

## ***Teaching, Learning & Relevance***

### **Current Work**

- Mid-year Spotlight - [TMS Scorecard 2023-24](#)
- Continued work with our 6-8 content teams
  - ELA continues to work with the District Literacy Team on their selecting curriculum materials for next year
  - Math has started a book study with 6-12 staff to begin the process of a math curriculum review
- Continued professional development with ELA/Math/SPED with our co-teaching/co-planning work
- Continued work with our BLT around building level initiatives

## ***Whole Student***

### **Current Work**

- Grade level challenge
  - On January 29th we did a building wide Rock, Paper, Scissors challenge with students and staff during TEAM time. Each grade level got to a winner that went into a super showdown. The championship match featured a staff member versus the 8th grade champ. Our overall school winner was our 8th grade contestant. All grade level winners received a prize from our Hatchet Store and the overall champ got a picture taken with our Rock, Paper, Scissors trophy and an additional prize.
- Therapy dog opportunity
  - We are very excited to be bringing a new opportunity to the middle school for our students. Starting this month, we are going to be contracting with Zenner Up North Kennels to bring in trained and certified therapy dogs for our students to work with during ELA class. Students will be able to sign-up for 15 minute time slots and read with a therapy dog in the LMC. We are starting this program with the 7th grade ELA students and one therapy dog. We are going to assess the need and interest of our students with this program. We are hoping that the response to this program will be “paws-itive” and then we will be looking to expand this opportunity to other grade levels in the middle school and also bring in additional dogs to accommodate more students.
- ACP
  - Air Force Presentation to the 8th grade students

## ***Communication & Community Engagement***

### **Current Work**

- [TMS February Newsletter](#)
- Spring Parent/Teacher Conferences
  - Format for in-person parent/teacher conferences on Feb. 8th will be a drop-in format
  - Development of a 6-12 committee for a “Spring Showcase” for the 2024-25 school year

## ***District Workforce***

### **Current Work**

- TMS Staff Spotlight - February
  - [Katie Pintens](#)
  - [Emily Bertagnoli](#)
- TMS Building Leadership team
  - Continued meetings to work on building level initiatives and get feedback for district level work
- TMS Staff Team Building
  - Feb. 2nd we had a social activity that was rescheduled due to inclement weather in January.

