

Community Education Director Report

February 25th, 2019

Community Education

1. Classes/Programs/General info
 - a. Next brochure deadline: April 1st, brochure comes out in mailboxes May 3rd.
 - b. New Classes: Enrollment for our two professional cooking classes are almost sold out! Professional Appetizers and Decadent Desserts. Thank you to Matt Annand from Three Cheers Hospitality for taking the time to incorporate his talents into our community education programming! Beginner Yoga is a 6 week program through Uplifted Wellness where anyone can learn the basics of yoga and mindfulness.
2. Grants/Donations/Finances
 - a. We received \$1310 from Crow Wing Energized for Student Wellness at the elementary school to implement a program to train teachers on how to use yoga and mindfulness to reduce student behavior in the classroom and lower levels of stress.
 - b. We also received another \$450 from Crow Wing Energized for Staff Wellness to help create a breastfeeding/pumping room at the high school as well as purchase weights or resistance bands to start offering staff exercise classes before and after school.
 - c. CLEF is granting \$900 towards our Destination Imagination program as well as the Deerwood Fire Department also granted \$500 towards our Destination Imagination program. This will cover our costs for regional tournaments and allow our participants to wear matching shirts at the tournament as well.
3. Online Registration
 - a. Payschools Events has been purchased. We plan to implement it for summer course registration.
4. Ranger Care
 - a. Ranger Care is in the process of creating new 'station' programming to include:STEM activities(Including engineering, sciences and learning Spanish)
5. Pre-School Update
 - a. A written proposal was submitted to administration with programming changes that we would like to make in the Pre-School wing. We are hoping to move forward in the process after reviewing finances and have a decision on programming by February 28th.
6. Community Connection
 - a. Community Education is working with the Courier to provide a promotional item in the 'new resident' gift bag that will be given out to new residents in our area to help promote our programming.
 - b. Community Education and the Hallett Center are having conversations about how to merge programs and incorporate strategies for both organizations that

could potentially build programming and increase enrollment to both of our programs. Exciting ideas are in the works!

- c. Community Education is now part of the Cuyuna Range Medical Center Wellness program, specifically their Activity committee and is working with them on a Crow Wing wide wellness challenge that will be giving out a \$2,000 travel voucher! Keep your eyes open for information about the March the Mississippi walking challenge!
- d. Community Education has also joined our district's Wellness Committee and will be utilizing the grants from Crow Wing Energized to help with some of the following activities:
 - i. Student Wellness through mindfulness and yoga at CRES
 - ii. Staff Wellness through group exercise, stress reduction techniques and some items will be purchased to help create a breastfeeding/pumping room at the high school. One has already been established at CRES.
- e. Jill Matson from Uplifted Wellness will be providing the training for the student wellness program at CRES. I want to thank her for her willingness to support this program and continue to focus on wellness in our community!