

Elementary School Board Report

May 2025

We recently honored two amazing staff members from CRES at the Sourcewell Educators of Excellence event. Kelly Schaefer was selected for the Pillar of Excellence award and Jamie Duhn was selected for the Educator of Excellence. These two staff members consistently go above and beyond in their roles, demonstrating an unwavering commitment to supporting their colleagues and our students. Their dedication, positivity, and teamwork contribute significantly to fostering a welcoming and encouraging environment. Their efforts truly embody the core values of our school community.

Our teaching staff has done an outstanding job in completing the OL&LA training, marking a significant milestone in our professional development journey. Last week, we successfully concluded the final state-required literacy training and are now wrapping up the last module in the coming weeks. Many of us, myself included, have completed the full training program, which encompassed live sessions, assessments, writing samples, and a comprehensive portfolio review. I am incredibly proud of the positive attitude and dedication our staff has shown throughout this process, as well as their continued commitment to reflecting on and refining their practice as educators of reading and writing. I am also deeply appreciative of our school district's support and investment in this important work, including the professional learning days that made this achievement possible.

The Ninja Anywhere Course Day was a tremendous success! Our K-6 students thoroughly enjoyed participating in this exciting event, which brought energy and enthusiasm to our school community. We extend our sincere thanks to CLEF and our volunteers for making this experience possible. Many students described it as the "best day ever," making it a truly memorable and meaningful way to celebrate the positive behavior and hard work our students have demonstrated throughout the year.

Respectfully Submitted, *Taylor Demuth*