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Elementary School Board Report

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Monday, April 27, 2026

- **National Paraprofessionals Day** - On Wednesday, April 1st, we proudly recognized and celebrated our outstanding paraprofessionals at the elementary in honor of National Paraprofessionals Day. Our paraprofessionals play a vital role in supporting student learning, building positive relationships, and helping create a safe, inclusive, and engaging school environment. Their dedication, patience, and commitment make a meaningful difference in the success of our students each and every day. We are incredibly grateful for the care, flexibility, and hard work they bring to our school community, and we thank them for the countless ways they support both students and staff.
- **Spring Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE)** - The Spring ECFE session began on Wednesday, April 8th. We are excited to welcome families and children back for another season of learning, connection, and growth. ECFE provides valuable opportunities for parents and caregivers to participate in activities alongside their children, strengthen family relationships, and support early learning and development.
- **Northern Cass Site Visit** - On Tuesday, April 14th, a team of eight elementary teachers participated in a site visit to Northern Cass to deepen their understanding of student-centered learning practices. A big thank you to Samantha Terry, Emily VanHoecke, Jennifer Weber, Kris Reinhard, Danielle Bauman, Megan VanDyke, Emily Speer, and Stacy Lane for generously volunteering their time and demonstrating a commitment to continuous growth and innovation in their instructional practices. During the visit, teachers had the opportunity to observe classrooms, engage with educators, and explore strategies that promote student voice, ownership, and personalized learning. Their willingness to learn, reflect, grow, and bring new ideas back to our school is a powerful example of professional collaboration and

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leadership. Following the visit, the team shared key insights, strategies, and takeaways with the entire elementary staff during our April 15th staff meeting. Their leadership and dedication to improving outcomes for all students.

- **National Administrative Professionals Day** - On Wednesday, April 22nd, we proudly celebrated National Administrative Professionals Day by recognizing our two exceptional elementary secretaries, Shauna Kuehl and Heidi Smilloff. Shauna and Heidi are the heart of our front office and play an essential role in the daily success of our school. Their hard work, dedication, and positive attitudes do not go unnoticed. They consistently go above and beyond to support students, staff, and families. They serve as the first point of contact and ensure everyone feels welcomed, supported, and cared for. Their efficiency, organization, and attention to detail help keep our school running smoothly each day, even amidst the many demands and unexpected challenges that arise. Whether it's managing countless tasks, problem-solving on the spot, or stepping in wherever needed, Shauna and Heidi exemplify professionalism, teamwork, and a deep commitment to our school community. We are incredibly fortunate to have them as part of our elementary team and we extend our sincere appreciation for everything they do. Thank you, Shauna and Heidi, for the vital role you play in supporting the success of our students and staff!
- **2nd and 3rd Grade Concert** - On Thursday, April 23rd, Miss Davis and her 2nd and 3rd grade students presented an outstanding spring concert for families, staff, and community members. The performance showcased students' hard work, musical growth, and enthusiasm for the arts as they confidently performed a variety of songs. A sincere thank you to Miss Davis for her dedication to providing meaningful music experiences for students. I am very proud of our 2nd and 3rd grade students.
- **April Character Trait** -The character trait for April was perseverance. Throughout the month, students learned the importance of working through challenges, staying focused, and not giving up when tasks

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become difficult. On Thursday, April 30th, we will recognize one student from each classroom who has gone above and beyond in demonstrating perseverance through their determination, resilience, and strong work ethic. I am proud of all students for their effort and growth in developing this important character trait.

- **Update of attendance goal** - Our current attendance rate is 94.1%

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