Long Prairie-Grey Eagle Principals' Report

April 2025

One District

READ Act Training

a. On April 17, the staff participated in more READ Act Training. There will be one more day of training this year on May 27 or 28. The group taking the LETRS training will have 8 more sessions next year as well. Our OLLA group will complete their training by June 2. Our Paraprofessionals will have completed their four 2 hour sessions on May 28. This has been a lot of work but the training has been excellent and will make us all better educators.

Elementary School

1. Oboe and Bass Lyceum

a. On April 4, our elementary school hosted a musical group called Oboe and Bass. They presented 3 sessions to our students that were interactive, musical and engaging. We would like to thank Amanda Wehrspan and the Great River Regional Library for coordinating this program with us.

MCA Testing

a. The elementary school has completed their Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCA's) in the areas of math and reading for grades 3-6. Our fifth graders will take their science test on May 30.

3. Local Literacy Lead training

a. Beth Gustafson and I attend Local Literacy Lead training each month at Sourcewell. The focus of this month's training is the new Local Literacy Plan document as well as more information about the required Local Literacy Lead position that needs to be in place for the 2025-2026 school year.

4. Color Run Fundraising

- a. We would like to thank our students, families, staff and communities of Long Prairie and Grey Eagle for the overwhelming support for our fundraiser. Thank you also to the hard working team of staff members who work to put this fundraiser together each year.
 - Color Stations: Vanguard Insurance, Clotho United Methodist Church, Grey Eagle Burtrum Lions, Aksamit Transportation and CentraCare Health Systems.
 - ii. Platinum Sponsors: (\$1,000): Grey Eagle Burtrum Lions and Dairy Ridge
 - iii. Gold Sponsors: (\$500): The Trailer Center, Little Rose Custom Creations, Caseys, ECP, American Legion Post 12, Philips Repairables and Collision Center, becam+co photo, Sellnow Law Office, Subway
 - iv. Silver Sponsors: (\$250): ARC Electrical Services, Grey Eagle Electric, CHS Prairie Lakes, Minnesota Fresh, Jenkins Iron and Steel, Long Prairie Tarp, Long Prairie Rotary Club, Dan's Prise, Mid American Auction Co., Prairie Family Dental, Long Prairie Lumber, Lakeland Dental, DMV, River of Life Church, CTC
 - v. Bronze Sponsors: (\$100): Scheels. Walmart, Trinity Ladies Circle, D&D Auto Repairs, Step, Inc, Northstar Plumbing, Heating and Air, Fleet Supply, Central MN Realty, Magnifi Financial, Long Prairie Sanitation, Home Town Abstract & Title, Double R Saloon, Art Johnson Construction, New Image Salon, Daybreak Foods, Bitz Plumbing and Heating Services, Comfort Chiropractic, Breitenfeldt Group and Mid-Central National Bank
 - vi. Snack Stations: American Heritage Bank, McDonald's and Coborns

Secondary School

1. Minnesota Honor Society - Mr. Blanchard

a. Thanks to all who came and ate, donated, and fellowshipped during our annual food pantry fundraiser sponsored by the LPGE chapter of the Minnesota Honor Society. The total, including donations in kind, came to \$938.16.

A huge shout out to Ms. Jill Hanson, as her classes created all of the foods that were enjoyed by all of the folks who contributed to this fundraiser. None of this would be possible without her, so tell her "Thanks" when next you see her.

I must also thank Lu and Jurgen Brunkhorst, who jumped up after their meal and helped with cleanup. Without them, I would have finished doing dishes about two hours ago instead of last Thursday.

2. Pro Start - Jill Hanson

- a. She has been awarded the 2025 Minnesota ProStart Educator of the Year. Prostart recognizes the culinary wing of the hospitality industry and our students are directly involved in the program. They most recently finished up with a competition in the twin cities going up against other schools in the state in the preparation of different culinary dishes.
- b. Ms. Hanson will be recognized at the 2025 Scholarship Luncheon on May 22 at the Minneapolis Downtown Convention Center from 11:00 to 1:00
- c. She is also being nominated for the National ProStart Educator of the Year award.

3. Prom

a. We had another fantastic Prom this past weekend. Students had an enjoyable evening with the prom wrapping up at 11:00 and the After Prom party in the commons continued on until 3:30 in the morning. It should be noted that the students conduct was far above reproach and they represented themselves in the best light. We are very proud of how our students conducted themselves for the evening.