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DATE: November 6, 2023

TO: School Board Members

FROM: Kara Burghardt; CES Principal

SUBJECT: Clatskanie Elementary SchoolPrincipal's Report to the CSD School Board

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This report covers the period from October 10, 2023 to November 6, 2023. I will outline key achievements, challenges, and initiatives within this timeframe.

1. Academic Excellence:

During the week of October 30-November 3, all students (K-6) completed the first writing benchmark assessment of the year. The students were given a prompt appropriate for their grade level and skill and completed the entire writing process of prewrite, rough draft, revise and edit, and final draft. Staff will be grading the writing during professional development following a rubric with the intent of demonstrating writing progress/proficiency leading to more efficient writing skills in all students.

The first round of RTI Reading Intervention Groups has been completed. Students receiving interventions in all grades and all kindergarten and first grade will receive a progress monitoring assessment. The results of those assessments will determine next steps for planning instruction and adjustments to improve opportunities for students that indicate that is a need.

TAG plans and initial TAG referrals will be completed during school conferences. Based on parent referral or percentile scores from the SBAC, meetings will be held to determine qualifying factors and plan what protocols or instructional plans will be put into place to serve this group of students.

The initial steps have been taken to select and adopt new curriculum for Math and Science. Megan Corne and Hallie Parker participated in the initial science screening. Charlie Sittloh and Rachel Kujala did the same with the math options. The entire staff is eager to look at the options, pilot, and make an educated decision on the best materials to suit CES's goals and instruction.

2. Staff Development:

Date	Activity
Nov 1, 2023	Sunshine Committee Activities
Nov 8, 2023	Writing Benchmark Scoring
Nov 15, 2023	20% Meetings
Nov 22, 20...	NONE - Thanksgiving Break
Nov 29, 20...	PBIS - Behavior Grid, Trackers, and Behavior Flow Chart
Dec 6, 2023	Safe Spaces for Kids with Autism
Dec 13, 2023	Daring Classrooms - Brene Brown
Dec 20, 20...	Sunshine Committee Holiday Activities

3. Infrastructure and Facilities:

Initial meetings have been held for the Cardiff Building Seismic Project. Staff have been informed of the summer timeline and what will be necessary to ensure that the building is cleared for the summer. It is also appreciated that there has been some pre-planning so that deadlines and timelines are respected.

4. Student Engagement and Well-being:

Fifth and sixth grade students had a "surprise" event on October 30, where all students that had no missing assignments were picked up in their classroom and taken to the cafeteria for some Bingo fun. Kathi Jackson was the caller and prizes were awarded. There was a lot of laughing and enjoyment from the opportunity and students were reminded that we will be having a similar event in November and December.

The first quarter AR party will be held on November 8. All students that were able to reach their AR goal are invited to the library for a camping themed celebration. Also, money was raised for these activities through a University of Oregon vs. Oregon State Beavers coin drive that raised over $700.00. We appreciate having the finances to facilitate positive opportunities for our Cougars.

5. Community Partnerships:

CES will be sponsoring the school auction this year. **The goal will be to ensure some funding for the Cardiff Gym bleachers and main floor. It was brought up in the initial meeting that if funding could be secured for replacing these to items, the construction crew would be able to do the installing**. CES will also be working with other avenues to initiate as much funding support as possible. Currently the gym floor has many uneven areas and dead spots. The bleachers are hanging on by a thread with miscellaneous bolts appearing often. Since the gym was used in 1965 for my own mom's graduation ceremony, it has definitely had longevity overall, but is well overdo for some attention. Community groups utilize this space, PE is held in the area all day everyday, and all sport practices for clubs and, at times, CMHS, are also held in the Cardiff Gym, as well.

6. Challenges and Mitigation:

7. Extracurricular:

CES Students participated in the Rainier/Clatskanie Soccer program as well as the unified football program. Students are getting ready to begin Kelso Youth Basketball program and there are many students involved in the Reach for the Stars dance company,

8. Future Initiatives:

9. Upcoming Events

- Oct. 30-Nov. 3 — Dental Sealants
- **October 31: — Annual Halloween Parade @ 1:45**
- **November 8: — *Parent Square Conference Confirmation***
- November 8: — End of Quarter One
- **November 9: — No School - Teacher Work Day**
- **November 10: — No School - Veterans Day**
- November 14: — Fire Drill
- **November 17: — PBIS Assembly - Gratitude**
- **November 20: — First Quarter Conferences 8:00am-8:00pm**
- **November 20-24: — No School - Thanksgiving Break**

10. 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.

Thank you for your time and consideration.
Kara Burghardt
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