

Superintendent Report

July 22, 2024



The purpose of the Superintendent Report is to give the Board a high-level overview of what is going on across the district.

As always, we are going to begin with staff recognition - and that is specifically something I want to call out this evening because there are quite a few things to highlight in addition to last week being Educator Appreciation Week!

Summer Semester Going Strong



Our Summer Semester program is going strong and we are so fortunate to have amazing staff members who work together to make this program a success. During summer semester, we have classroom teachers, bus and lunch helpers, school nurses, school nutrition professionals, attendance professionals, and more

Our Summer Semester Interns



In addition to our staff members, we also are lucky to have a great group of Summer Semester interns, who are very visible throughout the building in their bright green shirts. Our interns love helping with Summer Semester and are building valuable skills by engaging in this way....our teachers love having helpers, and our younger learners love having older students, who are mentors in their classrooms.

In the next few slides I'm going to highlight just some of the great learning that has been taking place over the last couple weeks - and know that this is just a very small snapshot of the many courses we have available.

ABC Jamboree



We'll begin with some of our youngest learners who are getting ready for kindergarten in ABC Jamboree. In this class they explore the alphabet through books, song and movement. Each day they practice identifying letters, singing songs, playing games, and engaging in fun activities.

Primary Life Science



Students in kindergarten - 2nd grade who are in our Primary Life Science class are enjoying spending time exploring scientific concepts in a hands-on way. In this lesson, students observed the structure and behavior of creatures in the outside world, and you can see how much fun they're having doing it!

Makercarte STEAM Unplugged



Students in our Makercarte - STEAM Unplugged class participate in hands-on activities that connect science, technology, engineering, art and music. Examples of some of the fun activities include: developing your own game, building a scribble bot, making cars and airplanes move without electricity, creating your own instrument, and practicing sequencing off-line. This has been very popular among our 2nd-4th grade learners!

Diamond Painting



Students in our Summer Semester Diamond Painting class are enjoying engaging in a creative and calming activity, while also refining those fine-motor skills. We can't wait to see your final creations!

Outdoor Games



Students in our Outdoor Games class learn and enjoy games of all types, from classic favorites to new challenges. Each day, students engage in a variety of activities that focus on fitness, teamwork, and of course - fun!

Movement and Mindfulness



In our Movement and Mindfulness class, students learn strategies related to mindfulness. Activities involve yoga, movement, rock painting, making glitter jars, and more!

Scrapbooking & Card Making



Students in our Scrapbooking and Card Making class are taking some time to get organized with their very own scrapbooking boxes. Projects often take longer than one class period to complete, so this is a way to keep all their materials in one place so they can pick up the projects the next day.

Fit Lit



Our Fit Lit class is new this year and has been a huge hit. The experience is designed to peak student engagement by merging fitness and literacy together. Each week the class focuses on a specific sport, where they strengthen literacy and comprehension skills by exploring the sport of the week, and then apply what they've learned while engaging in that sport. We love how this class appeals to students by being relevant and engaging!

Cursive & Calligraphy



Can you write the entire alphabet without lifting your pencil? These students are on their way to mastering that skill in our Cursive & Calligraphy Summer Semester class! It really is true that "Practice Makes Progress!"

Puzzle It Up



Puzzle It Up offers students the opportunity to apply problem-solving strategies by working to complete puzzles, riddles, and games. What an accomplishment it is when those puzzles are complete!

Lego Logo



Students in our Lego Logo Summer Semester class are busy building Lego projects with computer programming to build a variety of projects. Examples include a motorized car, a merry-go-round that really plays music, and an elevator with lights and sound. Later in the week we're excited to see the "Battlebot Competition!"

Summer Semester: Let's Bake!



Some of our 6th-8th grade students are participating “Let’s Bake” class, where they learn and apply baking science principles in the preparation of simple, made-from-scratch baked products to share with family and friends. The class recently baked homemade biscuits and the aroma from this project filled the halls. We wonder if any of the final products made it all the way home!!

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