

Streator Elementary School District 44

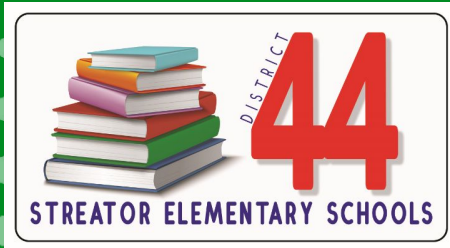
Regular Board of
Education Meeting
& Budget Hearing

Date: Tuesday, September 24, 2025

Time: 5:00 PM

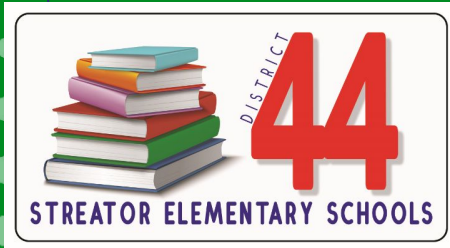
Location: Northlawn Junior High School Cafeteria



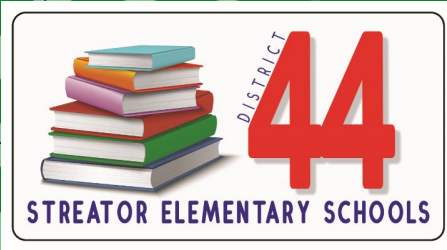


Closed Session

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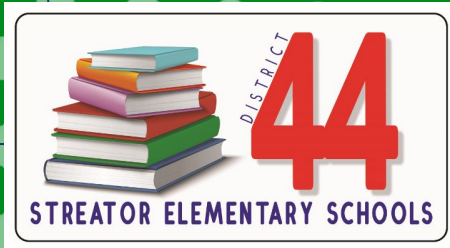
Budget Hearing



Financial Snapshot

- Total Projected Revenue: \$25,789,191
- Total Projected Expenditures: \$24,836,653
- Projected Net Surplus (All Funds): \$952,538

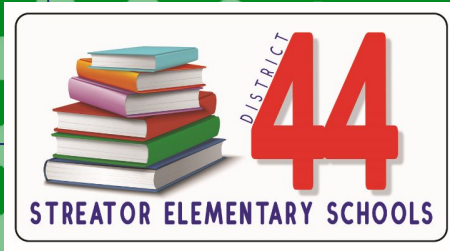




Revenue

- The district anticipates receiving nearly \$25.8 million in total revenue, primarily from these sources:
 - State Sources: \$13,597,093 (53%)
 - Local Sources: \$7,824,433 (30%)
 - Federal Sources: \$4,367,665 (17%)



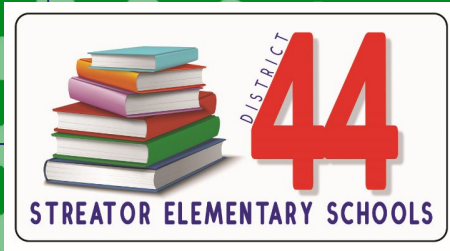


Expenditures

Proposed expenditures total over \$24.8 million, with the largest portion dedicated to staff and services:

- Salaries & Benefits: \$16,517,946 (66%)
- Purchased Services: \$4,157,978 (17%)
- Supplies and Materials: \$1,711,145 (7%)

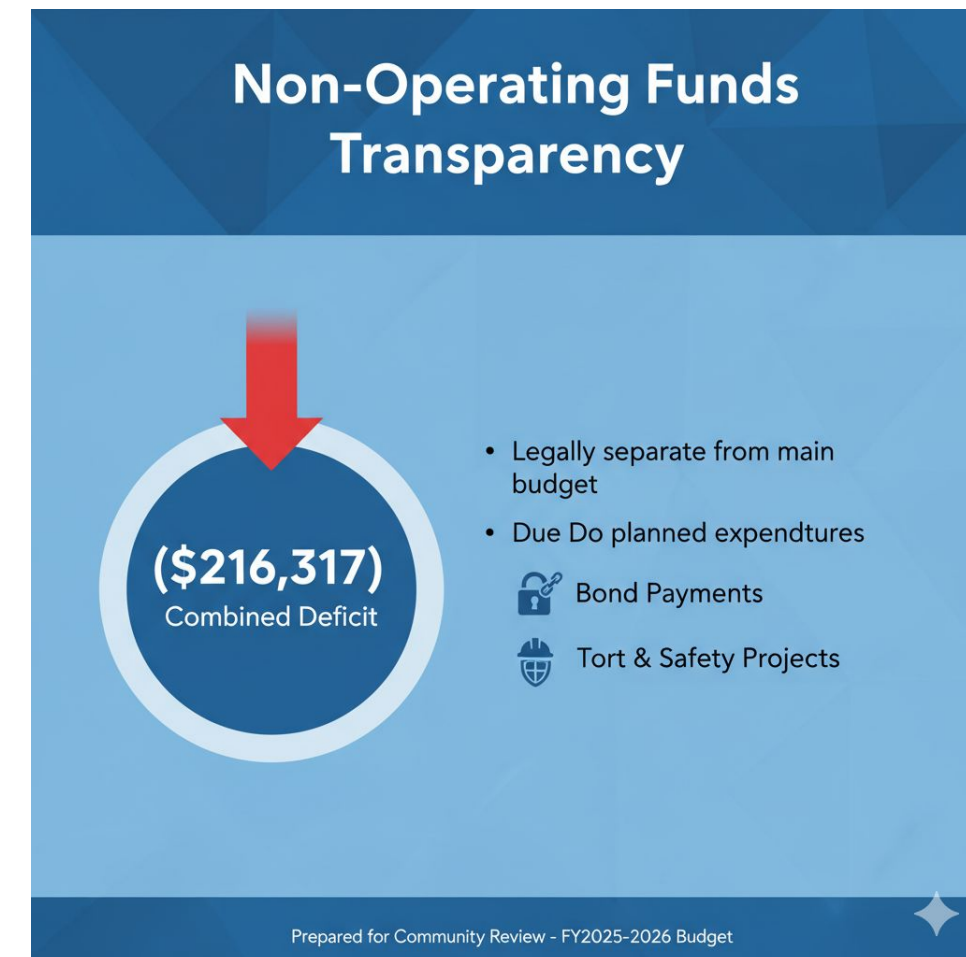


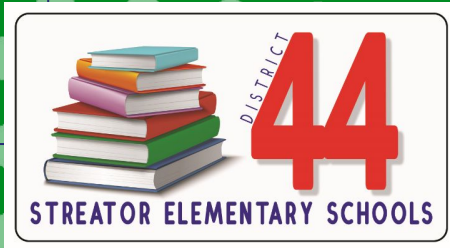


Operating Funds

For transparency, we also report on our non-operating funds.

- These funds, which are legally separate from our main budget, are projected to have a combined deficit
- This is mainly due to planned expenditure for bond payments and specific tort and safety projects.





Key Takeaways

**Projected
Operating Surplus**



\$1,168,855

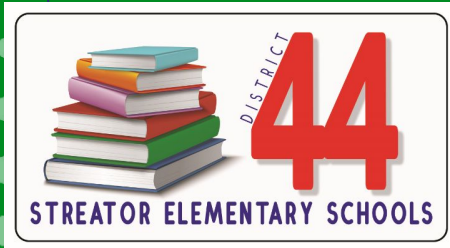
Covers daily educational
and operational costs

**Total Ending
Fund Balance**

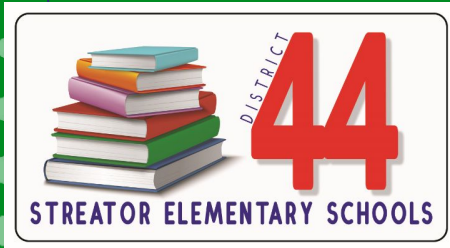


\$22,326.566

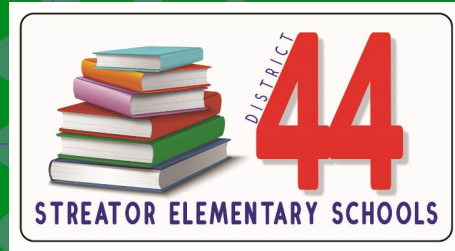
Represents the district's
financial reserves.



