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TO: School Board Members
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SUBJECT: Clatskanie Elementary School Principal's Report to the CSD School Board

This report covers the period from April - May. I will outline key achievements, challenges, and initiatives within this timeframe.

1. Academic Excellence:

- **Staff continues to support the SBAC process.** The initial assessment week was April 21-25 when all students in 3-6 completed the ELA CAT and Performance Task portion of the SBAC. Students will complete the MATH CAT and Performance Task the week of May 12-16. Fifth Grade Students will also complete the SCIENCE test during that week.
- **All K-2 students will participate in the final writing assessment of the year.** This will be the final opportunity for them to demonstrate growth and ability in their writing progress. 3-6 does not participate in assessment due to the intense writing component of the SBAC.
- **All students will be concluding their assessment journey May 19-23, as they complete the Spring Renaissance Assessment.** This will be facilitated in the classrooms and via the Title I team. This data will be compared to the Fall to show growth, areas of concern, and to allow grade level teams to evaluate their programs for the 2025-2026 school year.

2. Staff Development:

- **Planning for SBAC.** Much of April and May has SBAC front and center. Teachers and staff have been busy with planning for the SBAC Assessment. The third through sixth grade students have completed the ELA CAT Test and the ELA PT Assessment. 4
- **Classroom Divisions for 25-26.** As we work to prepare for next year, the classroom teachers divided their current students into groups for the next grade level in 2025-2026. Dividing the students carefully based upon numerous factors can be quite cumbersome so time was allowed to complete this task uninterrupted.

3. Infrastructure and Facilities:

- **Hallie Parker and Rachel Kujala are spearheading a project to make the garden area of the school more user friendly.** They have received a grant for this effort and have been planning and pruning and weeding already.
- **Lisa Johnson donated to CES some money and wanted it to be used for CES students overall.** A new playground game area will be set up for a “GaGa Ball Pit”. Planning and location will be completed this summer.

4. Student Engagement and Well-being:

5. Community Partnerships:

- **Books for Bikes Assembly was held on April 25.** Students who had passed 13 AR quizzes over the course of the year were entered into the drawing (for each 13 tests they passed). There were 195 students that participated this year including the second grade where ALL students were included in the drawing. The Clatskanie Masons (who sponsor this annual event) were present to draw the names of six winners. Winning students were allowed to pick from a bicycle, skateboard, scooter, or longboard this year. There were three girls and three boys chosen. Fifteen additional students received a \$15.00 Subway gift card. The Masons will be back in May to deliver the wheeled prizes.

6. Challenges and Mitigation:

7. Extracurricular:

8. Upcoming Events:

9. Conclusion:

Thank you for your time and continued support. I appreciate the feedback I receive and the positive words. CES is a great place to be and I am proud of all that is happening there.

Please feel free to reach out if you require additional information or clarification on any aspect of this report. I am more than happy to provide further details as needed.

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