

Howard Valentine School

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Date: April 22, 2016

To: SISD School Board

From: Colter W. Barnes, Principal & Greenhouse Manager

RE: Howard Valentine Administrative Report for April 2016

<u>Student Count:</u> We currently have 14 students enrolled at Howard Valentine School; 1 preschooler, 2 kindergarteners, 2 fourth graders, 2 fifth graders, 1 sixth grader, 2 eighth graders, 1 freshman, 2 sophomores, and 1 junior.

<u>Update:</u> The elementary and middle school science students have started and grown approximately 200 tomato and pepper plants for intended sales in the surrounding communities. They are just now ready to ship.

They have also started 800 heads of lettuce each week for the past 3 weeks looking towards a mid-June maturation. They have also spent time learning of the water system, and learning to test the water for aquaponic purposes.

Students have been working on bridges for the bridge building contest for STEM week. They also hope to wrap up on some rockets in time for that competition as well. Others are excited to perform in the talent show.

In US History class, students have been studying the rise to power of Adolph Hitler. They have also been learning of the use of propaganda from many sources during World War II.

5 students are excited and preparing to go to the National Archery competition.

Naukati Board Report April 2016

Submitted by: Jessica Goldman, Lead Teacher

- 1. Four students, Keane, and Sarah are planning a three-day kayaking trip from May 5-7th near Naukati as a capstone for our wilderness skills class.
- 2. Naukati is sending three students to archery nationals in Kentucky from May 9-17th. We are very proud of our archers and know they will have a great experience.
- 3. The elementary school students will be going to Ketchikan for the weekend on May 6-8th. We will be going to the totem museum and going roller-skating.
- 4. Stream Team with Cheryl Fecko and US Forest Service. On May 18th, Keane's class will be taking a trip to study water quality and aquatic habitats with Cheryl Fecko and Stream Team. We're looking forward to learn more about water ecosystem health on Prince of Wales.
- 5. On May 19th, we will be hosting the Native Youth Olympics (from 10:00-11:30) and an indigenous society / wilderness skills presentation (12:15-2:30). The elementary class will lead the NYO games. The secondary students will present on indigenous societies that they have studied for a school project, then lead groups in an atylatyl (spear-throwing) contest as well as teaching people how to make a fire with a bow-drill. Students / adults of all ages are welcome.
- 6. Seattle. Four secondary students are taking a field trip to Seattle from May 22-25th. We plan on visiting the Pacific Science Center, botanical gardens, studying cultural foods at Pike's Food Market, as well as tour downtown and some other activities.
- 7. We hosted 65 people for Phlight club over the weekend.

Continuing Projects

We will have at least one more edition of the Naukati Howler, with some QR Code project videos, upcoming soon.

We will be working on our school beautification project: our playground will be fenced in, our school garden boxes will get built and the goat shed will be completed the 2nd week in May.

The elementary school students are hatching butterflies and ladybugs in the classroom.

We had a visit from Karen Peterson from the local 4h club who brought seeds and pots to begin growing plants and foods that the students choose.

Kasaan Board Report April 2016 Shane Scamahorn

Things are exciting and happening at Kasaan. The students are happy and engaged in all of the things going on in the school.

We have been out kayaking and exercising with walks to the long house.

The students are looking forward to STEM Week and participating in the events that it has to offer.

Our students are very excited for the water bottle rockets, archery competitions, and the climbing wall.

We have 3 students that will be attending the national archery tournament next month. They are busy preparing and fund raising for the event and look forward to this huge opportunity.

We are also in the process of collecting funds to reimburse Thorne Bay ASC for the student travel due to sports and other activities from our site budget.

Our ASC has approved a proposal to help support students with their financial commitments by paying 2/3 of the costs per sport from the site budget and ASC funds.