

**School Board Report and Update**  
**Eagle Elementary School**  
**Mr. Matt Stich, Principal**  
**Tuesday, April 10th 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
- Read Across America Week
- Math 24
- Interpretive Reading

**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 16th-20th.

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**

In an effort to promote Learning For All, Eagle Elementary teachers have been continuing to collaboratively collect, assess, and analyze data by meeting together as a Professional Learning Community to inform and adapt their their classroom practice for all students. This has helped ensure that classroom practices are aligned to meet all student's individual strengths and needs, which makes it possible to provide engaging and highly effective instruction.

**Thanks and Appreciation - Acknowledgments**

- I would like to thank all staff members for the time and effort they put into meeting with parents for conferences. I really appreciate teachers teachers developing these relationships with the goal of helping kids.
- I would also like to acknowledge the efforts of Sarah Mickelson and Brittany Pfaff for the work that they put into this year's Spring Concerts. I had many positive parent reviews. Way to go ladies!

**School Board Report and Update**  
**Palmyra Elementary School**  
**Steve Greenquist**  
**April 10, 2018 - 7:00pm**

**1. Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment**

A portion of the day for the next two weeks will be used preparing our 3-6th grade students for the Forward Exam. There are resources on the DPI website that we used that align with the actual Forward Exam. We are reviewing material they have learned and we are teaching them about the tools they can use when taking the test as well as teaching them test taking strategies. The testing window is April 16-20 with makeups taking place the following week.

**PAW** - This is our third and final PAW session. Our teachers are working on individual student enrichment, intervention and differentiated instruction within classrooms to elevate student learning even more. The focus is in math and reading and 30 minutes each day is used for this purpose. We are very proud of the results we are getting during this PAW time and attribute a lot of student achievement to this process.

**2. News and Noteworthy**

Several of our 5th and 6th grade students attended the Math Meet at the Kenosha County Building recently. At the Math Meet, 5th and 6th graders work as a team and individually to compete against other schools in the Greater Dane County Advanced Learners Network. The fifth graders who attended were Belle Peterson and Oscar Schmid. The sixth graders attending were Patrick Roser and Riley Valdez. Overall the team did well, although the biggest excitement was Belle Peterson winning 2nd place overall in the 5th-grade division. Congratulations to all of the participating students!

**3. Thanks and Appreciation – Acknowledgments**

Thank you to all of the aides at PES who help assist teachers and students everyday. If we knew a thousand ways to say thank you it still wouldn't be enough. We appreciate you for all the help you have been! Your knowledge and skills are impressive and make our jobs much easier. Treats were provided by staff for the aides to express their thanks to the aides.

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

##### **April**

Apr. 02	Second Grade Literacy Meeting - 11:00 a.m.
Apr. 03	Home & School Meeting - 3:10 p.m. - Library
Apr. 04	High School Band Performance - 12:30-1:30 p.m.
Apr. 04	Faculty Meeting - 3:10 p.m. - Library
Apr. 10	Administrative Team Meeting - 12:30 p.m. - EES
Apr. 11	Third Grade Literacy Meeting - 11:00 a.m.
Apr. 11	Vertical Team Meetings - 3:10 p.m.
Apr. 12	5K Literacy Meeting - 11:00 a.m.
Apr. 13	Fourth Grade Lock-in - PEHS/PEMS
Apr. 16	Fourth Grade Literacy Meeting - 11:30 a.m.
Apr. 17	First Grade Literacy Meeting - 11:00 a.m.
Apr. 17	Kohl's Wild Theater Assembly - 12:30 p.m. (K-3) and 1:45 p.m. (4-6)
Apr. 17	Fifth Grade Science Fair - 5:00-6:30 p.m.
Apr. 18	Faculty Meeting - 3:10 p.m. - Library
Apr. 24	Administrative Team Meeting - 12:30 p.m.
Apr. 25	Vertical Team Meetings - 3:10 p.m.
Apr. 26	First Day of Book Fair for Students
Apr. 26	Fifth Grade Literacy Meeting - 11:30 a.m.
Apr. 26	Spring Book Fair begins
Apr. 30	NO SCHOOL!

#### **5. Miscellaneous**

**School Board Report and Update**  
**School/Building – Palmyra-Eagle High/Middle School**  
**Principal – Kari Timm**  
**April 10, 2018**

**1. Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment**

We are started the next phase in the trial of the behavior matrix. For 3rd quarter teacher did one class and we worked on the process and procedures of reporting behaviors using a Google form. For 4th quarter we plan to trial with all classes. This will give the teachers a chance to do the reporting for all students still in a trial period. Communication will be coming home to students and parents explaining the behavior matrix and the purpose behind it. We plan to report the scores home to parents for 4th quarter, but still as part of the trial.

