Admin Reports to the Board November 2024

Kyle Luedtke Superintendent	 Recently met individually with the Luck and Siren superintendents about potentially sharing services. Luck has some interest while Siren seemed much more interested. We are going to start meeting monthly. We may invite a few other districts into the conversation. This could be an arrangement to share staff or have the students transported. Both of which have been done in the past. I submitted a proposal to the Lakeland Conference for realignment. Since my submission Clayton has also submitted a proposal. The conference should make a final decision in December. Luke Krueger with the DNR is going to evaluate our school forest. We are on a cycle for tree harvesting to promote proper growth. As I receive more information I will keep the board informed. We own two 80 non-adjacent parcels.
Megan Challoner Elementary Principal	 November 7th and 8th, Ms. Challoner along with Mrs. Weiss attended the National Blue Ribbon School Awards Ceremony in Washington D.C. While at the awards ceremony, they were able to go to sessions and trainings about how to leverage the Blue Ribbon status while still striving for excellence in your school. Our Thematic Unit of "Water, Water, Water" kicked off last Friday. We had a Luau celebration with a beach/picnic lunch, and a dunking of the principal event. Our students are excited for the upcoming events of Rivers are Alive visiting, virtual reality goggles, and a trip to the movie theater to watch Moana 2. Student leaders have helped organize these events and advertisement of upcoming fundraising sales. The Frederic Elementary team hosted representative teachers, administrators and curriculum specialists from Chisago Lakes School District. These guests got to shadow lessons, ask questions and learn from our team about Math. It was a wonderful morning spent collaborating and growing with another district.
Carol Kline 6-12 Principal	 Our Veterans Day Program was held on November 11th. We had a great turn out with 15 local veterans in attendance. The National Honors Society students prepared and presented the presentation about what Veterans Day is and how it came about. We also had two speakers this year; Mr. Douglas Mitchell spoke about how differences between people make us stronger and Mr. Marcus Cornelius spoke about the opportunities the Army provided him and how it set his life on a better path. The LionHeart Experience happened for our students on November 5th. The students were a bit surprised when the artists started Rapping, but as they listened they heard words of encouragement to not let others define who they are, to push for their dreams, and create their own life. As the presenters sang they also painted a mural, connecting it to how each student can paint their own dreams and their own futures. The mural is currently hanging in the commons, just outside the library. Operation Help week just ended. The students had a great time competing against the other grades to raise money for local families in need and for our local food shelf.

Erin Hansford Director of Instruction	 4K-3rd grade teachers and support staff will be participating in a training this week to administer the new state early reading screener, AimsWebPLUS. AimsWebPLUS will be administered with students for the first time in December. Teachers will be triangulating new data within grade level RTI teams at the January 2nd Inservice. Students performing below the 25th percentile have already been assigned a Personal Reading Plan that can include intervention support through RTI, Title I, Title III, Reading Corps, an IEP, and/or summer school programming. A district promotion policy will need to be adopted this spring to address students who have not completed their Personal Reading Plan before transitioning to 4th grade. The district must also provide an intensive summer reading program for students with a Personal Reading Plan.
Jada Anderson Pupil Services Director	 Started an onboarding process with EduClimber with the goal of systematic efficiency district wide. EduClimber can be utilized as a platform to generate reading plans and annual needs assessments for all grade levels. Completed the Crisis Prevention Intervention (CPI) renewal training for being an instructor district wide. CPI is a program that teaches people how to safely de-escalate potentially dangerous situations. Special Education staff will be completing their renewal training at the January 20th inservice to ensure that we are up to date and compliant with state laws. Attended the State Superintendent Conference on Special Education and the WCASS Conference this past month. During each conference, various topics were touched on such as ACT 20, Open Enrollment, Shortened School Days and other legal topics.