:00-6:30 p.m.**
- May 5-12 - **Book Fair!**

**5. Miscellaneous**

Congratulations to Amy Wilde, Tara Walters, and Mat Mecca!!

**School Board Report and Update**  
**School/Building – Palmyra-Eagle High/Middle School**  
**Principal – Kari Timm**  
**April 11, 2017**

**1. Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment**

Andy Pickett has been working on the Forward Exam and ACT Aspire exam testing schedules. Forward exam for 7th, 8th and 10th graders will be given the week after spring break. ACT Aspire for 9th and 10th grade students will be given in mid May. Information will be sent home to families about both assessments. Middle school teachers have also be provided the practice materials for the Forward exam to cover with their students in class.

The scheduling process is continuing to move forward in both middle and high school. We made some changes to the middle school schedule so it will be done before the high school. We still anticipate having students schedules in hand by the first week of May. We are working on some options to improve intervention time and ACT prep utilizing the resource period.

We are moving forward with our 1:1 initiative. We will be expanding to 7th-9th grade next year and plan to incorporate the devices going home. We have been working with IT to create a 1:1 handbook that will lay out expectations and guidelines for these devices. We hope to continue to move the 1:1 device plan down into the high school grades with the hope of being full 1:1 in the 2018-19 school year.

**2. News and Noteworthy**

Over 25 high school choir students will be doing a tour over spring break to the Minneapolis area. They will take the opportunity to perform at both high schools and a college during their tour. They will also take in some attractions along the way.

NHS induction ceremony will take place on Wednesday, April 26th at 6:30 in the PEHS/MS cafeteria.

**3. Thanks and Appreciation – Acknowledgments**

Renee Cookstrom and the National Honor Society Students who organized and ran another very successful 4th grade lock in. Every year the NHS students are more excited about running this event and the activities continue to be a big hit with the 4th grade students.

A big thanks to Stephanie Schroeder. She has done an amazing job with the PR position all year. She is at a wide variety of events and has gone above and beyond to get the great things we are doing at PEASD in newspapers. She has been working nonstop on the promotional video that I know will be a big success.

Congratulations to Hannah Moss who represented Palmyra-Eagle High School at the DAR luncheon on April 6th. Hannah was chosen by her teachers to be the DAR Good Citizen award recipient.

#### **4. Upcoming Events and Activities**

- Spring sports are underway. Please check the school website for upcoming soccer, baseball, softball, soccer, track and golf dates
- 4/26 - NHS Banquet - 6:30 pm - cafeteria
- 5/1 - Inservice
- 5/6 - Prom - Old World Wisconsin - 7:00-11:00 pm
- 5/7 - RVC Top 10 Banquet - Edgerton High School - 6:15

#### **5. Miscellaneous**

**School Board Report and Update**  
**School/Building –District-Wide**  
**Director of Special Education, Pupil and Learning Services -**  
**Amanda Jones**  
**April 11, 2017**

**1. Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment**

- Special education staff will be administering the DLM (Dynamic Learning Map) alternative assessment for students with significant disabilities through the month of April. This is individually administered and time extensive. Thank you to those staff members, Beth Friemel and Jen Landherr.
- Curriculum and budget items are being reviewed for special education staff and programs, as well as for students identified as an English Learner (EL).

**2. News and Noteworthy**

- Special Education staff continue to evaluate current practices, especially in the area of literacy as it aligns to Results Driven Accountability (RDA) requirements. With CCR (Career and College Ready) IEPs and new forms in place, we will be further aligning our practice and services to disability related needs to improve outcomes for students with disabilities.

**3. Thanks and Appreciation – Acknowledgments**

- Thank you to Mary Kutz for providing CPR, AED and First Aid training for all MERT (Medical Emergency Response) team members on the evenings of March 20th and 22nd.
- Thank you to the following MERT (Medical Emergency Response) team members who obtained/refreshed their CPR, AED and First Aid training: Kevin Koski, Joe Hauser, Sue Fischer, Kim Hein, Teri Kelley, Kari Timm, Matt Stich, Luke Pederson, Nick Jones, Stacy Kreuziger, Sara Scheel, (and myself)
- Special Education staff are busy in the spring with individual IEP meetings and evaluations. The collaboration and effort put into writing new Career and College Ready IEP's has been extensive by the staff and is appreciated.

**4. Upcoming Events and Activities**

- I will be attending the Spring WCASS (Wisconsin Council of Administrators of Special Services ) Conference on May 3-5 in Madison. The WCASS conference

will focus on Educational sessions focused on legal, legislative, and policy and procedural updates in the areas of Special Education and Student Services.