



**Elizabeth Ide Elementary School**  
December 2024 Board Report

**Goal One – Learning**

Second graders truly showcased their creativity and hard work during Friday's Balloons Over Broadway parade! Students worked together to design and build a one-of-a-kind float, choosing a theme inspired by the incredible story of Tony Sarg and his iconic balloon creations for the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. From start to finish, the students used their imaginations, collaborated with their peers, and applied what they've learned about art, engineering, and storytelling to bring their visions to life. The floats were proudly displayed in a schoolwide parade, where students walked alongside their creations, sharing their hard work and excitement with friends, teachers, and families. The event was a wonderful celebration of creativity, teamwork, and holiday spirit—truly a great blend of learning and fun for everyone involved!



**Goal Two – Whole Student**

Our school garden flourish thanks to the dedication of Mary Wisdom, her husband, and our amazing students! Together, they nurtured the garden, taught students about gardening, the importance of healthy food, and the joy of giving back to the community. The fresh produce harvested from the garden was generously donated to the Woodridge Food Pantry, providing nutritious food for those in need. We're so grateful for their hard work and commitment to making a positive impact!

### **Goal Three –Environment**

One of the ways we foster a spirit of stewardship and community is by recognizing and honoring the veterans among us. This year, we celebrated Veterans' Day with a heartfelt tribute to those who have served. Team 66 hosted a special breakfast to kick off the day, and our students worked together to create "Thank You Veteran" books, filled with messages of gratitude for each of our veterans. The Elizabeth Ide Lions helped create a meaningful space where veterans felt appreciated and celebrated.

At BACC, students contributed by crafting beautiful Red, White, and Blue paper chains and students in Art created a U.S. flag adorned with their handprints as a symbol of unity and respect. The students also performed a song of gratitude, expressing their appreciation through music. Scouts proudly presented the flag in a moving ceremony, further honoring our veterans' service. To cap off the tribute, a slideshow featured photos of local veterans, accompanied by the voices of our students saying "thank you" in their own words. It was a powerful and moving celebration that reminded us all of the importance of gratitude, community, and service.



**Thank you for your unwavering support.**