NRHEG Public School

Independent School District No. 2168



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Elementary Principal's Report NRHEG Elementary School October 8, 2018

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. Elementary Enrollment (as of October 8, 2018)

	Enrollment	# of Sections	Students/Sect.
ECSE	17	3	
Bridges	11	1	11
K	60	4	15
1	54	3	18
2	62	3	20-21
3	64	3	21-22
4	48	2	24
5	70	3	23-24
Total	385	(387 Sept.)	10-08-2018

Enrollment History

2. NRHEG Elementary is pleased to announce that Steven Woyen has been hired by the MN Reading Corps as our Literacy Tutor for the 2018-2019 school year. Literacy Tutors work one-on-one and in small groups with readers from kindergarten through grade 3, using evidence-based literacy interventions created by experts. The result: Struggling readers make incredible gains that are evident on assessments. Data is at the core of the Reading Corps model. Tutors use research-based assessments to monitor their students' progress and work with coaches to make sure they're providing the right instruction to each child. Tutors begin their AmeriCorps service with rigorous training from literacy experts, who give them the knowledge and tools they need to be effective and confident.

- 3. The Elementary Leadership Team met on Monday, October 1. The agenda included the following items:
 - *Enrollment/Staffing Update
 - *3:00 p.m. Dismissal Time Update/Brainstorming
 - *Principal PLC Update
 - *Discussion regarding generating a parent survey for elementary school concerts (possible afternoon concerts during the school day)
 - *Discussion regarding Community Survey and Task Force work as related to NRHEG Elementary
 - *Suggestion to create a form for parents/guardians to complete when they leave the NRHEG District. This would allow us to understand the "why" people leave our school. Is it due to a change in employment? Transportation? Tests scores? Student/teacher ratio? Are we unable to meet student needs?
- 4. On Monday, October 8, the elementary staff participated in a foundational training for the nobully.org program (grant) that we received. No Bully® is a nonprofit organization that ignites compassion to eradicate bullying and cyber-bullying worldwide. Founded in San Francisco in 2003, No Bully was started by a collaborative team of educators, psychologists and lawyers committed to building a kinder and more compassionate world through ending the crisis of bullying in schools and online. Since its founding, No Bully has had a 90% success rate eliminating bullying in schools, serving 326 schools and over 200,000 students, partnering with institutions, families, parents, and students to teach the good use of power by empowering voice, compassion toward others, and inclusivity. The video bully shares a little bit about the program. https://youtu.be/wFhHc92fOCw
 - Our team at the elementary is currently working on the implementation steps for this program which include the development of our social vision~our rationale for everything done here at school along with our most important theme. We will seek input from teachers, students, staff and parents. Stay tuned!
- 5. During the month of October our first grade students have been invited to tour the Albert Lea (Naeve) Hospital.
- 6. On Friday, October 12, our kindergarten students will be on a class field trip to the Red Barn in Hayfield. The Scanlan family has invited our students to their cozy acreage just SW of Rochester, MN! The Red Barn Learning Farm is a destination that our kids will talk about for months to come. Come climb in the silo, jump on the straw bales in the barn, cuddle with a farm kitty, drive our pedal tractors, pick out your pumpkin, and visit our large variety of barnyard animals.
- 7. Our fifth grade students will be at Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center in Lanesboro October 15-17. Due to very generous donations from families, community organizations and businesses our students are able to enjoy three action-packed learning days. Eagle Bluff specializes in transformative educational experiences. Participation in events and activities at Eagle Bluff will:
 - ~Foster a sense of respect, stewardship and community
 - ~Impart life skills such as teamwork and problem solving
 - ~Increase environmental awareness and academic literacy
 - ~Promote positive outdoor experiences
 - ~Spark curiosity and appreciation for the natural world
- 8. A public flu shot clinic will be held on October 23 from 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- 9. Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on the evenings of Tuesday, November 13, and Thursday, November 15, from 4:00-8:00 p.m. We view conferences as a great opportunity to discuss your child's progress, share your child's strengths and needs and work closely with the teacher to help your child do well in school.

~Upcoming Events~
NRHEG Elementary School
Tuesday, October 16

Mrs. Klukow~Albert Lea Hospital Tour

Thursday-Friday, October 18-19

M.E.A. Break~No School for Students/Staff

Tuesday, October 23

Mrs. Boran~Albert Lea Hospital Tour Public Flu Shot Clinic 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 24

Picture Retakes A.M.

Friday, November 2

End of Quarter One

Monday, November 5

Teacher Work Day~No School for Students

Tuesday, November 13 and Thursday, November 15

Parent Teacher Conferences

4:00-8:00 p.m.

