Board of Trustees Valley Mills Independent School District

AGENDA ITEM: D-2 DATE: October 15, 2014

SUBJECT: Campus Spotlight - Valley Mills Elementary School

COMMUNICATION/REPORTS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The elementary campus has implemented Professional Learning Communities (PLC's) this year. The model can vary greatly, but typically the attributes include collaboration, structured time to work together in planning instruction, reviewing data, and sharing feedback. What makes a PLC difficult to define is that it is not a prescription, a new program, a model, or an innovation to be implemented. Rather, a PLC is an infrastructure or a way of working together that results in continuous school improvement. When implemented successfully and consistently, PLC's are a powerful staff development approach and a potent strategy for school change and improvement.

The campus spotlight time is an opportunity to highlight initiatives that are contributing to our goals and objectives. We will have teachers from the elementary campus share information about PLC's to include their experiences with the process.

RECOMMENDATION:

This report has been presented for your information only. No formal action is required or necessary at this time.

Judi Whitis, Superintendent