Public Participation



Adjournment of Public Hearing



Celebrations

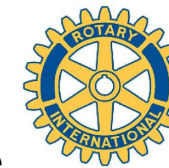
Chamber Partner of the Month



SES 44 & SEA



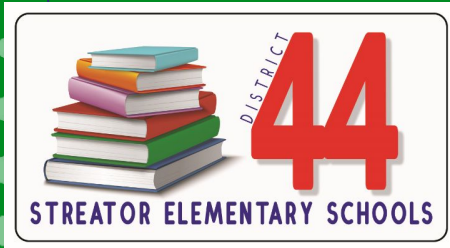
**Streator Rotary Club
Coat & Blanket Drive**



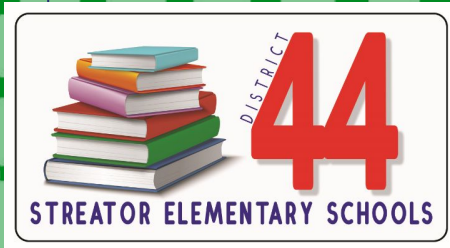
Donations accepted through 10/20/2025

Coats will be distributed
at the Salvation Army
10/23/2025 and 10/24/2025
9am-12pm

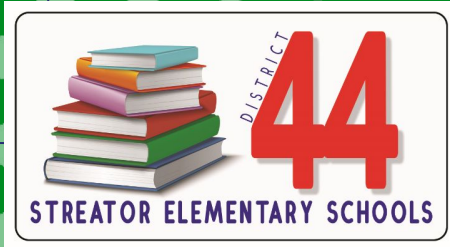




Open Forum



Action Items



Approval of Agenda

Agenda

I. PLEASE USE THIS LINK TO WATCH THE LIVE-STREAMING OF THE BOARD MEETING

I.A. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMpbs-UrhJNLUEAmeqJ9e-w/videos>

I.B. CLOSED SESSION — As stated in the Open Meetings Act, for the purpose of: Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Personnel, Litigation, School Security and Safety, and Review of Closed Session Minutes

II. 6:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/PUBLIC HEARING

II.A. Public Participation/Public Hearing for the FY26 Budget

II.B. Adjournment of Public Hearing

III. BOARD CELEBRATIONS

IV. OPEN FORUM

V. ACTION ITEMS

V.A. Approval of Agenda

V.B. Approval of FY26 Budget

V.C. Approval of Social Worker Contract with Presence

V.D. Approval of Director of Safety and Security Contract

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

VI.A. Approval of Open and Closed Session Minutes of the August 19, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

VI.B. Approval of Payment of Bills, District Travel and Financial Statements

VI.C. Approval of Human Resources Consent Agenda

VI.D. Approval of Harassment Policies

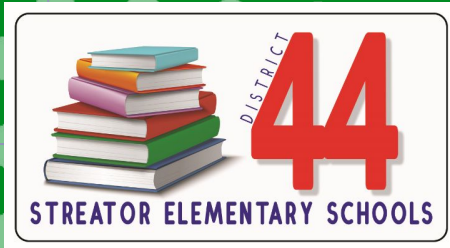
VI.E. Approval of Staffing Plan

VII. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

VII.A. Director of Student Services Presentation

VII.B. Centennial School Presentation

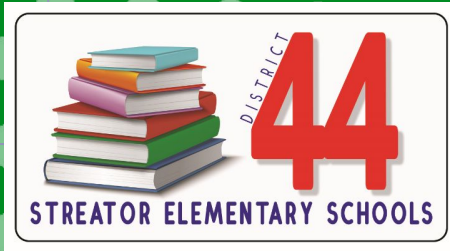
VII.C. FOIA Requests



Approval of FY26 Budget

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
			(30)	(30)	(30)	(80)	(80)	(80)	(70)	(80)	(80)	
	Description: Enter Whole Numbers Only	Acct #	Education	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Service	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety	
1	ESTIMATED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE (without Student Activity Funds) (as of July 1, 2025)		12,935,368	1,668,194	183,937	1,471,809	1,271,641	0	1,123,530	1,583,388	664,413	
2	RECEIPTS/REVENUES (without Student Activity Funds)											
3	LOCAL SOURCES	1000	4,107,664	524,165	600,943	276,762	654,138	0	146,241	1,031,299	117,343	
4	PG&W-THROUGH RECEIPTS/REVENUES FROM ONE DISTRICT TO ANOTHER DISTRICT	3000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
5	STATE SOURCES	5000	11,157,958	450,000	0	1,995,800	11,552	0	0	0	0	
6	FEDERAL SOURCES	4000	4,230,500	0	18,625	5,300	111,468	0	0	0	0	
7	Total Direct Receipts/Revenues ¹		18,495,800	974,165	613,567	2,281,762	867,130	0	146,241	1,031,299	117,343	
8	Receipts/Revenues for "On Behalf" Payments ²	2000										
9	Total Receipts/Revenues		18,495,800	974,165	613,567	2,281,762	867,130	0	146,241	1,031,299	117,343	
10	DISBURSEMENTS/EXPENDITURES (without Student Activity Funds)											
11	INSTRUCTION	1000	11,865,753				417,117			540,818		
12	SUPPORT SERVICES	3000	1,370,668	873,679		2,234,333	357,668	0		1,516,336	11,008	
13	COMMUNITY SERVICES	1000	81,705	0		0	838			0		
14	PAYMENTS TO OTHER DISTRICTS & GOVT UNITS	4000	483,317	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
15	DEBT SERVICES	5000	0	0	596,220	0	0			0	0	
16	PROVISION FOR CONTINGENCIES	6000	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
17	Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures ³		18,501,317	873,679	596,220	2,234,333	785,655	0		1,697,389	11,008	
18	Disbursements/Expenditures for "On Behalf" Payments ⁴	4000	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
19	Total Disbursements/Expenditures		18,501,317	873,679	596,220	2,234,333	785,655	0		1,697,389	11,008	
20	Excess of Direct Receipts/Revenues Over (Under) Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		994,213	100	15,337	7,429	21,475	0	146,241	(167,090)	96,335	
21	OTHER SOURCES/USES OF FUNDS											
22	OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS (FORM)											
23	PERMANENT TRANSFER FROM VARIOUS FUNDS											
24	Abolishment of the Working Cash Fund ^{1A}	7000										
25	Abolishment of the Working Cash Fund ^{1B}	7000										
26	Transfer of Working Cash Fund Interest	7000										
27	Transfer Among Funds	7000										
28	Transfer of Interest	7000										
29	Transfer from Capital Projects Fund to Debt Fund	7000		0								
30	Transfer of Excess Fire Prev & Safety Tax & Interest ² Proceeds to Debt Fund	7000		0								
31	Transfer of Excess Accumulated Fire Prev & Safety Bond and Int ^{3B} Proceeds to Debt Service Fund	7000			0							
32	SALE OF BONDS (FORM)											
33	Principal on Bonds Sold ⁴	7000										
34	Premium on Bonds Sold	7000										
35	Accrued Interest on Bonds Sold	7000										
36	State or Congressional for Fixed Assets ⁵	7000										
37	Transfer to Debt Service to Pay Principal on Loans	7000			0							
38	Transfer to Debt Service to Pay Interest on Loans	7000			0							
39	Transfer to Debt Service Fund to Pay Principal on Revenue Bonds	7000			0							
40	Transfer to Debt Service Fund to Pay Interest on Revenue Bonds	7000			0							
41	Transfer to Capital Projects Fund	7000						0				
42	Other Sources	7000										
43	OTHER SOURCES NOT CLASSIFIED OTHERWISE	7000										
44	Total Other Sources of Funds ⁶		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

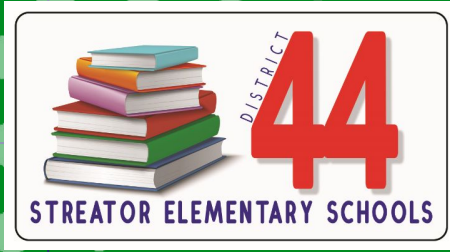
Recommendation: A motion to approve the FY26 Budge as presented.



