



Evergreen Elementary School

An Oregon Title 1 School of Merit

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Board Report for Evergreen Elementary School: September 2014-15

Enrollment: 433

K- 22, 22, 23 = 67 students

1st- 27, 28, 28 = 83 students

2nd- 29, 28, 28 = 85 students

3rd- 20, 21, 21 = 62 students

4th- 25, 26, 16(4/5 class) = 67 students

5th- 30, 29, 10(4/5 class) = 69 students

*Part Time Students from Lorna Byrne: 9 students (one Kindergarten, five 1st graders, one 2nd grader, and one 4th grader)

New staff members:

We are very excited to welcome our new staff to the Evergreen Family and they are:

Mrs. Sherie Odom was hired in late September to help with the class sizes in our upper grades. She will have 16 4th graders and 10 5th graders in her class, which will give her a total of 26 students. The grade level teams met to discuss the students that would be selected to begin in this new class on October 6, 2014. Parents were called by the principal to let them know of the changes in their child's classroom assignment. They were told that I know it is difficult to make changes a month into school, that this is what is best for all students to help reduce the class sizes. The new class has been going well the first week.

School News:

We had are back to school night on October 2, 2014 and over 400 people were in attendance. The evening began in the courtyard with families and staff reconnecting over cookies and water. Mr. Regal then invited all parties into the gym for a brief presentation which included staff introductions and a PowerPoint that included Title 1 information, the Evergreen Mission Statement, our school philosophy, 10 ways to help students succeed at home, the daily school schedule, and a thank you to parents for the development in their child; academically, behaviorally, and socially.

On September 25, 2014, we held our first school wide assembly in which the students were introduced to the One World Taiko Drum ensemble:

Taiko means "drum" in Japanese and One World Taiko is a professional Japanese drum ensemble that captivates audiences of all ages with their heart pounding beats, dynamic movement and rhythmic grooves. One World Taiko's music is drawn from Japan's tradition of lively festival drumming along with their own creative rhythms, arrangements and choreography, adding their energetic spirit to the ancient art of taiko.

They perform on drums ranging from the large odaiko, 4 feet by 2.5 feet, to the shimedaiko, the size of a snare drum. Their school performances feature traditional and original compositions interwoven with descriptions of the drums and other instruments and the history of Taiko. During a lively interactive section on how to play, a group of students are invited up to play the Taiko.

The students and staff really enjoyed this assembly and a handful of students were taught how to play the drums in front of the whole school.

PBIS:

On September 26 we had our first school wide PBIS assembly and the theme was Sports Day. During this assembly we recognized students of the month, awarded Edda, our class perfect attendance statue for the month, to Mrs. Griffis's class, reviewed PBIS expectations, and had some Illinois Valley athletes come down and participate in our assembly. The Illinois Valley athletes teamed up with Evergreen students and staff and competed against each other in a soccer goal contest and a basketball shooting contest. This provided some great entertainment for all

participating and observing during these events. Wow, what an amazing kick-off assembly for our school. Our next PBIS assembly will on Thursday, October 30th and the theme is Halloween Hoopla. The day will consist of a PBIS assembly at 8:30- 9:20am with all kids being allowed to wear their costume all day. This day will continue with the Hallo-Read-a-thon, a PTO fundraiser, in which students will be reading books and other activities to help raise money for our school. These funds will help classes go on field trips, sponsor future assemblies, and/or update our playground. If you thought that wasn't enough in one day, you would be missing out on the Illinois Valley High School Homecoming Parade that rolls through our parking lot around 1:20. **What a great way to end the month of October!!!!!!!**

Hopefully everyone has had a great start to the 2014-15 school year. The staff at Evergreen is working countless hours to provide quality instruction and guidance: academically, behaviorally, and socially for all students. Evergreen is an amazing community and we need to continue to work together to provide all students with a great school experience.

Sincerely,

David Regal
Principal
Evergreen Elementary