

**Manistee Intermediate School District
Director Report**

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Below is a report of progress on our goals, for this month, as they relate to my program. Note highlighted areas for desired action or key dates to remember.

Manistee ISD will provide services

that will improve teaching and learning:

- I have been meeting with the supervisor of early childhood at WMISD. We are in the process of reviewing our services to the 0-6 aged population, specifically Early On (0-3) and ECSE (3-6). Our intent is to look at how we are presently serving this group and to look at ways to more efficiently and effectively provide the services. I will be meeting with our Early On and Pre-School staff to discuss these possible changes and give them an opportunity for input. Our administrative group, from both ISD's, will be meeting the middle of March, to map a course of action and the direction we would like to take, based on best practices.
- From Brooke: We were invited to participate in the annual Paczki eating contest at Glens (please see article from paper). We had 6 older MOCI students participate. We also had one of our bus aides represent us as a school district. We agreed to participate as a community outing. We had no idea that there were monetary prizes involved for winning. To our surprise, when we were finished we walked away with \$350.00 to go towards our classrooms. Our students had a wonderful time and were so proud to earn some money for their classroom.
I hosted a Valentines Day Luncheon and it was attended by all of our classrooms as well as a handful of itinerant staff, business office staff and 1 board member...thank you Linda for attending and thank you Mary Becker Witt for sending Valentine cards in for all of our students on behalf of the Board Of Education.
Jake's older crew had a sledding party and the students and staff had the time of their lives....see classroom newsletter.

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The bid process for the insulation project at the Parkdale building is in progress. The ads went in the paper this week. There is a bid meeting scheduled for next Thursday. The bids will be in by March 12th. The work will be completed during the two weeks following July 4th. I will keep you informed of the bids and timelines.