Site Report – Tanalian Lynx – for March 2019

To: Superintendent Ty Mase LPSD School Board Members

From: Nate Davis, Principal

Outstanding Activities and Events

- Lady Lynx Basketball: a hard-working young squad had a great season, earned the #2 Seed for Regionals, and finished 3rd.
- Men's Basketball: The Lynx earned the #2 seed heading into Regionals, and finished 3rd.

 We are so proud of their great seasons of sportsmanship and hard work, with best wishes to our seniors: Lizzy Fowler, Tamrah Taff, Evan Wardell and Trevor McGee.



• Thank you to all the Lynx fans who watched from afar or traveled to cheer. Parents, grandparents, alumni, and community members pictured here, gathered to watch the livestream:



Personnel

- We are excited to report that all teachers signed up to return to Tanalian School for the 19-20 school year! We love our great team of educators.
- Former teacher Abbey Wells has been doing a great job helping with interventions in her role as a tutor. She has been great with kids and also helps out in many other ways.



 Congratulations and thank you to our basketball coaches, Sarah Hummel and Willie Nickols, for sacrificing so much and leading our teams well, both in playing the game and growing in character.

Standards Based System/Curriculum Progress

- Our focus this year is catching up our Math scores (65% proficient) with our ELA scores (75% proficient), in addition to helping each individual student grow in proficiency in every subject with appropriate interventions.
- Several students passed End Levels and Writing Prompts in March, with many others making good annual progress with expectations to pass in April. Some students are behind in passing levels in Technology, Employability, or Cultural Awareness, but as their core subjects come to a close with Proficient scores or better, they will have more time to devote to the PEP courses.

Technology Progress

- Teachers all received iPads and some are eagerly exploring how to create more learning and teaching other teachers what they have discovered.
- Teachers are enjoying training and practicing with LAN school, which allows them to better use student laptops as instructional tools and to better monitor student use. During the transition to LAN School, some parents expressed concern that their distance course students were too locked down to do their research. We are monitoring the situation.

Facility Update

• Our facility is still in great shape, but needs a few more fix-its from wear and tear each year. Shane discovered that the large speakers mounted on the gym ceiling had cracked the rafter anchor after too many ball hits. He fastened the safety cables and is designing a better mounting system.

LSAC Activity

 PTA LSAC continues to meet monthly and gives support of and advice to school programs. See LSAC minutes for full detail.

Volunteer Report

• A huge thank you to Ellie Zimmerman for her valuable volunteer service to Tanalian Student Government and the school. She designed and created a mobile coffee shop which is open three mornings a week at school and also open for special events at school when relevant.

Professional Development

• We have focused March PD time on PEAKS training for teachers.

Pupil Attendance

• PTA dropped in attendance rates in March due to two different sicknesses and families going on vacation.

Student and Staff Safety

• We continue to warn and instruct students to wear reflectors when traveling to/from school and to obey all traffic precautions! At least twice a year we review all of our school safety drills (earthquake, shelter-in-place, lockdown, and evacuate, etc.) in addition to our monthly Fire Drill.

Subsistence Calendar

• Teachers and students are still pushing quickly through standards as they experience our shortened school year and feeling the pressure to be done in April.

Other Mr. Hummel's before-school hockey crew, working on their wellness, fitness, self-control, and teamwork.