Approval of Social Worker Contract

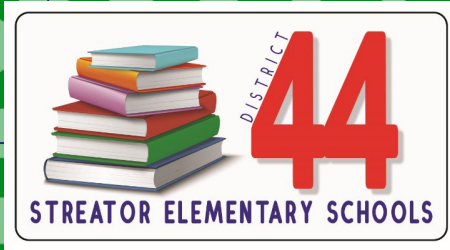
- **Addresses Critical Need:** This partnership provides immediate teletherapy services to fulfill legally mandated social work minutes for IEP students, addressing the current vacancy of two in-person positions.
- **Scope and Cost:** The contract secures 31 hours per week of dedicated clinical services (counseling, evaluations, case management) for the 2025–2026 school year at a total cost of \$92,358.02.

**Recommendation: A motion to approve
Presence contract as presented**



Approval of Director of Safety and Security Contract

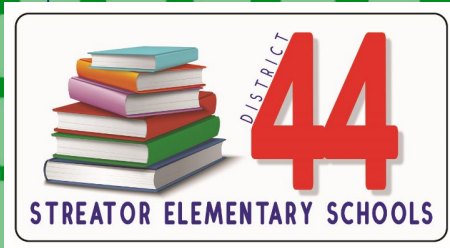
- **Rigorous Selection Process:** A multi-stage hiring process was conducted, including a committee interview with teacher representation. A standardized rubric and consistent questions were used to ensure a fair and thorough evaluation of all candidates.
- **Recommended Candidate:** Through this comprehensive process, Mr. Jordan Risley has been selected as the top candidate for the position of Director of Safety and Security.
- **Employment Terms:** The proposed agreement is for a 215-day contract effective from October 27, 2025, to June 30, 2028, with an annual salary of \$79,000 for the 2025-2026 school year.
- **Qualifications & Flexibility:** The 215-day contract provides flexibility for critical duties outside school hours. The agreement is contingent on a successful criminal background check and requires the director to complete extensive training with the National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO).



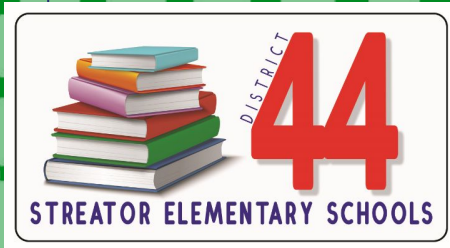
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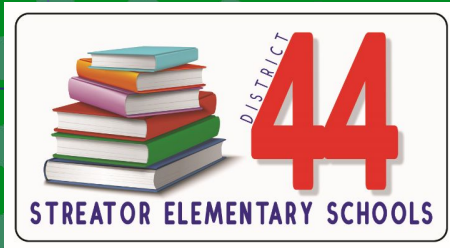
Recommendation: A motion to approve the consent agenda.



Informational Items

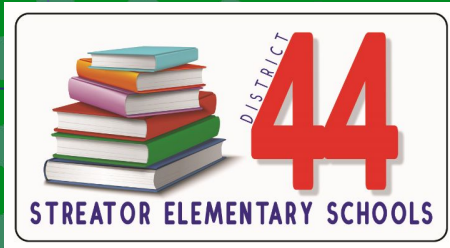


Director of Student Services Presentation



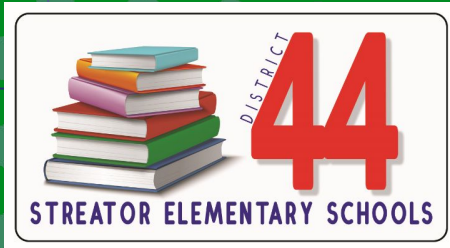
What have we been doing?

- Started the school year at Kimes with 30 students are behavioral interventions at the most supportive level. Decreased in 6 weeks to 21.
- 70% Centennial students that are on the BIST continuum are receiving behavioral interventions at the least supportive level (monitoring or coaching other students).
- 22 individual teacher meetings to support interventions in the classroom.
- 10 BIST Grade Level Meetings to discuss behavior interventions.



What have we been doing?

- Met with District SEL Team to discuss ISBE Survey results from the spring, Suite 360 Curriculum, new universal screener law begins 2027-2028 school year.
- Proctored 12 cognitive/academic assessments.
- Spent over 40 hours in CARES classrooms to support sub teachers. Visuals, schedules, model response to behavior, understanding IEP goals, introduction to centers, progression of goals, PECS setup, collecting FBA data.



Celebrate! Dashboard

Primary Student External IEP Eligibility Condition.....Other Health Impairments

Secondary Student External IEP Eligibility Condition.....Eligibility 99

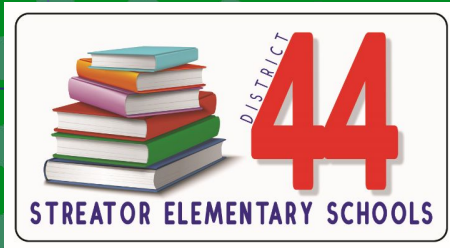
Accommodation List.....

Allow oral/taped tests or alternative tests; Extended Time; Other; Reduce the number of questions per page; Tests read aloud; Accommodation; Allow for extended time (when/how much); Allow oral/taped tests or alternative tests; Decrease amount (not content) of homework; Give directions orally and in writing; Modify the number of required problems; Provide written directions in the small units; Reduce the number of questions per page; Regular check-in with student; Tests read aloud; Extended Time: ELA; Separate or Alternate Location: ELA; Small Group Testing: ELA; Extended Time: Math; Separate or Alternate Location: Math; Small Group Testing: Math; Text-to-Speech for Math Assessment: (Text and Graphics) - Math; Calculator (within TestNav); Separate / Alternate Location; Small Group Testing; Text to Speech (in English) - Text and Graphics

Accommodation Notes.....

modified spelling list (reduced) alternative test sight small group for testing,modified spelling list (reduced) Separate location for testing ,2x

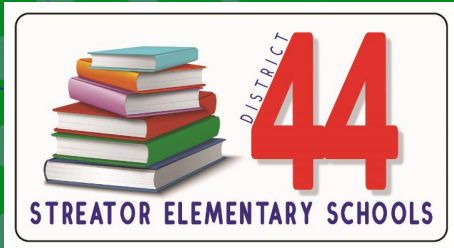
Goal List.....Math; Math; Reading; Reading



Celebrate!

