Report to the School Board

April 14, 2025

By Elementary School Principal Dave Riebel

Strategic Priority 1: Student Success

• Kindergarten Registration Night:

It was great to welcome the class of 2038! On March 10, the annual Kindergarten Registration night brought in our future kindergarteners and their families to get excited for next year! Happy to have them join the Cardinal family!



• Elementary Carnival

The carnival sign said Games, Food, Prizes and that was delivered! Fun for kids of all sizes and their parents! A huge thanks to the P.L.A.Y. group and all volunteers for the planning and help with the event.



Reading Night



Book Bingo was the fun theme for reading night at the Elementary. All student attendees chose one new book on entry and played Bingo for the opportunity to win more! All that fun in addition to a pizza supper for the family! A thank you to the PLAY group for their generous donations and volunteers for the evening. Thanks also to the many staff volunteers that helped make the night flow. The big shout out to Ms. Ostrander for the planning and preparation of the Book Bingo evening!

March LA-CARES assembly

Our March assembly highlighted a month of focus on E for empathy. Adding to that highlight was special guests and a presentation from Abby of River Valley Raptors. Abby presented three raptors for us to learn about and from. Abby had some great connections to how we can use our LA CARES in the great outdoors.



Strategic Priority 2: Effective Staffing

• Read Act Phase One training wrap up

All members of the elementary staff who teach reading, as well as the district intervention and special education staff participated in nine modules of training over the 24-25 school year. Staff worked to finish those modules and present their learning portfolios during the March 31 professional day.

Strategic Priority 3: Finance

• Thank you for the support!

Our Elementary School students, staff and parents extend a thank you to the Cardinal Foundation for the support of our annual field trips. The foundation will assist in the coverage of the registration fees and transportation costs for K-5 field trips. We thank you for supporting these memory making, learning opportunities!

• Elementary program informational files:

Attached with the report of two files to provide enrollment and assessment information for our elementary school.

Strategic Priority 4: Facilities

• User group feedback

Elementary office staff, kindergarten staff and classroom teachers rotated into user group meetings with the team from InGensa and ISG Engineering to preview and plan for building renovations.

Strategic Priority 5: Community Engagement



Fools Five Assembly

Our Elementary School traditional Fools Five assembly added excitement to our Friday morning. Again this year, our student council put out the challenge to our elementary students and families to raise \$3000 within the Fools Five cancer research drive. If they beat that mark, Mr. Schmaltz wears a costume for the weekend. This years chosen costume was The Lorax! A special addition to the motivation behind this years fundraising was a pledge by Gracie and Natalie Mehling. Mrs Mehling and daughter Gracie will donate

"Locks for Love" for all donations above \$3,000. For every \$1,000 above our goal, 1 inch of hair will be donated for cancer patients in need of wigs during their treatments. After that build up, when the donations were counted, another unbelievable accomplishment is revealed today. The total turned in by K-6 students totaled \$13,980!!