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## **Achievement & Curriculum Expansion**

### 2010-2011 Kindergarten Enrollment Update:

At the April School Board Meeting the six (6) options for Kindergarten Staffing were presented. As of today; there are 37 students who have completed enrollment forms. Two of the 37 students live on Madeline Island. Thirty-five (35) students will be enrolling at Bayfield Elementary. If students are placed in two classes (17 & 18) we will meet the SAGE requirements.

Thank you for your support as staff and I continue to look at the social, emotional and academic needs of our future students as we review the best educational class structures we can offer them within the budget limitations.

### WKCE 2009 Test Scores

Elementary Teachers have been analyzing WKCE test scores and third quarter grades for each student. Schedule adjustments and intervention strategies are being implemented by staff. The Department of Public Instruction indicated that Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) notification will not be available until June 2010. (Two Months from April 16, 2010)

### Euro Curriculum Update

This past week the EURO English Language Arts and EURO Mathematics teachers held their final work days for the 2009-2010 school year. The EURO English Language Arts group had over 30 members participate, and the EURO Mathematics group had nearly 30 members participate.

EURO English Language Arts: The group studied the Common Core State Standards in English/Language Arts for a good share of the day, learning about the components and structure of these standards, which Wisconsin will be adopting in the near future. The group also was introduced to the "Curriculum 4 Schools" program (formerly Link 4 Learning) which is a web-based curriculum design tool.

EURO Mathematics: The group studied the Common Core State Standards in Mathematics for a good share of the day as well. In addition to this, the EURO mathematics benchmarks were compared and contrasted with the Common Core State Standards, which Wisconsin will be adopting. This group also was introduced to "Curriculum 4 Schools". Teresa will be following up with each district early in the 2010-2011 school year to give updates on the final draft of the Common Core State Standards, and help each district determine next steps in the curriculum review process.

A special thank you to all K-5 Representatives:

- Math- Lois Hulse and Carol Sowl;
- English -Alli Nyara;

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- Science- Laura Bohn;
- Social Studies- Kathy Noteboom;
- Art- Melissa Eid;
- Music- Jeff Wenz;
- Computers and Technology – Jeff Haiden;
- Gifted and Talented - Leo Flipczak.

**Elementary Curriculum Staff Development Meetings**

- Writing Six traits curriculum May 4, 2010
- Math Curriculum May 11, 2010
- Elementary Staff Business Meeting May 18, 2010
- Reading Instruction Delivery ERE/Guided Reading May 25, 2010
- PBIS Discipline Committee Meeting May 24, 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 May 4, 2010)

- Bayfield Elementary 91.94 %
- LaPointe Elementary 93.53 %

Comparison of Attendance Data; (September 1 – May 4)

Year	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010
Bayfield Elementary Attendance Rate	92.16%	91.55%	91.98%	93.30%	91.94%
LaPointe Elementary Attendance Rate	97.32%	92.35%	91.58%	93.3%	93.53%

**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 attended session II.

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**Session III** February 8, 2010 – March 11, 2010 is very exciting for students. **Seventy-five** students are enrolled.

**Session IV April 12- May 6, 2010** Approximately **38 students** are enrolled.

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, III & IV.

### **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. The 2010-2011 FFV Grant application will be mailed March 9, 2010.
- The Wellness Committee is meeting Thursday April 22, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. to discuss partnerships with community agencies and organizations.
- The Bayfield School District has received a **\$9000 Garden Grant**.

### **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 Special Education Classrooms have been restructured to meet the needs of our students.
- **Thirty-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.
- **Eleven** In School Suspensions have been issued to our elementary students who are participating in our EBD Behavior Management Program.
- Staff and Parents are working hard to develop plans that best meet the needs of the students. Students are taught positive behaviors and expectations.
- The District Positive Behavior Intervention Strategies (PBIS) Committee meets on the second Monday of the Month. May 10, 2010.
- The K-5 Positive Behavior Intervention Strategies (PBIS) Elementary Team meets on the fourth Monday of the month; May 24, 2010. Team Members include; Janine Johanik, Vicki Redenbaugh, Cathy Robinson, Sarah Reedy and Sheila Everhart.

### **Math Family Nights –**

- September 17, 2009 **2<sup>nd</sup> grade** 5-7 p.m. 41 people attended (31 N 10 NN)
- September 22, 2009 **5<sup>th</sup> grade** 5-7 p.m. 26 people attended (15 N 11NN)
- September 24, 2009 **1<sup>st</sup> grade** 5-7 p.m. 48 people attended(30 N 18 NN)
- September 29, 2009 **4<sup>th</sup> grade** 5-7 p.m. 57 peoples attended (44 N 13 NN)

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- October 8, 2009 Kindergarten 5-7 p.m. 56 people attended (46 N 10 NN)
- October 13, 2009 3<sup>rd</sup> 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)**

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

- December 1, 2009 4<sup>th</sup> grade 31 people attended (21 N 10 NN)
- December 3, 2009 2<sup>nd</sup> grade 35 people attended (16 N 19 NN)
- December 8, 2009 5<sup>th</sup> grade 18 people attended (8 N 10 NN)
- December 10, 2009 1<sup>st</sup> grade 28 people attended (8 N 20 NN)
- December 15, 2009 Kindergarten 29 people attended (13 N 16 NN)
- January 7, 2010 3<sup>rd</sup> grade 30 people attended (19 N 11 NN)
- May 11, 2010 LaPointe Elementary\*  
\*Approximately 200 people participated. Exact numbers will be reported after the LaPointe Elementary event.

