



Medford Public School
ISD #763



Medford High School

School Board Report

February 2017

1. Recognition
 - Teacher of the month is Kevin Werk
2. Busy students
 - One-Act Play qualified for the section competition
3. Recent Teacher Professional Development
 - Improving Student Achievement and Success
 - i. Katelynn Dub, Emily O'Connell, Sara Olson, Rebecca Mohr, and Kim Goblirsch attended a conference on student engagement in ELA classes
 - ii. Chris Ovrebo continues to attend quarterly Principal's Academy Workshops – recent topics have included effective teacher evaluation and coaching, building effective teams, and supporting EL students
 - Building Positive School Culture
 - i. Andy Kaspar, Katelynn Dub, Emily O'Connell, Jordan Skelton, and Joe Melles attended a conference on positive classroom management strategies
 - ii. Sara Olson, Rebecca Mohr, Patrick Shipway, and Cassie Tegmeier attended a growth mindset workshop
 - Supporting Excellent Programs
 - i. Amanda Lannoye attended a conference on strategies for teaching world languages
 - ii. Tim Larson and Lisa Hoefs attended the MN Ag Teachers Technology Conference in January
 - Supporting Extra Curricular Activities
 - i. Softball coaches attended the National Softball Coaches Conference
 - ii. Track Coaches attended the MN track Coaches Clinic in January
 - iii. Football Coaches attended the Glazier Foot
 - Teachers who attend workshops and conferences share what they have learned with their PLC's and share at faculty meetings. Some teams also return to present to the staff during designated staff development time. Each teacher is expected to seek out professional development to help grow in their TDE goal area and in the goal areas we have identified as a school.

4. Assessment Update

- ACT+ Writing is scheduled for February 28th
- Students are setting goals and working on rewards for MCA tests
- MCA testing will begin on April 3rd and continue through May 5th

5. English Curriculum Update

- ELA teachers met with Kathy Hartman and vertically aligned ELA curriculum from 5th grade through 12th grade. A lot of great work was done to make sure everyone agreed on key skills students needed to master before advancing to the next grade.
- Sample materials have been delivered and have started to be reviewed by the teachers. Additional time will be set aside to review the material before a final selection is made in May.