

Homedale Elementary School Memo



To: Homedale Board of Trustees, Superintendent Rob Sauer
From: Tate B. Castleton, Principal
Date: December 5, 2022
Re: Report to Board of Trustees

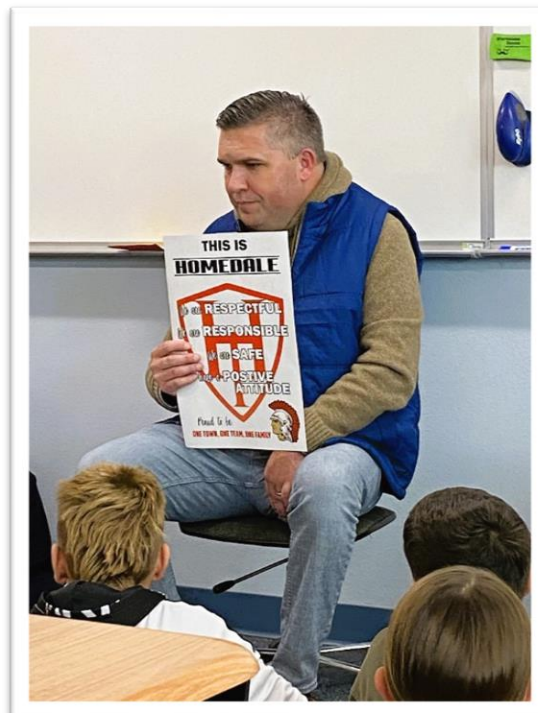
HES STAFF FOCUS ON PHONOLOGICAL AND PHONEMIC AWARENESS: Recently we welcomed Rosie Santana, a literacy and ELL expert and former school administrator, to train our staff on Heggerty, a research-based supplementary curriculum we are using to strengthen our efforts to teach, practice, and master phonological and phonemic awareness. Both teachers and paraprofessionals attended the three-hour training last Friday during our teacher in-service time.



VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY AT HES: It was a thrill for HES to welcome veterans, families, and other members of the public to our first Veterans Day Assembly since before the COVID-19 pandemic! It was a packed house, but students and patrons alike enjoyed a wonderful music concert put on by our music teacher, Mrs. Paula Allen, and our students!



CLASSROOM CHATS FOCUSED ON “THE HOMEDALE WAY”: Dr. Castleton was back in classrooms this month focusing on “The Homedale Way.” Students were encouraged to be respectful, responsible, safe, and to always have a positive attitude! Each month, HES focuses on a different expectation. In November, students focused on “Respect.” In December, we’ll be focusing on having a “Positive Attitude.”



UPCOMING EVENTS:

December 21-31st	Christmas Break
January 12 th	Family STEAM Night
January 16 th	NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 20 th	Staff In-Service