

Submitted by Elementary Principal Sheila Everhart

Achievement & Curriculum Expansion

Euro Curriculum

A special thank you to all K-5 Representatives:

- Math- Lois Hulse and Carol Sowl;
- English -Alli Nyara;
- Science- Laura Bohn;
- Social Studies- Kathy Noteboom;
- Art- Melissa Eid;
- Music- Jeff Wenz;
- Computers and Technology – Jeff Haiden.
- Gifted and Talented - Leo Flipzcak

Upcoming Euro Work Days

February 11, 2010 Music

February 17, 2010 Art

February 24, 2010 Gifted and Talented

Elementary Curriculum Staff Development Meetings

- Writing Six traits curriculum February 2, 2010
- PBIS Discipline Committee Meeting February 8, 2010
- Math Curriculum February 9, 2010
- Elementary Staff Business Meeting February 16, 2010
- Reading Instruction Delivery ERE/Guided Reading February 23, 2010

Attendance

The Bayfield Elementary and LaPointe Elementary staff has been monitoring and encouraging daily attendance at school by contacting students by phone and encouraging speedy return. Lately we have been seeing signs of the flu bug.

Average Daily Attendance (as of February 2, 2010)

- Bayfield Elementary 92.46 %
- LaPointe Elementary 94.23 %

Bayfield Troller After School Program (TAP):

The Bayfield Troller After School Program began on October 12, 2009. Activities are held on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30 – 5 p.m. **Eighty** students attended **Session I**.

Session II November 30, 2009 – January 14, 2010 **Fifty-seven** students are enrolled.

Session III February 8, 2010 – March 11, 2010 will be very exciting for students. Registration is now taking place.

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The **LaPointe After School Program** began in October. Activities are held on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. LaPointe Elementary had an average daily attendance of 10 students during session I & II.

Wellness and Nutrition

- Food Service Staff continues to work hard providing **fresh fruits and vegetables** to our K-5 students. Our midyear FFV Grant report was submitted January 31, 2010.
- More students are eating Breakfast. The next Parent Breakfast will be on February 5, 2010.
- Recess – Classrooms are charting their daily activity. Students are encouraged to engage in 60 minutes of activity per day. Some days the students have had as many as 90 minutes of activity. On average, classes have 60 minutes of physical activity per day. More sleds were purchased from Ace Hardware. Our K-5 students really enjoy sledding down the front hill.

School Climate and Behavior

- K-5 Teachers have been working hard to teach positive behaviors and procedures in their classrooms. Students are responding well. Students are adjusting to new routines and schedules. Natural Looping occurred for several of our staff and students. Students are off to a positive productive start.
- Elementary Awards Ceremony February 26, 2010.
- **559** Behavior Bucks were earned and spent at the December 17 & 18 Polar Express Shop. On average each student earned 4 behavior bucks.
- Elementary Special Education Classrooms have been restructured to meet the needs of our students.
- Twenty-Five Out of School Suspensions have been issued for Student Office Managed Behavior Referrals. Circles and Alternative Behavior Consequences have been effectively used with students.
- Staff and Parents are working hard to develop plans that best meet the needs of the students. Students are taught positive behaviors and expectations.

Math Family Nights -

- September 17, 2009 2nd grade 5-7 p.m. 41 people attended (31 N 10 NN)
- September 22, 2009 5th grade 5-7 p.m. 26 people attended (15 N 11NN)
- September 24, 2009 1st grade 5-7 p.m. 48 people attended(30 N 18 NN)
- September 29, 2009 4th grade 5-7 p.m. 57 peoples attended (44 N 13 NN)
- October 8, 2009 Kindergarten 5-7 p.m. 56 people attended (46 N 10 NN)
- October 13, 2009 3rd grade 5-7 p.m. 45 people attended (28 N 17 NN)
- October 14, 2009 LaPointe Elementary 4-6 p.m. 40 people attended
(3 N 37 NN)

Total 313 in attendance. 197 Native (N) 116 Non- Native (NN)

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Family Soup Salad & Science Nights 5-7 p.m.

