

Community Education Director Report

May 16, 2017

Community Education

1. The participation numbers for Ranger Care at CRES for March was 29 participants each week: 8 children participated in the morning and 21 children participated in the afternoons on a regular basis. The numbers of participants vary each day according to their child care needs. Ms. Chevon Ceron is Ranger Care Attendant. She is working both: morning and afternoon shifts.
2. The Art Club meets in the Art Room at the High School every Wednesday afterschool from 3:00pm – 4:30 pm. The Art Club is for students in grades 7-12. We have been averaging 22 participants this month. Mr. Andrew Otterstad is the advisor.
3. 10U and 12U girls' softball teams have begun practicing. We will have one 12U team and one 10U team. 24 girls registered to play. 13 participants for 12U and 11 participants for 10U. The teams in leagues are: Pequot Lakes, Pine River, Walker, Nevis, Pillager, Baxter and Aitkin.
4. We are currently accepting registrations for Pony League Summer Baseball. This is for students in grades 7-9.
5. Bronco (grades 5th & 6th) and Colt (grades 3rd & 4th) boys' baseball have begun to practice. 60 boys are currently signed up to play. 33 signed up to play Bronco League and 27 signed up to play Colt League. The teams in the Bronco and Colt leagues are: Pequot Lakes, Pine River, Pillager and Nisswa.
6. The Floor Hockey League afterschool at CRES on Mondays and Wednesdays has three weeks left. 24 students in grades 1-6 are participating. John Stockler from the Breezy Point Ice Arena is the instructor with support from our high school hockey players.
7. Adult volleyball league started on Wednesday, April 28, 2017 at the CIHS PE Gym. Eight teams participate each night. We have over 60 people participating. The league is every Wednesday night for eight weeks. The league has three weeks left of the season.
8. S.A.L.T. students organized a blood drive that was hosted by the American Red Cross on Friday, April 28th. The event was a huge success with the need to add additional time slots to provide the opportunity to give blood for everyone who signed up. The S.A.L.T. students will have one more event this year. The event is their annual mine cleanup, kayaking, camping and rope course trip.
9. Ms. Chris McCusker is collaborating with Community Education and the High School Track Team to host Ranger Relays at the CIHS Track. The first night for the elementary track program was May 15th. There were 50 participants the first night. The remaining program dates are: May 18th, 22nd and 25th. The track meet is on May 25th.
10. Community Education is working on the supplement for summer community education programming. This will be distributed electronically through social media, website and email.

11. The CE department developed a Community Education Survey and is currently distributing it. The survey will provide citizens of our school district an opportunity to express their wants and needs. The link for the survey is on the homepage of the school district website, Facebook and Twitter.
12. Programs in the Community Education Brochure are: yoga, youth fitness frenzy, fitness conditioning, youth golf camp, adult golf lessons, floor hockey skills, floor hockey league, horseback riding lessons, banjo lessons, health & wellness classes, hypnosis (smoking & weight loss), 55 + driving class, driver's education classes, better budgeting, improve credit score, debt planning, beginning & advanced excel classes, basic Facebook, understanding Apple devices, social media security, two senior writing classes, live well at home, camp invention and early childhood programming.
13. The Community Education Advisory Council will meet on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 in the Forum Room at CIHS. The council will worked on priorities, marketing and survey distribution. We will also set the next meeting dates for the next school year.
14. The volunteer hours for April at CRES were 308.25 hours and May hours were 112 hours. Mrs. Devan Bartels is the volunteer coordinator.

Adult Basic Education (ABE)

1. We are collaborating with Brainerd, Pequot Lakes, and Pine River in the Brainerd ABE Consortium for 2016-2017 Adult Basic Education classes.
2. Four people participated in ABE programming for April from the Crosby area at CLC. Consortium wide the student contact hours have increased by 75 hours for the end of the year compared to last year hours. The new ABE programming year began on May 1st.
3. The Consortium hired a new program manager. The new manager's name is Jessica Turner. She comes to the Consortium from Brainerd's Lincoln Educational Center. Orla Kenton will stay on to transition the new manager through the end of the school year.

Early Childhood

1. The ECFE Parent Group had a "touch a truck" event in the bus loop at CRES on Saturday, May 6, 2017 from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. The attendance was very good for this event. They had over 350-400 people attend this event.
2. The ECFE Parent Group held a meeting at CRES on Thursday, May 11, 2016. The meeting topic was a wrap up of this year's projects and planning for the next year.
3. ECFE class went on a field trip to the Serpent Lake Memorial Park on Friday 12, 2017.
4. Early Childhood Department is still accepting early registrations for next year's school readiness programs at CRES.

Respectfully submitted,

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