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HIGHLIGHTS/NOTES FROM THE ELEMENTARY:

Student Achievement and Well Being,

- At the time of our board meeting our kindergarten event will be underway at Humphrey Elementary. We had a good initial response for participation and have confirmed welcoming more than 70 families (and anticipate some drop ins as well).
- Humphrey 3rd and 4th graders are in the final stages of preparation for their music program and will present their show on Thursday, Feb 12 at 1 and 7 p.m.
- I love to Read and Talk-Read-Play initiatives are taking on an Olympic theme for February. Going for the gold in our experiences, participation and successes. A huge shout out to the two committee members supporting this engaging work.

Effective Resource Management

- Still functioning within budget, and initial planning for 2026-27 is underway.
- As building transition planning continues, conversations with staff have been had regarding preliminary assignments (including reduction of positions, and potential hires necessary to be most effective)

Family Partnership and Community Engagement

- Lakers PTA continues to be an active part of our school communities with events and classroom support. Organizing P/T meals, a book walk and planning a movie night are just a few of the current activities to engage families with our PTA group.
- Field trips and school events continue to be offered to share the good work happening within the schools as well as expand learning experiences for students.

Staff Development and Support

- “New” building team opportunities are in its infancy stages, with our first together teaming implemented as part of the late start on 2/5.
- Rounding conversations continue to be productive and worthwhile. Connections and acknowledgements have been well received as well.
- Paraprofessional training specific to Read Act requirements—the third of four sessions was held Friday, 2/5. An additional training for elementary paraprofessionals in Nurtured Heart was also provided Friday. Thanks to Breanne Adickes for supporting the growth for our paraprofessionals.
- Curriculum review for ELA continues with a second vendor presentation on Jan 26. The work has been productive and collaborative. Next steps include