

Executive Director Board Report- September

School News and Highlights

Academy update: 128 enrolled Charter update: 621 enrolled Total Enrollment: 749

Elementary After Care is off the ground, serving 78 students and families. Elementary Before Care is also off the ground, serving 25 students and families.

Betsy Jeff Penn Upper Elementary Trip MS Camping Trip Director and Classroom Observations

Board Retreat in October and May – Striving for 100% Participation Two Days, Overnight, at a location that our students visit – Discussion

Staff News

Staffing – Vacancies – Elementary Floater (8 to 4 p.m.), Communication Manager, Development Manager, and Media Specialist – all jobs posted, hoping to interview in late September/early October with hires for approval at October's board meeting

Weekly Section Meeting at each Grade Level continue to focus on norm setting, behavioral supports, lesson implementation, work plans, and general coaching on Montessori best practice at the start of the school year

Bi-monthly Director and Administrative meetings continue to focus on how to best support teachers, be vertically aligned across all program areas, build strong, engaged relationships with our parent community, and manage the multiple balls we have in the air on any given day. At the Director level we are using the Culture Code by Daniel Coyle to help build a safe, trusting team eager to take chances and be vulnerable with each other.

Weekly one-on-ones with each Director have started. We will monitor and may move to bi-monthly in January.

Administration News

With the help of Carrie and Mary our school's Mental Health Plan was completed and reported to DPI ahead of the September 15th

We will host our Indicator 10 DPI team on Wednesday, September 21st. There will be an update to the board on this work at October's meeting.

Testing Information

24 Multi-Lingual (ML) learners were assessed this fall. 12 were identified as multi-lingual learners. These 12 will take the WIDA Access Test (end of February) each year to mark progress and measure growth.

BOG was administered on 9/8. Make ups were done on 9/12. 73 students took the test. 30 did not pass the exam. Last year, 79 took the test and 32 did not pass.

20 students passed with a score of III (Passing)15 students passed with a score of IV (College or Career Ready).9 students passed with a score of V (College or Career Ready).

Passing score on BOG is 540. 11 students scored within 4 points of this mark. 18 students scored between 525 - 534. Less than 5 students scored below the 520.

There is a meeting for parents on Monday, September 26th at 5:30 p.m. for more information about the RTA law and how 3rd graders can pass onto the next grade in the fall of 2023.

State's School Performance Grade – School Report Card (based on EOG scores)

Overall school score B. Reading score was B. Math score was C. These results are based on the below percentage marks. Reading (3rd to 8th grade) – 86% passed the exam Reading (3rd to 8th grade) – 75% showed growth* Math (3rd to 8th grade) – 68% passed the exam Math (3rd to 8th grade) – 59% showed growth*

* Students who originally perform in the 90% mark on an exam, rarely met the state's

growth target, because they are already performing at such a high level, which then skews the data.