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SAC Report to North Slope School Board

Students:

Currently, Meade River School serves 82 students.

ECE 3 = 10	2 nd = 4	6 th = 5	9 th = 5
ECE 4 = 6	3 rd = 7	7 th = 2	$10^{th} = 7$
K = 7	4 th = 6	8 th = 4	11 th = 2
1 st = 7	5 th = 5		12 th = 6

Meade River School was excited to receive three transfer students from Barrow. One student returned to Barrow when the schools went into the medium risk, yellow and we are happy the other two have remained with us.

We are also excited that all 6 of our seniors are on track to graduate on May 8th. This will be the second year in a row for Meade River School to have 100% graduation rate.

Activities:

Our students are excited to be participating in volleyball. Eleven of our twenty-one high school students attend some of the practices with six students faithfully attending. Those six students may be traveling to Barrow to play our other 1A teams.

While it has been sad to have the majority of the year without sport competitions, we are very thankful that the funds were able to be used to purchase equipment. This allowed us to purchase new volleyball poles and net. This will replace our existing set that we received used from Barrow High School several years ago.

Little Eagles basketball started last Saturday. A total of 40 students participate in the fun. Our 1st through 6th graders participate and our 7th and 8th graders help coach and referee the games. The City of Atqasuk sponsors the program and the funds have been used to purchase jerseys, balls, and two drop-down baskets. These attach to the existing basket and provide a backboard and basket that is two feet lower than the standard hoop. It is great to see 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders making baskets!







Our Robotics Club has completed the season with junior and middle school robotics. Our junior robotics had 20 participants and middle school had 15. This year the program we use to code the robots is closer to what the robotics industry uses and the students picked up the new programming quickly. We are very thankful to the City of Atqasuk who sponsors us. They help pay for our robots and support materials.

Academics:

The transition from half-day school when we were yellow to full-day school now that we are green has been great. Students are excited to again have their morning and lunch recess and PE times. A few students have expressed that they liked the half-day better due to the smaller classes, but they quickly add it's great having PE again. The transition did require re-learning of classroom rules and procedures with all the movement throughout the school again.

Our COVID slide was not as wide spread as we had feared. A comparison of the Winter 2020 to the Fall 2020 MAP tests showed 51 students in grades 2nd-12th taking 3 tests each, 107 tests had the same or higher RIT. Only 46 scores slid with lower scores: 11 in reading, 11 in language usage, and 24 in math. Out of the 46 slides, when tested in January of 2021, 9 slides recovered leaving 37 still behind where they were in Winter 2020. We did not look at our 1st graders when evaluating the COVID slide as the comparison looks at their kindergarten scores when a teacher sat with them to teach how to take the test. While the low number of slides are great news, we still have work to do:

Positive Outlook:	Growth Outlook:	
84% of students showed growth between the	16% of students did not show growth between	
Fall 2020 and Winter 2021 tests	the Fall 2020 and Winter 2021 tests	
18 of 58 students in grades 1st-12th were at or	40 out of 58 students in 1st-12th grade are	
above the grade level norm in one or more	below the grade level norms in one or more	
course areas Winter 2021	course areas Winter 2021	
8 students are at or above grade level norm in	50 students are below grade level norm in	
language usage	language usage	
11 students are at or above grade level norm in	47 students are below grade level norm in	
reading	reading	
15 students are at or above grade level norm in	43 students are below grade level norm in	
math	math	

Our teacher communications with families resulted in great attendance during our PEAKS testing and only one student to make-up. Unfortunately, we did have four students chronically absent two remain on our roster and two were recently dropped as they now reside in other villages but have not transferred.

Celebrations:

On March 25th we finally had our Open House! It was great having families back in the school. Everyone enjoyed a great dinner with special deserts made by our Culinary Arts class. Teachers displayed student work for everyone to see, including pictures of the North Slope Science class digging snow caves. Students also enjoyed showing their families the work they do with the robots.

Special Mention:

Our M&O staff are an amazing group of people. Their continued dedication to the safety of our students is what keeps our school running.