# School Board Report and Update Eagle Elementary School Mr. Matt Stich, Principal Tuesday, June 12th at 7:00 PM

#### **News and Noteworthy**

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

- 6th Grade Wax Museum
- Muffins with Moms
- 5th and 6th Grade Track Meet
- Nature Trail Planting and Garlic Weed Pull-a-Thon
- Bike to School Day
- Battle of the Books
- The Color Run
- Kindergarten and 6th Grade Promotion

#### Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment

May and June are full of field trips, which provide students with hands on ways of learning and seeing the world around them. Students in grades 4K-6 were able to take part in many fun and engaging field trips thanks to the Eagle Elementary PTO who largely fund these experiences.

#### **Professional Development**

Teachers at all grade levels at Eagle Elementary have been meeting with their grade level partners at Palmyra Elementary to collaborate and begin planning for next school year. Thank you to Kathy Retzke, Tracie Fehrm, and Tammi Harpster for your efforts in facilitating these meetings.

#### Thanks and Appreciation - Acknowledgments

- Thank you to Joe Hauser for your efforts in preparing the 5th and 6th graders for the Elementary Track meet. A lot of work went in to this event behind the scenes to ensure that these students learned about track and field procedures.
- Thank you to the Eagle Elementary PTO for organizing the Color Run. It was a big success!
- Thank you to classroom teachers for your role in administering end of of year assessments. I would also like to recognize Justine Haima, Tracie Fehrm, Greg Deets, and Michelle Nettesheim for their roles in helping to finalize our spring assessments.

# School Board Report and Update Palmyra Elementary School Steve Greenquist June 12, 2018 - 7:00pm

#### 1. Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment

**Grade Level Meetings -** On the last day of school for teachers, we will be meeting with grade level teams to go over assessment data. In addition we will discuss student transition information so the teachers are aware of who is going to be in their class next year, where each student is academically, and will share any other student needs or concerns

#### 2. News and Noteworthy

Color Run - We are hoping to end the school year with our annual Home & School Color run. This report was written prior to the end of school, but the Color Run is such a huge event I wanted to report out on the event. There is a good chance the event will have to be rescheduled due to the possibility of having to cancel the last day of school. This event is a fundraiser, and if cancelled the plan is to have the color run at the start of next year. This year's sixth grade students would be invited back to be part of it as well.

**Art and Music Festival** - Students in fifth and sixth grade entertained those attending our Art and Music Festival. Thanks to Brittany Pfaff for organizing the music portion of the event. Thanks to Mrs. King who showcased artwork from all grade levels. Mrs. King is retiring this year and we wish her the best!

# 3. Thanks and Appreciation – Acknowledgments

A special thank you to two of our staff members who recently came to the aid of a student who had food lodged in his throat and couldn't breath. PES aides Tiffany Lindbloom and Sharon Cox took emergency steps, administered the Heimlich maneuver, and was able to dislodge the food, allowing the student to breath. We are all extremely grateful for their efforts and for possibly saving the student's life. A special gathering was held in honor of their heroism. A Wonder Woman cake was presented to them to help show our gratitude. Their skills and courage are unparalleled, and their quick action was appreciated.

Congratulations and best wishes to our retirees at PES!

Diane King Patricia Kies Randy Martinson

You will be missed!

# 4. Upcoming Events and Activities

Have a great summer everyone! We will see you all in September!

5. Miscellaneous

# School Board Report and Update School/Building – Palmyra-Eagle High/Middle School Principal – Kari Timm June 12, 2018

#### 1. Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment

Tori Franz and Kathy Retzke will be working with several teachers who volunteered to be part of the 'Learning for All' pilot group. These teachers will be working this summer to create rubrics to utilize during the pilot.

Kathy Retzke, Tori Franz, Dustin Burg, Kari Timm and new middle school math teacher Jeremiah Vangen meet to look at 6th grade math placements. They utilized MAP scores, AIMSweb scores in addition to the results from a screener developed by high and middle school teachers to determine placements for incoming 6th graders. These placements will be monitored and students will be moved if necessary.

#### 2. News and Noteworthy

High school graduation ceremony was held on Sunday, June 3rd. The ceremony was a success and we wish the graduates of the Class of 2018 the best of luck on their next steps. A big thanks to all the staff members who have helped them through the years. In addition, thank you to those who were able to attend the ceremony.

8th grade promotion ceremony was held on Tuesday, June 5th. Again, it was a very nice ceremony with awards and diplomas given out to 8th grade students. A big thanks to Karen Milligan who does most of the work behind the scenes to organize and facilitate the ceremony.

#### 3. Thanks and Appreciation – Acknowledgments

Thanks to Katy Engh and Kyle Damrow as they leave the district to purse different opportunities. They have both had an important impact on our students and staff in their years in the district.

Also, congrats to Curt Rehm, Linda Wallace, Pati Kies and Diane King, who was a middle school art teacher for several years, on their retirement. We wish them all the best of luck!!

#### 4. Upcoming Events and Activities

# School Board Report and Update School/Building –District-Wide Director of Special Education, Pupil and Learning Services Amanda Jones June 12, 2018

#### 1. Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment

- Rtl Committee had another productive year. ABC (Academic Behavior Concern) teams met frequently to collaborate and work to provide multi-tiered level of support to meet various student needs.
- Through research, numerous discussions, informational webinars and cross comparing of data and analysis, the Rtl Committee has decided that the district will move forward in the 2018/19 school year with Fastbridge Learning (Formative Assessment System for Teachers). Fastbridge will replace MAP and Aimsweb 2.0 assessments that have currently been used for benchmark screening and progress monitoring.
  - Fastbridge combines Curriculum-Based measurement (CBM) and Computer-Adaptive Testing (CAT) to monitor student progress in the areas of reading, math and social/emotional behavior.
  - The social/emotional behavior component of the assessment is going to be utilized as a tool for identifying students who may be at-risk and in need of tier 2 and/or 3 intervention and support in their social/emotional well-being.
- All students identified as needing to take the alternative assessment completed the Dynamic Learning Map instead of the FORWARD Exam.
   These students are identified has having significant intellectual disabilities.
- Results of the ACCESS for students identified as English Learners were sent home to families as well as how to interpret the information on the report.
- A social/emotional learning committee consisting of myself, Renee Cookstrom and Beth Hemmer (school counselors), Kathy Retzke and Carrie Dampier (GEDO 2/at-risk teacher) has been meeting over the course of the second semester. This committee has been dissecting how to roll out professional development to staff next year.
  - Beth Herman, the Social/Emotional Consultant for DPI, will be presenting on Social/Emotional Learning and the newly released competencies on the August 29th in the morning. This presentation will be for all district staff as it will be imperative that the foundation

- of how social/emotional status of students affects their behaviors and ability to be ready to learn.
- Beth Herman will be tying in how SEL as it directly relates to our initiative of Learning for All. This is so important so as not to silo the components of a well-rounded student that is college and career ready.

### 2. News and Noteworthy

- Transition Team has put forth a lot of work and effort into increasing students with disabilities life skill independence and continued goal of integrated employment opportunities within our communities.
- Evaluations have been completed and I have met with all special education paraprofessionals, as well as special education and pupil service staff members on cycle. I have enjoyed these collaborative and professional conversations.

# 3. Thanks and Appreciation – Acknowledgments

 Thank you to all of the staff, students, and parents of PEASD on making this year full of collaboration to promote student success for all.

# 4. Upcoming Events and Activities

#### 5. Miscellaneous

• Seclusion & Restraint 2017/2018 Annual Report - Please see attached.