Forward and ACT Aspire testing will take place in April and early May. These test will involved 7th - 10th graders are various dates and times. Information will come home to parents to encourage their students to put forth their full effort and get a good night's rest the day before. In addition we surveyed the 6th, 7th and 8th graders and will be putting a reward in place for the Forward Exam results.

We are continuing to work on the format of 9th hour next year. We are looking at a program called FlexiSCHED that will help with moving students around 9th hour for support, enrichment or to make up test and quizzes. This will help with the logistics of running a flexible period where each individual student can get what they need. I plan to present to the staff at the April inservice on the logistics of how 9th hour will work.

**2. News and Noteworthy**

The softball team had a very successful trip to Florida over spring break. The kids were able to get in several games and spend time with their family and friends. I know they appreciate all the support from the board during this process.

Band and choir held very successful spring concerts in March. The concerts will well attendance and showcased the talents of our musicians and singers. The hard work of the students, Mr. Hein and Mr. Rodrigues-Pavao could be appreciated by all the concert goers.

Brittany Neuman will be honored on April 14th at the Herb Kohl Foundation Scholarship awards ceremony. Brittany was a recipient of the Herb Kohl Initiative Scholarship in the amount of \$10,000. After the ceremony we will put information on the school webpage and social media.

The 6 valedictorians and 1 salutatorian for the class of 2018 will be recognized at the Trailways South Academic Banquet on Tuesday, April 17th. Student have each chosen an educator to honor and will receive recognition for their academic accomplishments.

### **3. Thanks and Appreciation – Acknowledgments**

Kathy Retzke who has helped order new AP Calculus books that are already here and being utilized by Mr. Burg as students prepare for the AP Calculus exam. We were also able to order AP Statistics books for next years course. These books and workbooks should arrive shortly and will be used by Mr. Bautista over the summer as he works on the AP Statistics course.

Karen Milligan who put together the spring Top Cat and Academic Letter presentation together. Karen works are to get information from all the students and puts together the presentation that is shared with parents to highlight student academic accomplishments. She does a great job with the two times during the school year.

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

- April 9th - Trailways South Math Meet
- April 11th - Top Cat Awards Ceremony
- April 19th - HS Forward exam testing
- April 14th - Herb Kohl Foundation Scholarship Banquet
- April 17th - Trailways Academic Banquet
- April 17th and 19th - MS Forward exam testing
- April 25th - NHS Banquet
- April 29th - FFA Banquet

**School Board Report and Update**  
**School/Building –District-Wide**  
**Director of Special Education, Pupil and Learning Services -**  
**Amanda Jones**  
**April 10, 2018**

**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.
- Special education materials including any curriculum/books or therapy items have been reviewed for need and purchased.
- All English Learner budget items have been purchased. Included in this were levels books in English and Spanish, notebooks, workbook items, and backpacks. The backpacks are currently being “packed” for elementary students who are English Learners to take home over the summer to continue to read by themselves and with their parents. The books and activities provided in the backpacks are one of the ways we are looking to increase family engagement with our English Learners.

**2. News and Noteworthy**

- Preparation and discussion has begun between myself, both counselors (Beth Hemmer and Renee Cookstrom), and Kathy Retzke around Social Emotional Learning and the newly released DPI Social Emotional Learning Competencies. Pupil service staff will be continually meeting throughout this year to best prepare for professional development for all staff for the start of next year around this. Additionally, we will be working with the leadership team on our current tier 1, 2 and 3 practices and additional identification and supports of tier 2 and 3 needs.

**3. Thanks and Appreciation – Acknowledgments**

- Thank you to Tori Franz and Nancy Aranda for all of the planning and work done to fulfill the “Summer Backpack” family engagement initiative for our English Learners at both elementary schools. This has been a large undertaking for ordering, organizing, inventorying and filling each

backpack with individualized books and activities in English and Spanish for each English Learner.

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

- I will be attending the ACP Network Meeting on April 12th at CESA 2 with some of the middle/high school ACP Action team members. Thank you to Renee Cookstrom, Shelby Nickels, Carrie Dampier, and Diane Stralow for also attending.
- I will be attending the Jefferson County Birth to Three Interagency meeting on April 23rd. This meeting allows representatives from head start, birth to three, and school districts within Jefferson county to discuss any updates as well as collaborative efforts. Ashley Malek, our Early Childhood teacher, will also be attending with me this year.
- I will be attending the Homelessness Summit also on the 23rd (after Birth to 3 Meeting) with Steve Greenquist, Renee Cookstrom and Beth Hemmer for further information on requirements and how to best support and identify homeless families/students within our district.
- I will be attending the English Learner Network meeting on April 25th at CESA 2 for continued collaborative efforts in meeting federal and state accountability measures for our district's English Learners and programming.
- 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.

#### **5. Miscellaneous**

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