## **Board Report**

## 10/3/17

## **Routines and Procedures**

Teachers and students have worked hard this past month establishing routines and procedures to allow for the positive learning environments where everyone knows what to expect and what the expectations are. Pictured here are. Mrs. Anderson in her new music room establishing routines with her students and Kindergarten students who are partner reading and reading to self.







## **Elementary Building Theme: Be Kind**

This year, our school bucket filling theme is "Be Kind". Have you checked out the Kindness videos on Facebook? These have been posted over the past month as students' share what kindness means, times when they were particularly kind to others, and times when others were especially kind to them. We've also started to build our kindness quilt out of kindness recognition slips students enter into our kindness bucket. The quilt can be found in the cafeteria above the tables.

<u>Careers on Wheels</u> – Will be held this Friday, Oct. 6 from 1:00 – 3:00. We currently have 18 vendors participating, but anticipate at least two others who have not responded yet to be present also.



<u>Happiness Advantage</u>: Over half the elementary staff are participating in the Happiness Advantage book study this semester. We have learned of quite a few scientific research experiments that have been completed measuring the differences between setting students and adults who are set-up for experiences and of those who are not. By suggesting participants think of or review the happiest moment of their life prior to the event, far more positive results are recorded than for others who simply experience the event. Many examples have been shared leading to some changes in how we do business in the elementary. Laughter has been heard clearly during our book group sessions as well as throughout the building. Students are given opportunities to increase their positive mindset through videos, positive stories and memories, as well as through specific feedback and belief statements. Some of these practices were present

before. Now, there is greater intention behind these actions.