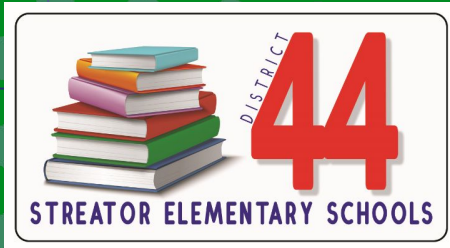
Suite 360

- Northlawn has started to implement individual Suite 360 SEL lessons in the LAC.
- Administration will send the counselors or myself the student name and the skill they are working on.
- We will assign them lessons based on the missing skill for them to complete during their time there.

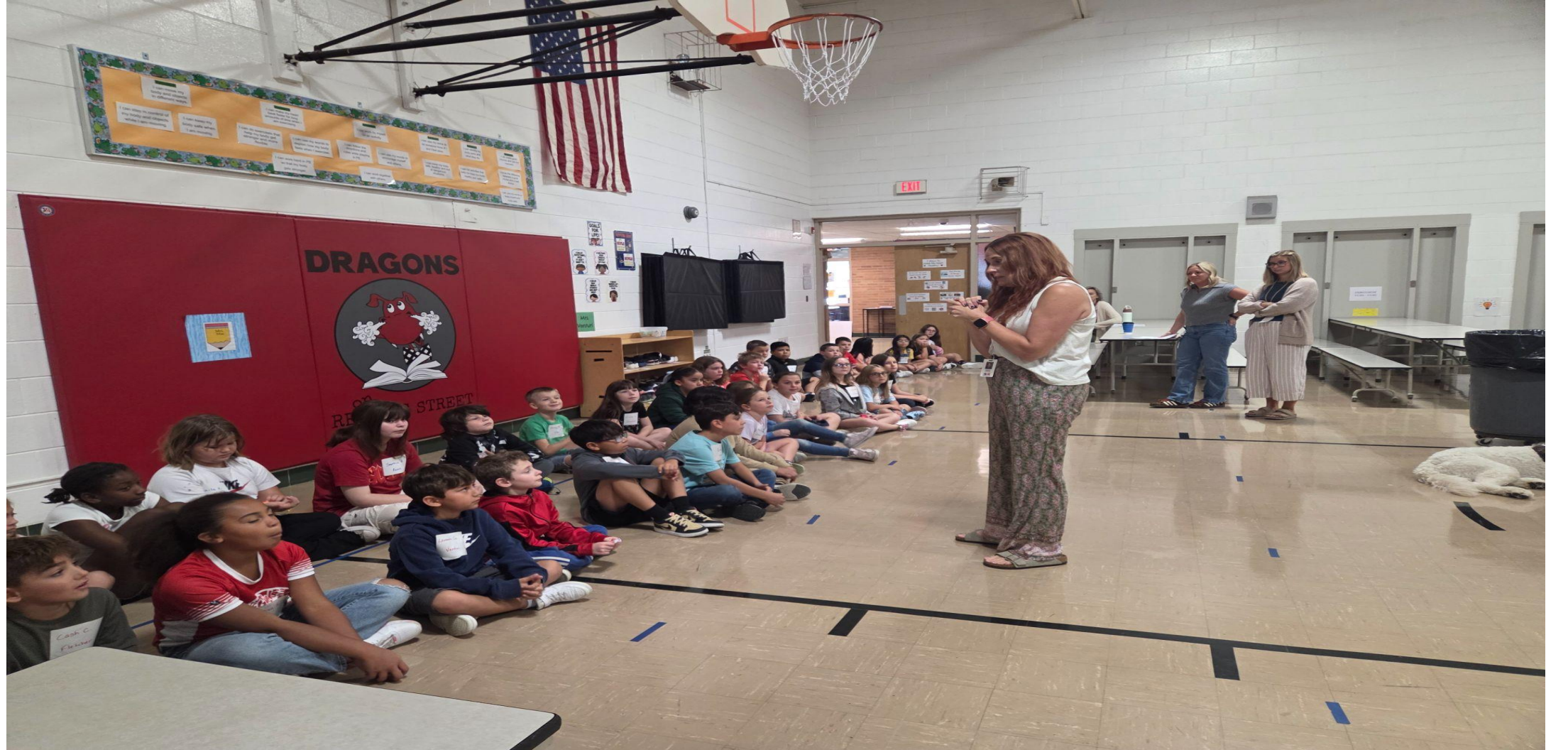


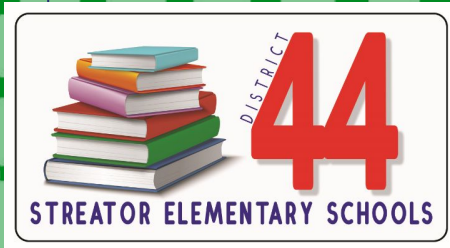
Celebrate! Vision Team



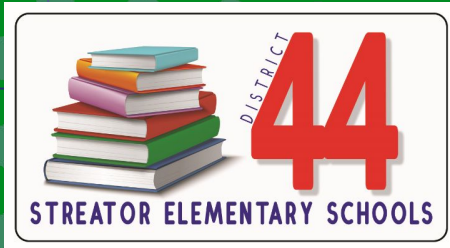


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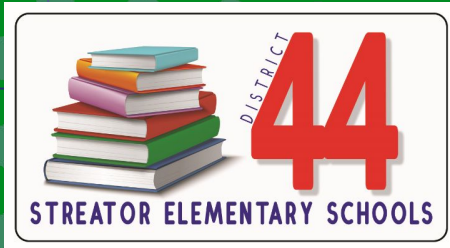




Centennial Presentation



Mr. Steve Bruck, Principal
Mrs. Kamm Reilly, Assistant Principal



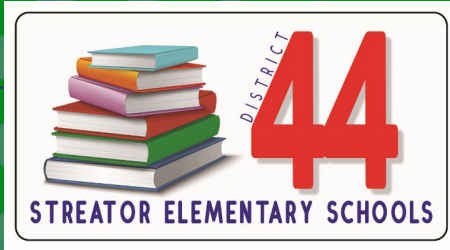
Centennial

Focus Points for the 25/26 School Year



A look into the 2025 - 2026 School Year...

1. **BEHAVIOR** - Enforce Common Area Expectations, Hold All Students Accountable, Eagle Points, Continue to Work Together.
2. **COMMUNICATION** - Monthly Calendar on the 1st, Weekly Notes Every Friday, Q&A with Admin.
3. **MORALE** - This comes from everyone working together. We are partnering with the ROE on professional development opportunities based on Staff needs.



Centennial

Let's Celebrate!

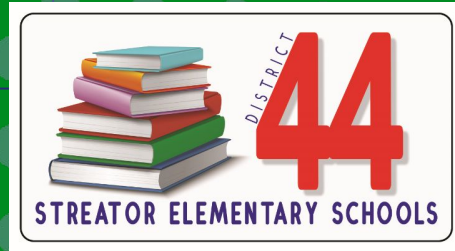


The 25/26 School Year is off to a great start!

According to the staff survey, student behavior was an area for improvement for the 24/25 school year. This year, according to the staff survey, there were no concerns regarding student behavior - only to continue the positive trend! We want to recognize and thank each staff member for their hard work on this focus!

Thank you to our school improvement team for their collaboration on implementing a new schedule for this school year!

For the month of August, almost our entire student population made their Eagle Point Goal!



3rd Grade Team



We would like to welcome our
3rd Grade Team to present.

