

NRHEG Public School

Independent School District No. 2168



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Elementary Principal's Report NRHEG Elementary School October 11, 2016

NRHEG Mission Statement:

Empowering students with knowledge and skills to succeed.

Vision Statement:

To be the school district of choice, inspiring excellence in academics, arts and activities.

1. Enrollment at the Elementary (2016-2017 School Year)

	Enrollment	# of Sections	Students/Sect.
ECSE	7	2	
ECSE/KP	9	1	9
Bridges	8	1	7
K	67	4	17
1	62	4	15
2	50	3	15
3	73	3	24
4	77	3	24
5	71	3	25
Total	424		10/11/2016

Enrollment History

August 2015

427

September 2015

432

October 2015

428

January 2016

426

May 2016

423

August 2016

411

September 2016

423

2. We continue to hold meetings with parents regarding transitioning their child to our *Bridges* program. Our recommended final date to do so is October 24.
3. October is *National Bullying Prevention Month*. Our teachers continue to use our Bully Free curriculum weekly, and we are supporting our anti-bullying efforts this week with our Panther Pride Community Picnic on Friday, October 14, from 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
4. Our fifth grade students will be going to Eagle Bluff in Lanesboro during the week of October 17-19. The students will be leaving right away Monday morning and will return to school on Wednesday afternoon. This is a 3 day/2 night adventure. Check out the activities and events that our students will be participating in at <http://www.eagle-bluff.org/>.
5. NRHEG Elementary received a check for \$1250.00 from Cargill, Inc. to support the final expenses associated with the development of the elementary playground.

Dale N. Carlson, Superintendent

David A. Bunn, High School Principal

Douglas A. Anderson, Elementary Principal

6. NRHEG Elementary/NRHEG PTO is currently supporting a fundraiser through the *Chip Shoppe/Cherrydale* Fundraising. Sale dates are September 29-October 13 and the delivery date will be November 23 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. in the south gym. During this fundraising event, one student is selected daily to receive the “Principal’s Limo Ride” which includes a pick up at their bus or the school door and a ride to their classroom on the principal’s chair. At the end of the day they are again picked up and taken to their bus or ride. Students selling 25 or more items will have their name entered for a chance to ride in an actual Stretch Limo. Other prizes are available to students as well. Initial results indicate a high student interest in this fundraising event.
7. There will be a Family Flu Shot Clinic at the elementary on Monday, October 24, from 4:00-7:00 p.m.
8. Licensed staff members are currently signing up to participate in a professional book study using Carol Dweck’s book *Mindset: The New Psychology of Success; How We Can Learn to Fulfill Our Potential*. Mindset is an idea discovered by world-renowned Stanford University psychologist Carol Dweck. During decades of research on achievement and success, Dweck shares a simple idea that makes all the difference. In a fixed mindset, people believe their basic qualities, like their intelligence or talent, are simply fixed traits. They spend their time documenting their intelligence of talent instead of developing them. They also believe that talent alone creates success without effort.

In a growth mindset, people believe their most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work~brains and talent are just the starting point. This view creates a love of learning and a resilience that is essential for great accomplishment. Virtually all great people have had these qualities. Teaching a growth mindset creates motivation and productivity in the worlds of business, education and sports.

9. **Panther Homecoming**, Friday, October 14

8:40 Pep Fest/Teddy Bear Parade

9:30 Homecoming Phy-Ed Marathon

10:30 Community Panther Pride Picnic Begins~Runs Until 12:00 p.m.

12:30 Homecoming Parade Begins

Start on the east side of the elementary school (School Street). Follow School Street north to Highway 30. Go west on Highway 30 until you reach Floors 4 U. Go north one block. Then go west one block. Then proceed south for one block. Turn east on Highway 30 and return to school.

Picnic Lunch Times (Estimated)

*10:30 Bridges

*10:40 Kindergarten

*10:55 Second Grade

*11:05 First Grade

*11:15 Third Grade

*11:30 Fourth Grade

*11:45 Fifth Grade

9. Music Department News ~Mrs. Fredrickson

September Music Students of the Month

Grade 1~Mya Wilson and Ajay Arndt

Grade 2~Josie Nightengale and Brendan Schmidt

Grade 3~Gabrielle Schlaak and Devon Nelton

Grade 4~Madisyn Langfitt and Harbor Cromwell

Grade 5~Khara Peters and Daltyn Harshman

10. Elementary Principal's 2016-2017 Professional Goals:

- To increase student achievement and proficiency, growth, and reducing the achievement gap.
- To assist teachers in securing meaningful professional development and in-service opportunities as related to grade level and department PLC team goals.
- To provide high impact, effective, meaningful and timely feedback to teachers using iObservation.
- To continue to build and foster strong and lasting relationships with students, families, staff and District residents to promote our District's mission and vision.

All Students Ready for Kindergarten

Objective:

By June 2021, 80% of NRHEG kindergarten students will be Kindergarten ready as measured by the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment Tool, which will be developed by the EC and Kindergarten staff during the 2016-2017 school year.

All Students in Third Grade Achieving Grade Level Literacy

Objective:

By 2021, the NRHEG School District will increase proficiency to at least 82% as measured by the MCA III Reading Assessment.

Close the Achievement Gap/s Among all Groups

Objective: By June 30, 2021

- ALL - Increase yearly growth by 1.5% each year in Math (currently 81.5%) and 2% each year in Reading (currently 71.7%) as measured by the MDE.
- Elementary FRP —Increase yearly growth by 2% each year in Math (84.3%) and Reading (70.8%) as measured by the MDE.
- Secondary FRP —Increase yearly growth by 2% each year in Math (80.6%) and Reading (61.5%) as measured by the MDE.
- Elementary SPED—Increase yearly growth by 2% each year in Math (71.5%) and Reading (57.1%) as measured by the MDE.
- Secondary SPED— Increase yearly growth by 2% each year in Math (60%) and Reading (48.1%) as measured by the MDE.

I have also identified focus areas for the following competency areas: Vision and Mission, Instructional Leadership, Human Resources, Professional and Ethical Relationships, and Resource Management.