

**Agenda Item Details**

Meeting	Feb 15, 2021 - School Board Meeting Agenda - Revised #2
Category	3. Administrative Reports
Subject	3.2 Elementary School Principal Report
Type	Information

2020-2021

Bayfield and LaPointe Elementary Monthly School Board Report

Submitted by: Mike Peterson

Date: February 15, 2021

Academic Achievement: It was great to finally get our students the opportunity to return to the classroom. It has been wonderful seeing and hearing all of the learning taking place in our school facility again. It's tough to see all the smiles through the masks, but I can assure you that they are there. Everyone who has chosen the hybrid form of instruction delivery has enjoyed the return to learning in-person. As you will see in our AGR report, the pandemic has created some unfavorable teaching and learning conditions for everyone and our academic progress has been slowed down. Our staff is ready to identify the areas of need and create a plan to address those needs. It will take time to get all of our students back to where they should be academically, but it is the work that we have ahead of us.

Supportive Climate: As we had two full weeks at level 2 Hybrid to end January and start February, I want to acknowledge everyone who adhered to our safety protocols to keep our school community safe. I was thoroughly impressed with the manner in which our teachers, paraprofessionals, custodial, food service and support staff, taught and modeled our new school protocols. Masks have been worn correctly by nearly everyone, social distancing is happening at all levels and I see everyone washing hands regularly as well as using hand sanitizer. Everyone in the Bayfield School District has pulled together in a way that can only improve our overall climate.

Effective Communication: We continue to prioritize effective communication throughout our organization. Teachers have been doing a fabulous job communicating with their students and families. The nature of moving from different forms of instructional delivery has demanded that our lines of communication are consistent, clear, and open. Our administration team has also been focusing on communicating with families and staff to ensure that everyone has the information needed to support our students during these unprecedented times.

Use of Data & Resources: We have our universal screeners (STAR and Fountas and Pinnell) dates: February 8 to March 6. Teaching staff will be using this information to plan for instruction during the second semester. Kindergarten through third grade teachers have recorded and analyzed the results from our fall universal screener and that data is available in our Achievement Gap Reduction Report (attached) per DPI requirements. Our data shows that the pandemic has had a negative effect on academic achievement and skill acquisition. We will use this data to guide our whole group and small group instruction as well as individual interventions to get our students back on track. This will take time and energy, but our staff is up to the challenge of identifying and correcting the gaps that have been created.

Attendance: Our attendance continues to stay pretty consistent at the elementary level. Bayfield Elementary is currently at 92.84% and LaPointe Elementary is at 98.73%. The pandemic is still causing some attendance issues for families, and we are trying our best to reach out to families to help solve these problems. Truancy meetings continue to be offered for families that are experiencing difficulty with keeping their children in good attendance. These meetings are not meant to be punitive but rather proactive, allowing the school and the family to problem-solve each of the unique situations.

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.