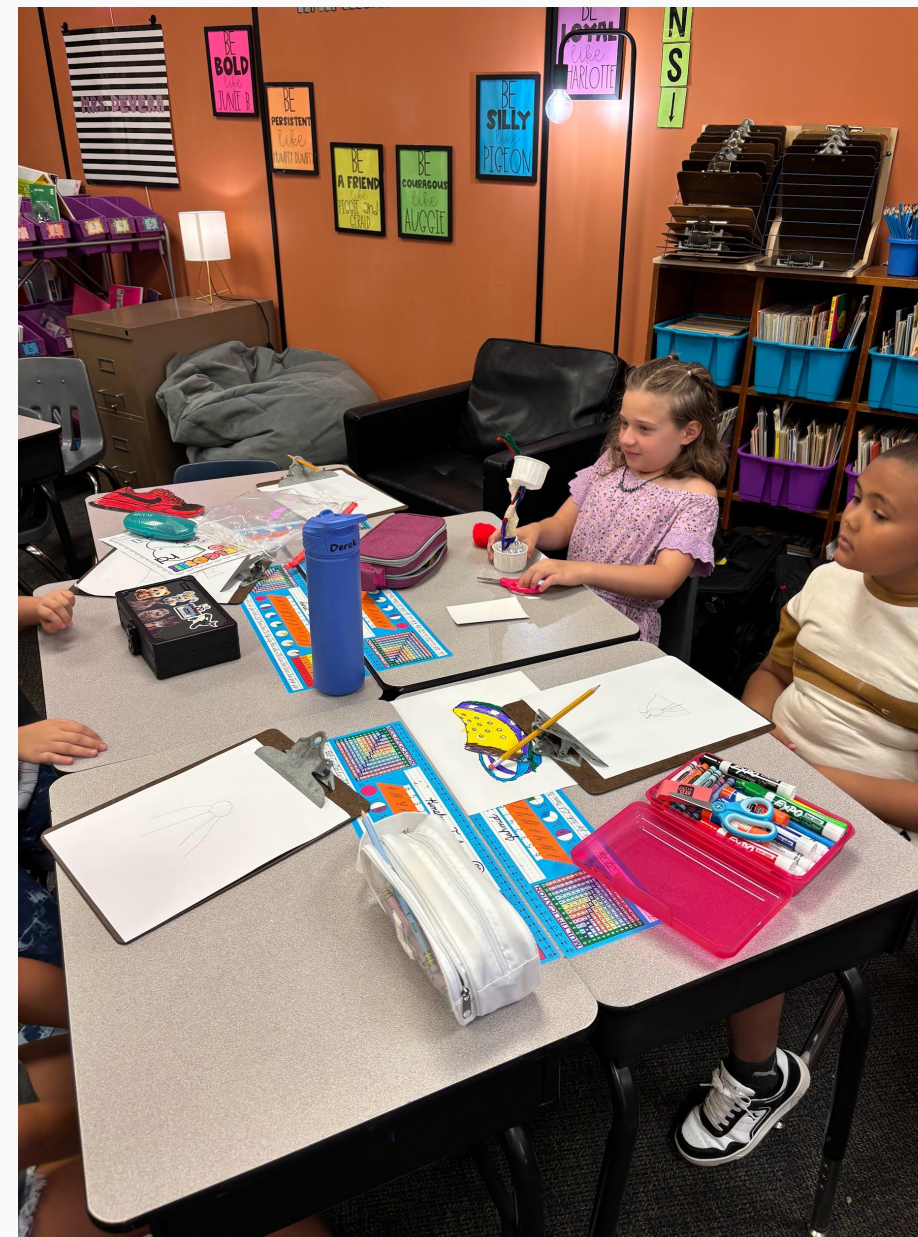
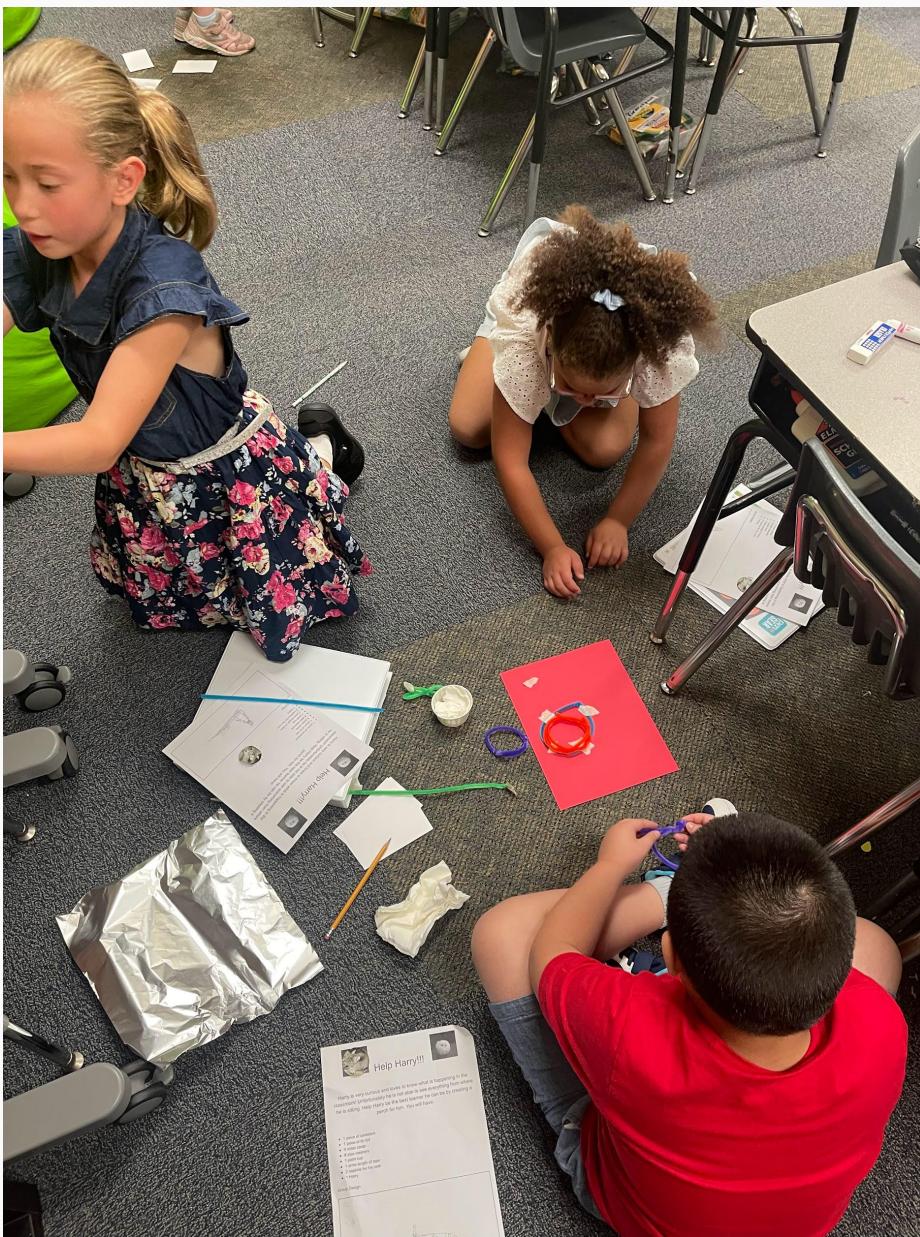


*We want to thank them for
their dedication to students by
creating engaging, memorable,
learning experiences!*

