

Principal's Report
to the
School Board

The start of a new school year is always filled with great anticipation and excitement in seeing friends that you might have not been in contact with throughout the summer months. That includes students, parents and staff members. We started this year off with three days of professional development that was warmly received as we worked hard to learn the framework for teaching Danielson Model for Evaluation and Professional Growth, discussed trauma related stress in children, reviewed best practices in instruction, and covered all of the "nuts and bolts" regarding the logistics of running a successful school. Our three upriver goals for 2019-2020 are:

1. Develop supports to create safe learning environments by connecting schools, families and community resources.
2. Continue competency and assessment collaboration to improve our test scores
3. Supporting collaboration with high quality professional development for teachers to share ideas and collaborate in their learning.

Our latest enrollment figures are as follows:

Kindergarten=8

1 grade=7

2 grade=11

3 grade=9

4 grade=5

5 grade=10

6 grade=6

7 grade=3

8 grade=5

9 grade=4

10 grade=0

11 grade=2

12 grade=1

Please keep in mind that these numbers vary weekly. For example, this week we will be adding three students to our total and losing two students out of district transfers.

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All grades are starting to plan for the Star and DIBELS testing. Currently, we do have some upriver sites that have started the process. These tests determine student progress from last spring's testing as well as determine baselines for this year. While we often find regression over the summer, it is informative to document growth over each school year. These tests confirm the teacher's professional judgement regarding progress of each student over time.

Our cross-country practice started this week for most upriver sites. To date, Sleetmute is preparing for the Wildcats Salmon Run next weekend August 30-31. Our plans are to start open gym within the next couple weeks for students and community members. We are having our first orientation with registration and potluck for Stony River this Saturday. Our superintendent along with other district office staff will support the event with their attendance. The community is very excited about the event and the opportunity to meet staff. It should be noted all upriver schools will participate in a community orientation to be scheduled for the month of September.

We are in the midst of discussion for after school tutoring and other programs to offer families/students and community members this year. I would like it to be noted the time and care that has gone into building and grounds "cleanup" for Crooked Creek and Stony River schools. To date, we have made every attempt to improve the appearance and make repairs to broken items in our buildings. I am hopeful this will increase the moral with our students, parents and community members. Also, Crooked Creek this week did start practicing lock-down and fire drill procedures with all grades. Of course, this procedure will follow with all upriver sites.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have regarding this report or the school business in general.

Respectfully Submitted,



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