Buffalo Hide Academy: December 2019

Regional Math Secondary Training:

Jason Krane and Troy Atchison attended a two-day math training in Great Falls on December 11-12. Michelle Douglas put on the training and it built upon the skills and strategies that were discussed in the Spring of 2019 during a similar training. The goals of the event were as follows: "Teachers will build on their understanding of concepts and pedagogical strategies for problem solving. Specifically, teachers will look at how to use models to support students in building equations and pathways for solving geometric and measurement problems. They will be practicing with support systems to build accurate academic language for these concepts while using models and other tools."

The first day began with discussing the importance of student understanding of ratios, rates, and proportions and over the next two days we built on that into more complex ideas found in Algebra and Geometry. Mrs. Douglas emphasized the *necessity* of having manipulatives available for all students, building activities and assignments around the use of manipulatives, and using content-area vocabulary in all lessons.

The training was instructive, hands-on, and allowed for both Troy and Jason to gain additional strategies to help students find success in math at the Buffalo Hide Academy!

Ornament and Cookie Decorating:





<u>Letter from a Student:</u>

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Star Lab:



BCC star lab donated by NASA.
Alicia Yellow Owl and Trayce
Yellow Owl did a presentation
about the sun, moon, stars,
nebulas, constellations, and the
Blackfeet story "Morning Star
(North Star).

BES Ornament Decorating:





Ornaments were decorated and placed on the BES Christmas Tree for their Holiday Concert.

STEM Activity:









Objective: Using spaghetti noodles and marshmallows, build a tower to withstand gravity.

Skills: Problem Solving / Math / Team Building

21st CCLC / Napi Literacy Night:



The 21st Century Learning Center grant has been extremely busy this year under the direction of Heidi Bullcalf. In addition to providing engaging and academically stimulation activities across the district 21st Century has also provided quality tutoring and support for Lights on after school, New Year's eve trip and the evening dinner program.





