



NEW BERLIN ELEMENTARY

Let's go Pretzels!

December 2024 Board Report

TO: NBCUSD #16 Board of Education, Mrs. Jill Larson, Superintendent

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Pretzel Positives

Student Shout Outs

- i-Ready goal setting underway and students are performing well
- i-Ready goal setting structure (individualized) being embraced by students (ownership)
- Christmas activities have been fun and measured / student behavior commendable
- Donating heavily to the Student Council Food Drive

Staff Shout Outs

- Ms. Barrett's concert series underway and doing well!
- Mrs. Parlee and extended nursing staff for handling our illnesses, injuries, medicine dispersal, vision and hearing screening
- Donnie Edwards for preparing periodic safety documents for parents (traffic / weather safety / etc.)
- 4th Grade Team for a well run, efficient, fun, parent-inclusive Gingerbread House event

School Improvement

Climate and Culture

- Making each day matter / maximizing on task time at researched based intervals
- Aim small, miss small - avoiding emotional, hyperbolic responses in professional settings
- Team first (and the kids are the most important members of the team)
- SEL Feedback - we have met our Spring Goal already!

Pretzel Learning for Staff

- Creating a master list of non-negotiables for Math and ELA instruction
- Extended response observations and feedback - Dr. Weber - Grades 3,4,5
- Using ambassador design for sharing non-negotiables with grade below/above
- Backwards Design for Writing Curriculum

Administrative PD

- Evaluwise - strategic scripting and domain coverage
- i-Ready Progress Monitoring relation to Benchmark Testing / Comparison to SAVVAS
- Ed Leaders Network - Incorporating State Mandated Training / Schedule Releases

Community Engagement

- PTO - Cookies with Santa
- Elementary Student Attendance at Extracurriculars beginning to grow (looking for salty dough:)
- Pre-K volunteers - running a craft station / reading a book / playing games