

School District of Bayfield

Board Report

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January was a busy month. We enrolled 3 new students in the elementary. They are all doing well in the new environment.

We have been having some difficulty with getting subs this year. We have done some training for a health aide so that we have another sub available for the school nurse. We are also doing some more training for the secretarial spot in the elementary.

The TAP program is moving their room into the space that had been the principal office by the elementary office. We will be moving the Mental Health counselors into the old TAP room. The room vacated by the Mental Health counselors will be used for some individual instruction for students and also as an overflow room for the Mental Health counselors when they have two people in the building.

February 17th, which is scheduled as an early release day, will be used as a full day training for the elementary staff on the new reading series. Elementary students will not attend that day. MS/HS will attend in the morning as a typical early release schedule.

We have begun planning for the summer school programming. We have extended a request to teachers for their ideas on summer programming.

Alli Nyara is experimenting with some flexible seating options in her room. She has a standing desk, is raising the height of a table for a standing table and has lowered a few tables and placed them on foam pads for either kneeling or sitting on the floor. It has been interesting to watch how students gravitate to the type of seating which works best for them.

During the past summer Melissa Giesregen and Anne Sullivan presented on the various family engagement activities that take place in Bayfield. Because their presentation was so well received they were asked to video the same presentation. Yesterday, parts of their presentation was used as a part of a webinar sponsored by the Wisconsin RtI Center. The

webinar is titled "Welcome to Partnering with Families in a Culturally Responsive MultiLevel System of Support." I have not been able to get access to the video, but will try to get the link to you so you are able to view it.