### **Ravioli and Reading Family Nights**

- January 28, 2010 5-7 p.m. 2nd grade
- February 2, 2010 5-7 p.m. Kindergarten
- February 4, 2010 5-7 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> grade
- February 16, 2010 5-7 p.m. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
- February 18, 2010 5-7 p.m. 4<sup>th</sup> grade
- March 9, 2010 5-7 p.m. 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- **May 17, 2010 LaPointe Elementary**

### **Culture Community and Countries Family Nights**

Culture Community and Countries Family Night - Respect our Mother Earth; Environmental Activity Family Night 5-7 p.m. Family Dinner and Activities, Looking at the Lake Superior Watershed, How nature recycles her resources, How fish will survive in the Lake Superior Watershed, Hazardous wastes in our homes, and water conservation.

The four "R" s - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Respect.

- April 13, 2010 5-7 p.m. Fifth Grade
- April 15, 2010 5-7 p.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade
- April 20, 2010 5-7 p.m. 4<sup>th</sup> Grade
- April 22, 2010 5-7 p.m. Kindergarten
- April 27, 2010 5-7 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> grade
- April 29, 2010 5-7 p.m. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
- **May 13, 2010 School District/Community Pow Wow and Feast 5 p.m.**
- **June 3, 2010 LaPointe Elementary**

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### **FAST – Families and Schools Together 4<sup>th</sup> grade**

(Seven Families participated)

- January 13, 2010 5-7 p.m.
- January 20, 2010 5-7 p.m.
- January 27, 2010 5-7 p.m.
- February 3, 2010 5-7 p.m.
- February 10, 2010 5-7 p.m.
- February 17, 2010 5-7 p.m.
- March 3, 2010 5-7 p.m. FAST Graduation Ceremony

### **2010-2011 Kindergarten Orientation Activities**

Welcome to Our **Thirty-nine (37)** New Bayfield Trollers!

The Staff at Bayfield Elementary have scheduled several opportunities for new Kindergarten Students to come to Bayfield Elementary as they prepare their first day of school, September 1, 2011.

- **April 7, 2010** Parents and Pre-School Students Pizza Night 80 people
- **April 13, 2010** Kindergarten Screening 19 students
- **April 14, 2010** Kindergarten Screening 20 students
- **April 16, 2010** Parents and Pre-School Breakfast 15 adults 9 students
- **April 27, 2010** Tour of classrooms and lunch 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- **April 28, 2010** Tour of classrooms and lunch 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- **April 30, 2010** Parents and Pre-School Breakfast 7:55a.m. -8:30 a.m.

### **Parent Advisory Council**

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: The next meeting is **Wednesday, May 19, 2010.**

### **Watch D.O.G.S. 12 Fathers have committed to the Watch D.O.G.S Program**

**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. **Twelve Bayfield Elementary Fathers have officially enrolled in the Bayfield Watch D.O.G.S. Program.**

### **Community Collaboration**

- A Special recognition to Dawn Nixon, Red Cliff Project LAUNCH Program Director for the collaboration efforts between the Early Childhood Center (ECC), Bayfield Family Forum Head Start, LaPointe Elementary and Bayfield Elementary Schools. K-5 Staff were trained in the Second Step Social Skills Curriculum on February 19, 2010. A follow-up meeting for all staff took place on April 15, 2010 at Bayfield Elementary.
- **May 18, 2010** Red Cliff Early Childhood Center (ECC), Bayfield Family Forum Head Start, LaPointe Elementary and Bayfield Elementary Schools will be hosting Glenis Benson, Ph.D. *Autism Spectrum Disorders: Consultation and Personnel Preparation*
  - Staff will have a workshop from 3:30 -4:30 p.m
  - Parents will have a workshop from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

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.

### **Elementary Teacher Input and Reflection Section**

**Feedback from Five (5) Elementary Staff and (2) K-12 Staff was received by e-mail May 5, 2010)**

The Elementary May Staff meeting will be held on May 18, 2010. Items on the agenda for discussion will include: (not in any specific order)

- Some staff have commented that they are feeling overwhelmed.
- Staff would like to learn their teaching assignments for next year. Some teachers are interested in looping and some staff would rather not. Many staff shared their opinion on the advantages and disadvantages of looping.
- Staff are concerned about - honoring parent requests for a specific teacher and possible resulting disproportionality (race, social economic status, special needs, etc)
- K-12 scheduling Building Principals working together to provide an equitable schedule for all buildings, elementary, middle and high school.
- Opportunities for providing open communication. Staff would like to be included in some of the brainstorming sessions.

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- Follow-up Communications - specifically the results of the 6<sup>th</sup> grade task force meetings.
- Opportunities for more time for reflection.

**May Calendar** (Attached)