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To: Mr. Mahoney and Board of Education
From: Kip Crandall
Re: November Board Report
Date: November 8, 2016

Current Enrollment:

7th Grade – 88
8th Grade – 114

SIP Goals & Progress:

SIP Goal 1: At each grade level 5% more students will achieve their MAP growth target* in the areas of reading and math and close the free/reduced vs. paid lunch status achievement gap in math and reading by 2.5%. *(as compared to trend data indicating what would normally be expected) **Progress monitoring goals are being set as well as student data notebooks being reviewed. Building-wide tardy/unprepared policy is functioning and data is being collected.**

SIP Goal 2: At each grade level we will close the free/reduced vs. paid lunch status attainment gap by 2.5 %. **“Game Changers” book study is successfully underway. Three staff members presented chapter 1 to the rest of the staff at our October staff meeting. Engagement survey conducted spawned two additional SIP action plans, 1) how to address having hungry students at school and 2) how to provide more student choice in demonstrating proficiency of standards.**

SIP Goal 3: As a result of a focused effort related to “soft skills” (organization, goal setting, acts of kindness, etc.) activity participation, I am an Eagle, Eagle Hours and attendance percentages will increase over 2015-16 percentages. **Current attendance rate is 95.22%. Eagle Hour data not currently comparable.**

PPAC: - Next meeting to be held on Wednesday, November 16, 2016

Professional Development:

“Game Changers” book study – chapter 1 was presented at October staff meeting. A practical brain break was modeled and was encouraged to be utilized by teachers.

Jo Cermak and I visited Sterling School District’s asset coordinator, Janet Freed, on Thursday, October 27th to speak with her about their mentoring program. We learned enough in that short visit to initiate a mentoring program at DLR. We plan to start the program, pending finalization of logistics, with two volunteers from the Lutheran Church.

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Events List:

1. Nov. 8 – Builder’s Club Mtg. – 7:00 a.m.
2. Nov. 10 – FCA Mtg. – 7:00 a.m.
3. Nov. 12 – ILMEA Jazz Festival – Rochelle HS
4. Nov. 12 – School’s Foundation Draw Down – 7:00 p.m.
5. Nov. 19 – ILMEA Band/Choir Festival – DeKalb HS
6. Nov. 21 – Art Club – 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
7. Nov. 22 – Builder’s Club Mtg. – 7:00 a.m.
8. Nov. 30 – Student Council Mtg. – 7:00 a.m.
9. Dec. 6 – Builder’s Club Mtg. – 7:00 a.m.
10. Dec. 6 – Card Club – 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.
11. Dec. 8 – FCA Mtg. – 7:00 a.m.

Positively Speaking:



DLR’s Haunted Halloween Costume Ball was a huge success with 123 of our 200 students attending!

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Students enjoy their SOAR reward day at White Pines State Park. At left, Mr. Donmeyer explains the rules to the game Predator and Prey. At right, Zac, Isaac and Ethan identify some leaves.



DLR staff has fun with Halloween and all dress up as their favorite Emoji!!

Respectfully submitted... Kip Crandall

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