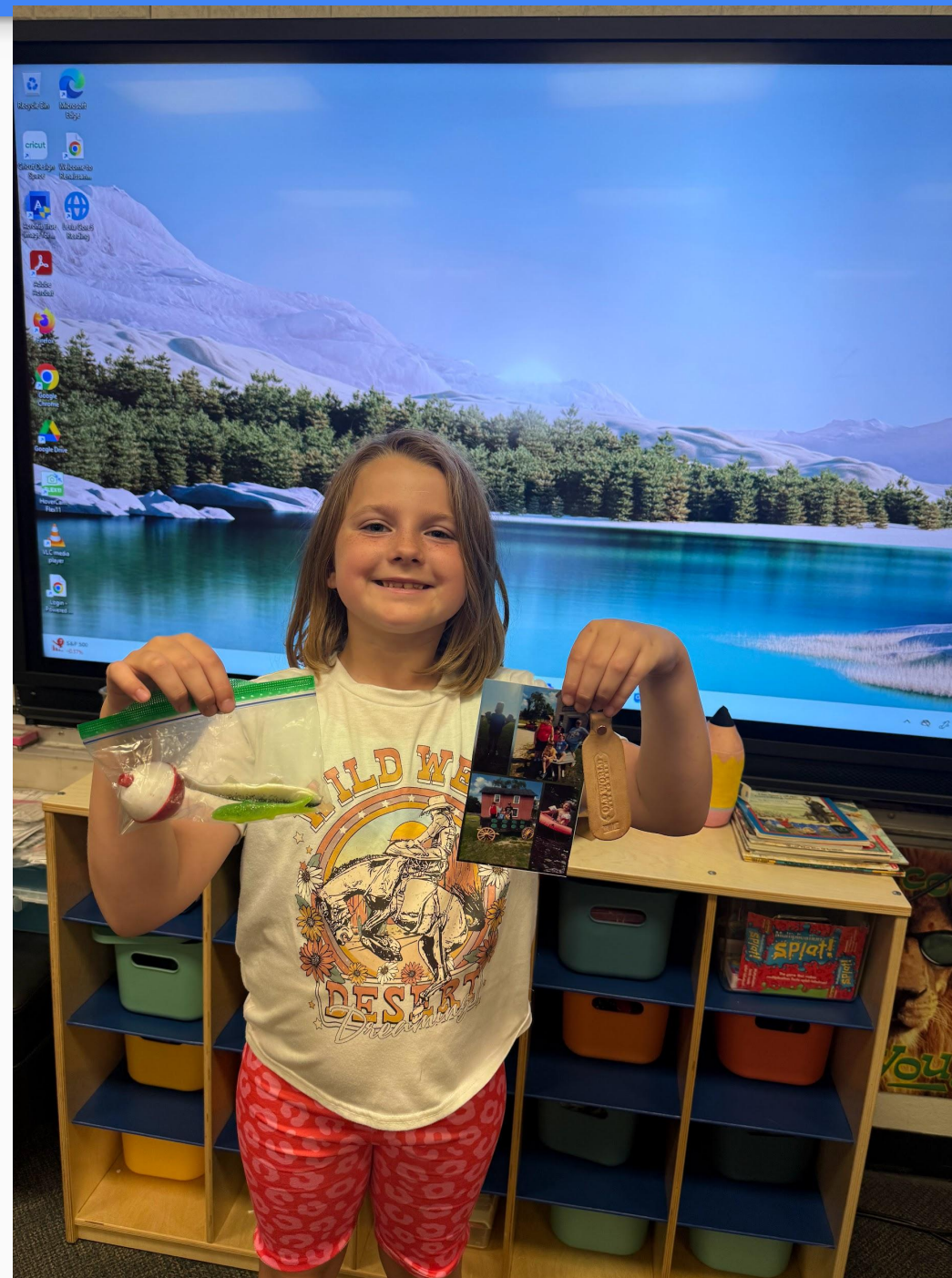


3rd Grade: Communities

Building Communities - Help Harry!



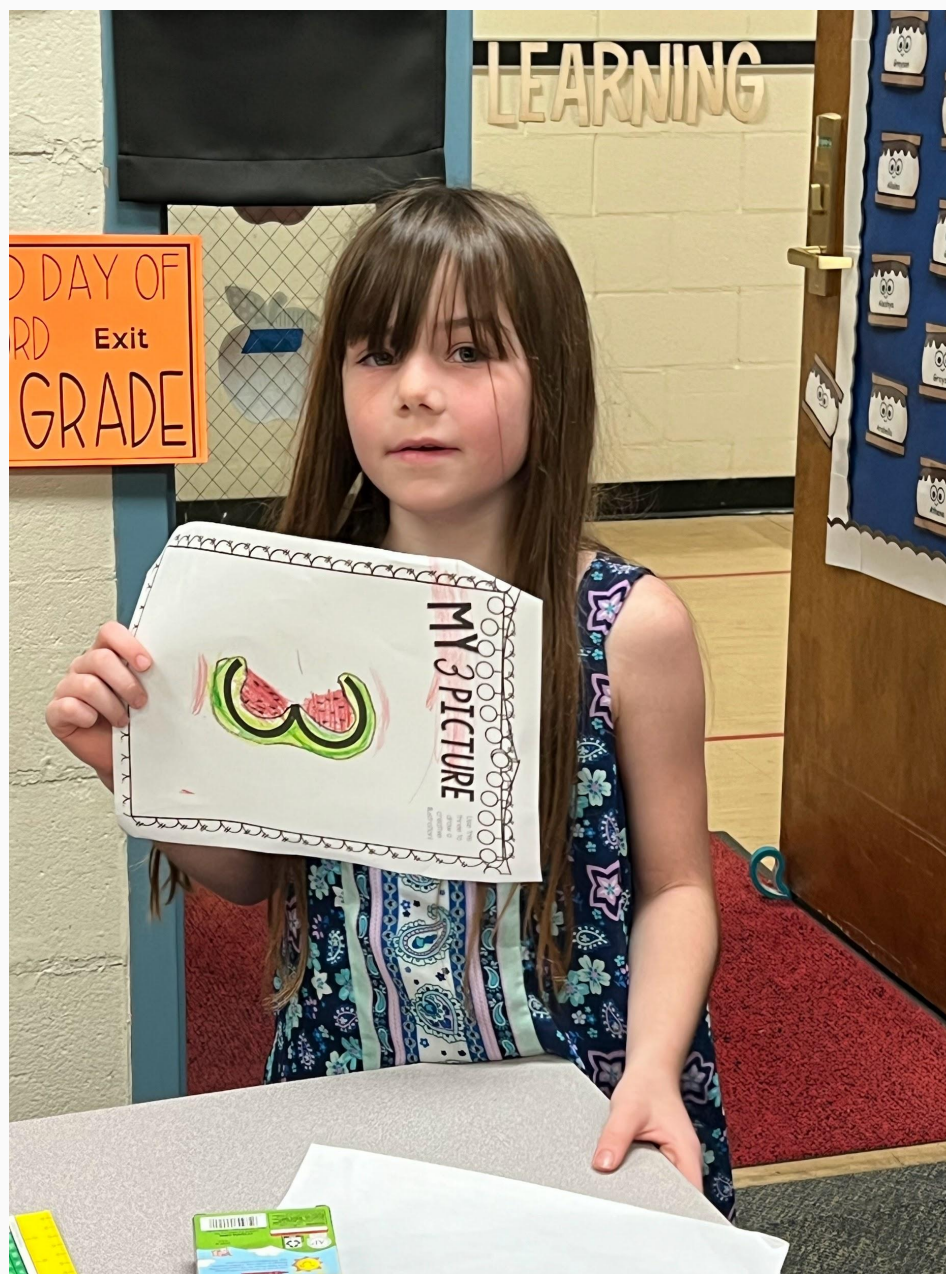
3rd Day of 3rd Grade - Sharing Interests



Building Communities - Help Harry!



3rd Day of 3rd Grade - It's Not a 3!



3rd Day of 3rd Grade - 3rd Grade Rocks!



