Interim Directors Report 7-12-21

Both Programs

Agreements are almost complete! We have been applying new pay scales, which will include information with agreement. We have been looking at duty day or core hours, and changing a few job descriptions. Sorry for the delay.

We will truly miss Jill Arendt. We have greatly appreciated her leadership. She is an incredibly talented person with a wealth of knowledge! We wish her great things on her next adventure!

Over the rest of the summer we will be working hard on the Osprey Wilds charter contract renewal application. Please keep an eye out for us to make requests for info and respond as soon as possible. The application is due on September 15.

Some technology funds may be available to us through the FCC Connectivity Fund. Jennifer Miller has begun work on the application.

Seat Based

Mindy Glazier is moving into the Kindergarten Teaching position. Congratulations Mindy!

Due to the change in responsibilities and vision of the Nursing position, there's been discussion about changing the title to coordinator. Joe Aliperto stated in a meeting that there should be one person with the title of Director, and others could be called Coordinator or something similar to that. This would affect current titles of Technology, Food Service, Nursing and Health Services.

The PTO fundraiser garage sale was very successful! Thank you for all of the hard work to the PTO and others who donated time and stuff! Over \$4,000 was raised during this event!

A HUGE thank you to the Crosslake/Lions Club. They gave a generous \$2,500 donation to our school which will be used for a new podium and noise reducing panels in the fishbowl.

Please note that the Return to Safe Learning Plan has been posted on our website, as it was stated that it must be posted by June 14, 2021. The changes include wording such as "as recommended" and "as required" by MDE, CDC. This has also been submitted to the state as an application requirement for ESSER 3 money.

We are narrowing in on the summer horticulture intern. There's been lots of fine tuning, so we keep moving forward.

Online

We received many applicants for the Social Studies/Learning Coach and PE/Health Positions. We will be interviewing for these positions the weeks of July 12-19.

This has been a busy time with MDE reporting. We have submitted the annual supplemental data report and the Required Annual Data Report, and the Annual Update Assurances is due July 15 (they sound the same, but they are 3 different reports!). We also submitted the CEIS application for the school which supports us with early intervention services.

The potential agreement with Three Rivers Montessori is on hold this year. They determined that while they would be interested in working with us, they don't have the capacity to provide the special education services that would be required for the very small group of students they would have on site. We hope to work with them or other schools in this capacity, in the future, and will look into the possibility of marketing this service.

Summer School: We had a 3-week long term focused on credit recovery for students who did not pass a core class. 69% of the participating students received a passing grade and credit. We will need to evaluate our approach this year and consider in the future whether three weeks is sufficient time to get through a course.