- December 1, 2009 4th grade 31 people attended (21 N 10 NN)
- December 3, 2009 2nd grade 35 people attended (16 N 19 NN)
- December 8, 2009 5th grade 18 people attended (8 N 10 NN)
- December 10, 2009 1st grade 28 people attended (8 N 20 NN)
- December 15, 2009 Kindergarten 29 people attended (13 N 16 NN)
- January 7, 2010 3rd grade 30 people attended (19 N 11 NN)
- LaPointe Elementary TBD (Staff are waiting for the ice road)

Approximately 200 people participated. Exact numbers will be reported after the LaPointe Elementary event.

Future Ravioli and Reading Family Nights

- **January 28, 2010 5-7 p.m. Second Grade**
- **February 2, 2010 5-7 p.m. Kindergarten**
- **February 4, 2010 5-7 p.m. 1st grade**
- **February 9, 2010 5-7 p.m. Fifth Grade**
- **February 16, 2010 5-7 p.m. 3rd grade**
- **February 18, 2010 5-7 p.m. 4th grade**
- **February 24, 2010 5-7 p.m. LaPointe Elementary**

New Initiatives:

Parent Advisory Council

What are the responsibilities of the Parent Advisory Council?

The Parent Advisory Council has many responsibilities, including:

- Working collaboratively as part of the School Community to develop and conduct parent trainings that focus on parent advocacy skills and partnering with the school to help children succeed.
- Communicating with and getting feedback from other parents in the community.
- Examining various multimedia products and services developed by the school system to communicate with parents, and providing feedback on quality and clarity.
- Providing advice on innovative ways to communicate with parents about system wide initiatives, programs, and activities.
- Providing feedback as requested to the Elementary Principal.

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What is the structure of the Parent Advisory Council?

The PAC is composed of 12 to 24 parents who serve two-year terms. (One representative and alternate from each class) For the purposes of this Council, the term "parent" refers to the parent or legal guardian of a child enrolled in Bayfield Elementary.

How are members chosen to serve on the Parent Advisory Council? Parents will be invited to participate.

When will the Parent Advisory Council meetings be held?

PAC will meet six times during the 2009–2010 school year. The meetings will last approximately 60 minutes, beginning at 6:00 p.m., on the following dates in the office conference room:

- Wednesday, January 20, 2010 Parents are excited about this opportunity.
- Wednesday, February 17, 2010
- Wednesday, March 17, 2010
- Wednesday, April 21, 2010
- Wednesday, May 19, 2010

What will be expected of PAC members?

Each member will serve a two-year term. Members may not serve for more than two consecutive terms. PAC representatives will agree to have personal contact information posted on the website to allow area stakeholders to communicate and provide input. Council members will be expected to attend all scheduled meetings; prepare for each meeting as needed; work in a collaborative fashion with each other and with school system staff; express views and opinions openly, constructively, and respectfully; and help facilitate parent advocacy trainings. Although staff will develop an agenda for each meeting, Council representatives may submit discussion items for consideration.

Watch D.O.G.S.

Dads of Great Students is an innovative program focusing on safety and education in schools by using the positive influence of fathers and father-figures for a two-fold purpose: (1) to provide an unobtrusive fathering presence and (2) to provide a positive and active role-model for students at the school. Fathers, stepfather, grandfathers and uncles are asked to spend at least one day at their student's school volunteering. They will support the school through monitoring the school property, working one-on-one or in small groups, reading, using flashcards, helping with homework, being referees for playground sports, using listening ears, or for whatever needs to be done to plant seeds of success in the lives of our students.

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The Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) Program has been recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and The U. S. Department of Health and Human Services. The founders have been involved with the U.S. Department of Education's Partnership for Family Involvement in Education. **Four Bayfield Elementary Fathers have officially enrolled in the Bayfield Watch D.O.G.S. Program.**

Feburary Calendar (Attached)

The Bayfield Elementary and LaPointe Elementary staffs are extremely dedicated professionals who are making a difference in the lives of our students. We have wonderful events taking place in and outside the classroom. You are always welcome to stop by and see the Great Things that are happening.