3rd Day of 3rd Grade - Rock, Paper, Scissors



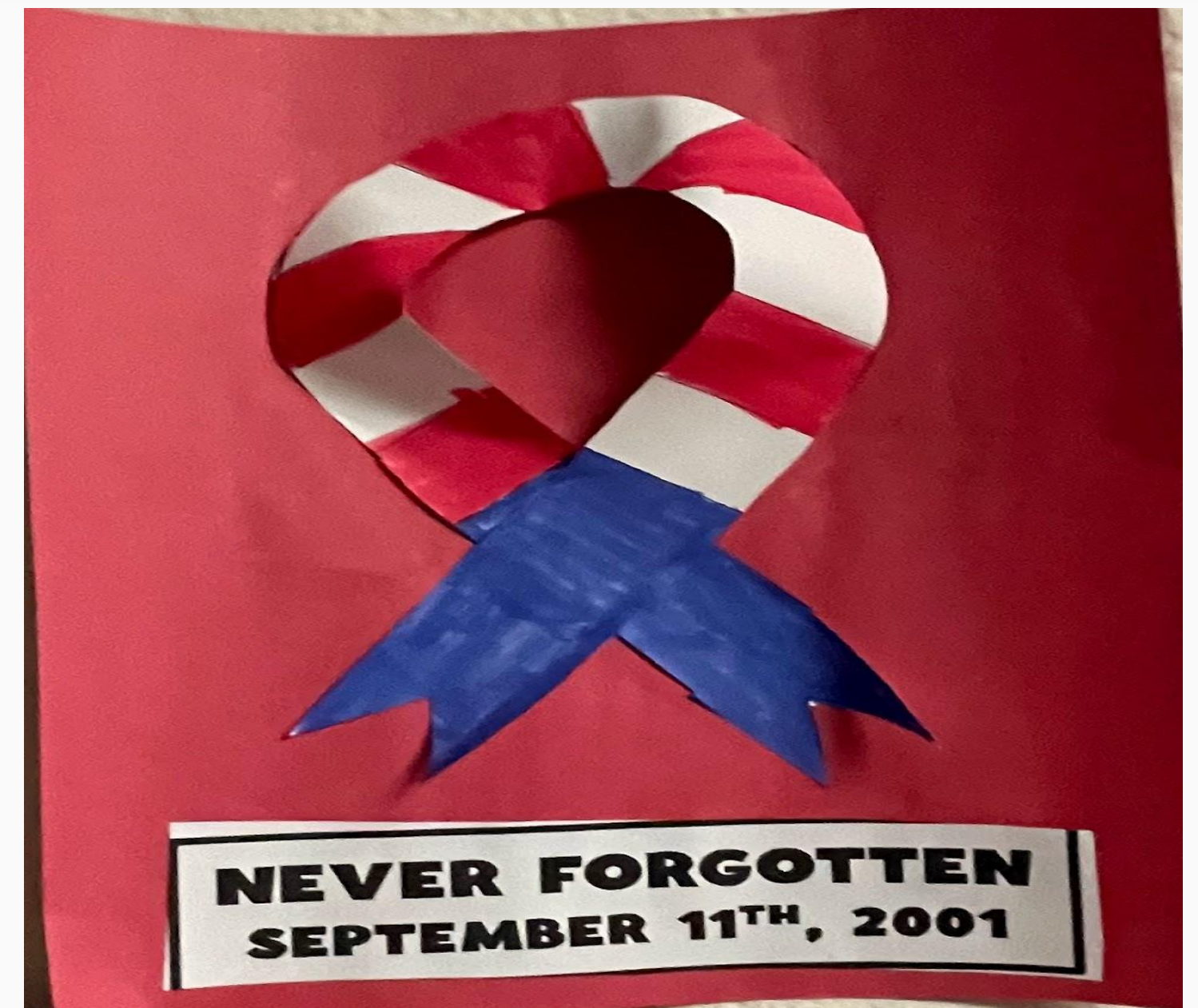
9/11 Hometown Heroes



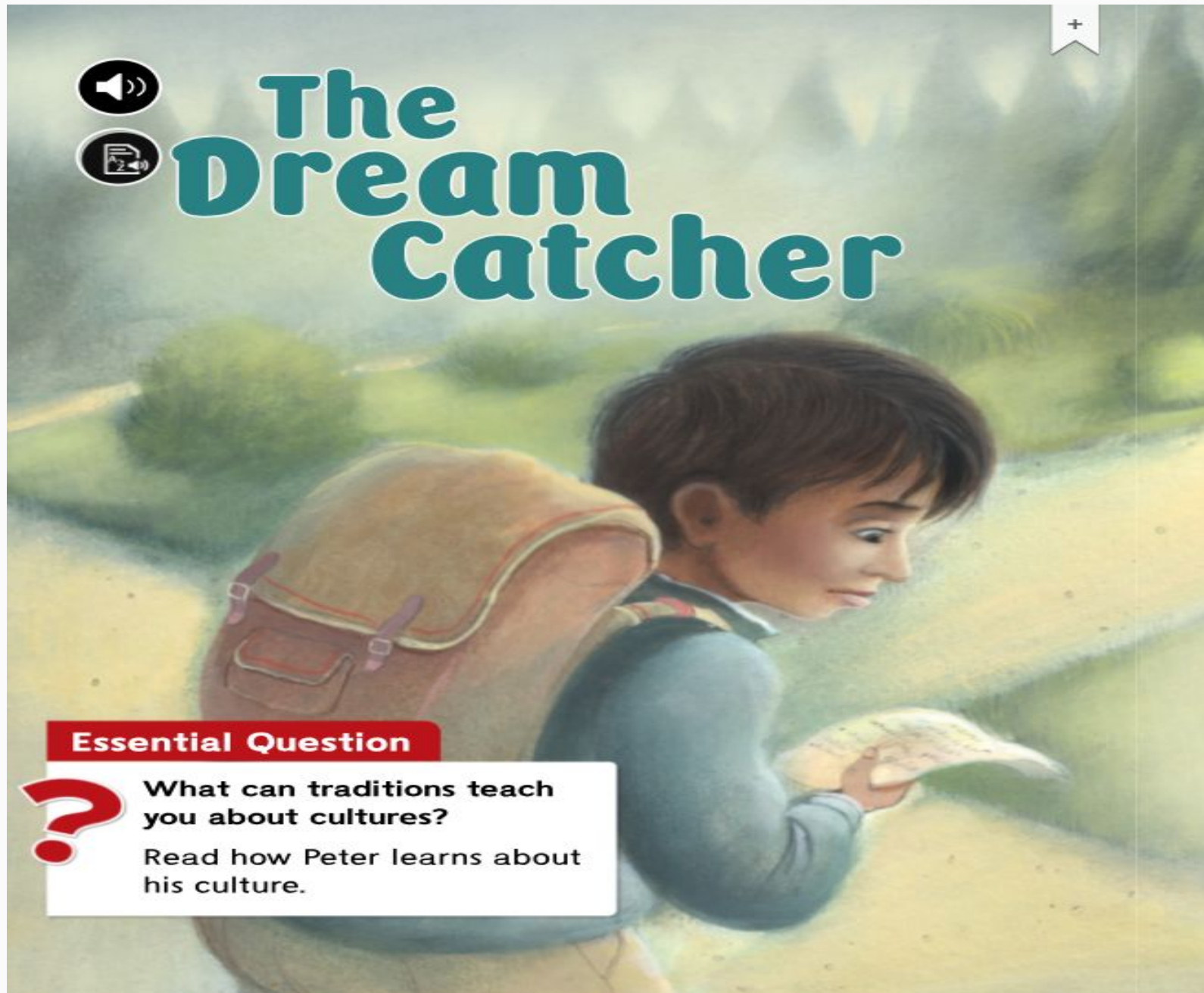
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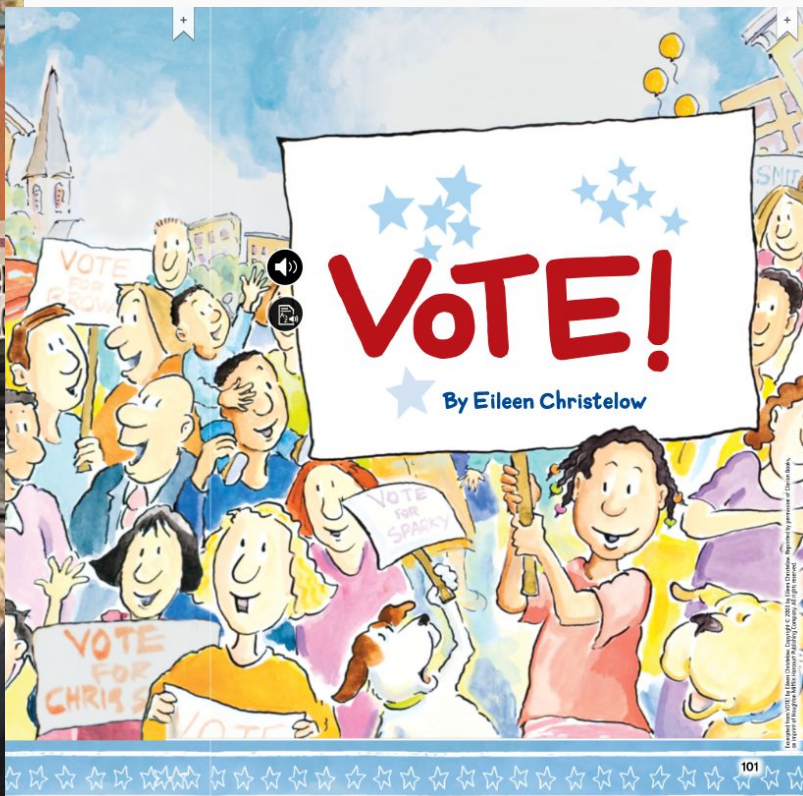
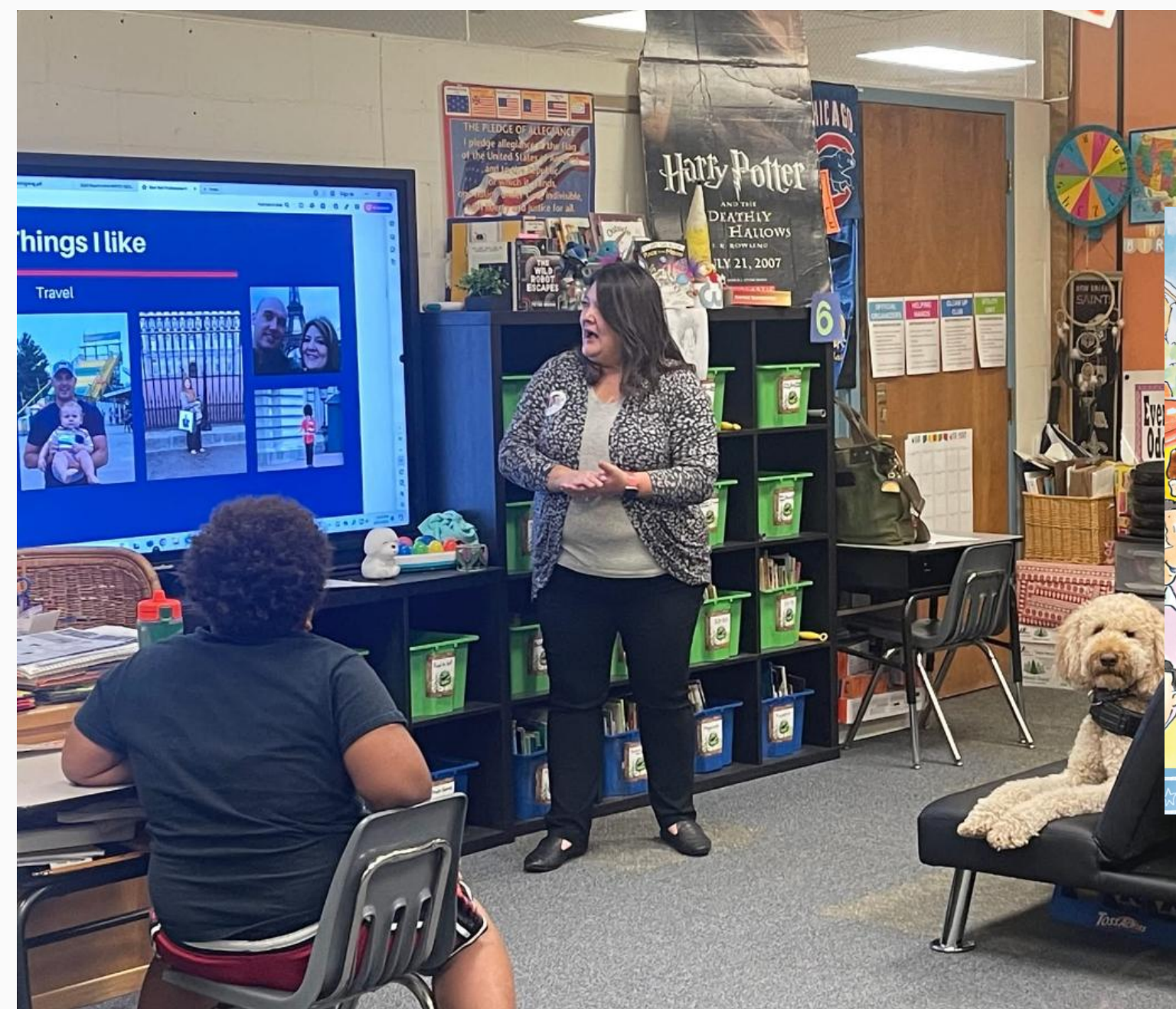
9/11 Hometown Heroes



Community Speakers - Miss Basina



Community Speakers - Mayor Bedei



