

RSU #16 Elementary Principals' Report
September 2017

RSU #16 Elementary School News:

Work in the Elementary Schools has been primarily focused on the individual building goals and needs thus far in the year. Our Sixth graders are preparing to attend the Ecology School three day trip later in September, it is an exciting trip for all involved!

Individual School News:

Elm Street School	Minot Consolidated School	Poland Community School
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<p><u>Staffing:</u> I am pleased to welcome our four new teachers to Elm Street School. Ashley Richards and Haley Saurman in grade four, Amy LaPrell in grade one and Susan Harmon as our Future Leaders Teacher. Elm Street School is in the process of filling our Full-Time Social Worker position.</p> <p><u>Professional Development, School Wide Goals, and Curriculum:</u> Elm Street School has set building goals for the year around expecting students to be able to articulate our school-wide expectations of safe, respectful and responsible as well as our teachers are expected to implement the new Science and Social Studies units of study. These goals will be measured through feedback and assessment. A huge thank you to our summer PBIS team and parent representative who worked hard to roll-out our new matrices, lesson plans and acknowledgement system. Our professional development for this month will focus on the implementation of the Everyday Math beginning of year assessments.</p> <p><u>Building:</u> A huge thank you to Gavin, Dan and Carolyn, under Gary's supervision, along with some</p>	<p><u>Staffing:</u> Minot Consolidated School is proud to welcome three new teachers. Joining our team is Kayla Larsen in grade four, Shirley Jackson in grade 5, and Kelly Michaud as our physical education teacher. We are are happy to fully staffed!</p> <p><u>Professional Development, School Wide Goals, and Curriculum:</u> We have been working to gather information and data to be used for developing our school-wide goals. Through a series of staff interviews, parent and staff surveys, and student data there are a number of themes our school leadership will address in our school-wide goals to be developed with the staff at the beginning of this month. Our PBIS team and parent representative met throughout the summer on refining our behavior expectations and procedures for common areas, develop lesson plans for these areas, and plan staff development on teaching common area expectations as well as classroom expectations and procedures. Our professional development for this month will include continued work in PBIS and implementation of the Everyday Math program.</p> <p><u>Building:</u></p>	<p><u>Staffing:</u> We are still looking to fill a couple ed tech positions and are starting without a Title One math teacher, but otherwise at full staff! Our PCS family has grown with the transfer of the FLS program for k-3 students from Minot. They are a great, professional group, and add a lot to our school!</p> <p><u>Professional Development, School Wide Goals, and Curriculum:</u> We have set building goals for the year around the development of clearer behavior expectations and outcomes for students who cannot meet expectations on this area. We are also working to clarify and streamline our RTi process. Our work this year will include research around best practices in these areas, and by the end of the year we hope to have clearly articulated documents to be shared with staff, students and families. Our professional development for the month will focus on that work and the implementation of the Everyday Math beginning of the year processes.</p> <p><u>Building:</u> Our custodians did an AMAZING job this summer getting the building ready for staff and students. This is the best our building has looked to start the year in my time with the district! We are still waiting on our</p>
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<p>contracted services, that worked very hard to install new roofing, chimneys, tiles, drinking fountains as well as ensuring our floors are shiny and waxed.</p> <p><u>Events:</u></p> <p>September 6: Sixth Grade Ferry Beach Ecology School Parent Night at 6PM in the gymnasium</p> <p>September 6: PTO Kick-off meeting at 6PM</p> <p>September 7: Pre-K Orientation</p> <p>September 8: First Day of Pre-K</p> <p>September 11: RSU #16 School Board Meeting @ PRHS @ 6:30 PM</p> <p>September 20-22: Ferry Beach Sixth Grade Experience</p> <p>September 21: The Ecology School visits Bissonnette (1-1:45 PM)</p> <p>September 21: The Ecology School visits Cormier (2-2:45 PM)</p> <p>September 25: Grade Three Field Trip to the Ecology School</p> <p>September 25: Grade Four Field Trip to the Cumberland Fair</p> <p>September 26: ESS K-6 Family Folk Dance @ 6pm</p>	<p>Our custodians worked very hard to prepare our building for staff and students. We would like to thank Gerry, Pat, Mike, and Mike. They take pride in the work they do and it shows. The building looks great! We have ordered new playground equipment for our Pre-K students. Once this equipment arrives, it will be installed along with two slides for our current playground that will be replaced because of damage.</p> <p><u>Events:</u></p> <p>September 6: Sixth Grade Ferry Beach Ecology School Parent Information Night at Elm Street School at 6:00pm</p> <p>September 7: Pre-K Orientation</p> <p>September 8: First day of Pre-K</p> <p>September 12: First Community Club Meeting at 7:00pm</p> <p>September 19: MCS Family Folk Dance Event at 6:00pm</p> <p>September 20-22: Sixth Grade Ecology School Trip</p> <p>September 26: Third Grade Ecology School Trip</p> <p>October 3: Community Club Meeting</p> <p>October 6: Workshop Day</p> <p>October 9: Columbus Day</p>	<p>pre-k playground equipment to arrive so we can put in that new space for our youngest learners. We added some barriers to the front parking lot so our monitored buses can drop off and pick up students apart from our caregivers who do that through the Main Entrance.</p> <p><u>Events:</u></p> <p>September 6: 6th grade Ecology School parent night</p> <p>September 7: Pre-k orientation day</p> <p>September 14: Panther Pride Assembly, 9:30 am</p> <p>September 20-22: Grade 6 to Ecology School for overnight program</p> <p>September 28: The NED Show Assembly, 9:30 am</p> <p>October 3: Data Meetings</p> <p>October 6: Workshop Day</p> <p>October 9: Columbus Day</p>
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