OES Principal's Report – October 17, 2012

Enrollment as of 10-09-2012:

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EE—2
PRE-K—58
KINDER—63
1<sup>ST</sup>—64
2<sup>ND</sup>—72
3<sup>RD</sup>—61
4<sup>TH</sup>—64
5<sup>TH</sup>—63
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TOTAL---447

School newsletters were sent home on Friday, October 5th. First six weeks reports cards went out on Wednesday, October 10th.

Students with perfect attendance and A & B honor roll students were recognized on the 14th.

Miss Parker, our Counselor, arranged for our students to participate in several activities throughout this month:

Bully Awareness Week-Both Teachers and the Counselor focused on activities related to bullying prevention. Students were encouraged to wear blue to show support for preventing this issue. Follow up activities have been planned to address this issue again in the spring.

Red Ribbon Week- Students will participate in fun activities in celebration of a drug-free lifestyle. In conjunction with those activities, the Sherriff's Department will present information to our students on the 23rd. Additionally, representatives for the Permian Basin Drug/Alcohol Abuse Council will give out information concerning the potential harm of illicit drug use.

This six weeks instructional focus is on lesson planning and determining strategies for intervention. With the increase of rigor and the concentration on higher-level thinking strategies; more time is needed to study specific strategies that encourage inference, transferring knowledge, and the critical analysis of information. Our teachers are meeting with parents during their conference periods to help facilitate an understanding of the new STAAR tests and the readiness standards that will now be tested.