Community Speakers - Mr. Reed



Community Visit - Streator Public Library



Community Visit - Streator Eagle 6



Thank You!

Mrs. Carpenter

Mrs. Devera

Miss Irvine

Mrs Jankowski



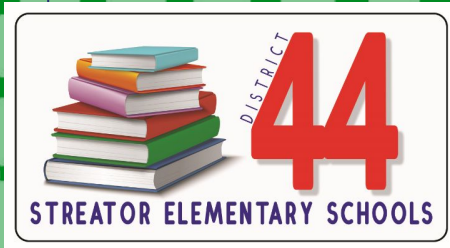
Mrs. Oakes

Mrs. Paton

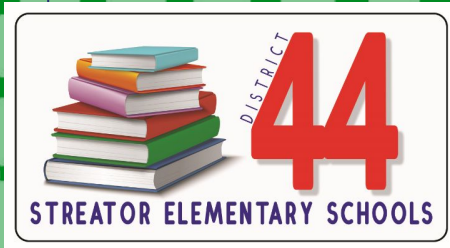
Mrs. Renken

Mrs. Tyne

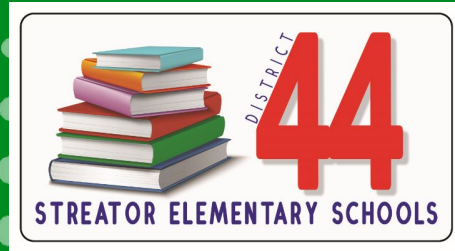




FOIA Requests



Future Agenda Items



Adjournment