



Medford Public School
ISD #763

**MEDFORD SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 24, 2016**

MEDFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

OCTOBER 19 – MATH TRAINING / DATA DAY

Go Math - Our second training on our new math series with a Go Math trainer
Data Day – PLC meetings and grade level meetings with me to review current test data.

MEDFORD TIGERS LEGO LEAGUE (www.firstinspires.org)(hightechkids.com)

Medford Elementary joined the First LEGO League. This program is for students in grades 4-6. Students participate in research and design of their own solutions (robots, machines) to a scientific question or problem. Through their participation, children develop valuable life skills and discover exciting career possibilities, while learning that they can make a positive contribution to society.

Students meet with their coach 2 times per week to work on their projects. Potential weekend events and competitions are available. The league ends in December.

ASSESSMENTS – OLPA DECISION

Survey of southeastern MN elementary schools (19 schools)
Administrators were asked if their school would give the OLPA's this year?
4/19 Will give the OLPA's
4/19 Up to grade levels (optional)
11/19 Will not give the OLPA's

The shift is for schools to go to an assessment that is more efficient and effective. Administrators have recognized the toll testing has on students and staff and at the same time recognizing that scores have become less and less trustworthy. More schools are going to Fastbridge or STAR for their benchmarking and growth monitoring tool. Medford Elementary has used STAR for several years but recently upgraded our package to include math.

MATH/STEM NIGHT

November 14th

This is an annual event with a twist. This year the theme will include STEM. The 6th grade will be presenting their math Carnival in the small gym and the LEGO league team will present/practice in the cafeteria. Many other games and activities will be available for families to participate in.

FALL CONFERENCES

99+% attendance

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

TIGER CLUB UPDATE

49 students enrolled – A few a.m. openings

PRE-SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

A – 15/15, B – 13/18, C – 17/18