

WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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TO: Three Rivers School District Board of Directors

FROM: Williams Elementary School

Principal, Ms. Michelle Sesock

RE: First Trimester Board Briefing

DATE: November 4, 2010

ENROLLMENT

K	-	10
1	-	14
2	-	10
3	-	13
4	-	18
5	-	12

Part time students - 1 Total Current Enrollment - 78

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS-21st Century Grant

Williams Elementary School is a part of the 21st Century Grant that provides an afterschool academic and enrichment program. Beginning in September students were provided with an early morning Homework Help Session. This morning session occurs daily and is open to all students who need assistance with their homework. Our first Afterschool Academic and Enrichment session began on October 11, 2010 and will run through November 18, 2010. Students were offered a nutritious afterschool snack along with a one hour time for homework study help and academic lessons that are designed to enhance the skills the students are learning in class. A one hour enrichment activities follows the academic enrichment time. Courses include a variety of class such as: gardening, beading, leather making, arts and crafts, and cooking are offered after the academic class.

HOLIDAY PROGRAM

You are cordially invited to our annual Holiday Program entitled "A Holiday Moosical". Join the entire school for a fun filled musical evening on Thursday, December 16th at 7:00pm in the school gym. All students K-5th including an all star cast of 3rd through 5th grade students will sing, dance, and perform their way into the hearts of family and community members. This program is funded through our Jog-a-thon dollars. This event includes an invitation to the Williams Community.

JOG-A-THON

On October 14th Williams Elementary School held our largest fundraiser of the year, our annual Jog-a-thon. This was a very successful Jog-a-thon thanks to the many family and community members who have continued to help support this annual fund raiser. To date our students have pledged approximately \$6,500. The funds from the Joga-a-thon are used to for classroom field trips and enrichment programs, including our annual holiday program.





LATE STARTS

At our September 24th Late Start staff meeting went over the following items:

- Sensible Math Personal Learning Communities
- PBIS review
- Math Standards-Kagan strategy

At our October 28th Late Start staff meeting staff went over the following items:

- Sensible Math PLC's Chapters 1 & 2
- Schoolwide PBIS
- Facts of the Day-Jim Kriz

OPEN HOUSE

Williams Elementary School held our annual Open House Night on Thursday, September 23rd. Students, parents, and staff were treated to a BBQ cooked by Michael Morris. We had over 120 people attend Open House. After the BBQ parents were invited to visit their student's classrooms and meet the teachers. Students displayed their weekly work and art projects.

MUSIC PROGRAM

Guitar and Violin classes taught by Warren Whistler are underway with 32 students participating in beginning and intermediate lessons. This program is being funded with money raised during our annual Spring Concert, community and business donations, grants, and with a small one time tuition fee for students attending the program.

PBIS

Williams Elementary continues to use school wide PBIS throughout the school day. Continuing with our Pioneer Pride Program, students earn Pioneer Pride tickets for displaying good use of their lifeskills. Classrooms will have individual PBIS celebrations throughout the year and each month students are rewarded and recognized for their good behavior.

SAFETY

September and October were accident free months for Williams Elementary School. We strive to maintain this accident free record by continuing to hold monthly safety meetings to discuss any safety issues. We also regularly conduct a walk-through to visually inspect our site.

SITE COUNCIL

At our September 16th site council meeting members discussed the following items:

- 21st Century Grant/Afterschool Programs-Morning Homework hour
- PBIS Celebrations and Activities
- New Council Members Elected
- Reviewed draft of School Improvement Plans

At our October 28th site council meeting members discussed the following items:

- PBIS Activity Updates
- Afterschool Programs
- School Improvement Plans

SMART

The SMART reading program began in October and is a rewarding experience for both the students and the volunteers. Students are excited to read with their SMART volunteers and look forward to their weekly visits.

ACTIVITIES FROM SEPTEMBER THROUGH NOVEMBER

Field Trips:

In October Mrs. Bingham's 4th/5th grade students visited Crater Lake National Park as a follow up to classroom units on Geography, Geology and Biology. Also in October both Mrs. Wardle's 3rd/4th grade and Mrs. Bingham's 4th/5th grade students visited the White Oak Farm. Tim Franklin from the Williams Watershed visited classrooms to speak about the water shed and salmon lifestyle, habitat, and viewing. Both classes will visit the Williams creek to view the salmon spawning.

All School Hat Day:

All students at Williams Elementary celebrated a special day thanks to Joanne Worth and the Williams hat ladies. On October 26th students were able to pick out hand made knitted winter hats donated by these loving ladies of Williams. This event occurs every year as a school/community project fostering relationships between school and community.

WILLIAMS HAT DAY, OCTOBER 26, 2010





