

Principal's Report
January School Board Meeting
Waterville-Elysian-Morristown
PreK-12th Grade



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K-4 Students Have been celebrating I love to Read Month with a calendar of activities including "Hats off to books" and "Beaching it with books". We will culminate with an all school read!

Teachers are gearing up for Conferences March 11 & March 15.

Third through 6th grade teachers are working to prepare students for the upcoming MCA Assessments.

On Monday, February 15 WEM welcomed back Kim Campbell. Kim led staff through professional development surrounding student engagement, professional environments and touched on mental health/trauma. This was the third time Kim has worked with staff. It was a great morning of development.

The high school hosted the first annual Snow Week Coronation last Friday.

Congratulations to the following royalty:

Freshmen: Lindy Caldwell and Ahmad Alladin

Sophomores: Jessica Hilpipre and Gavin Krantz

Juniors: Paige Atherton and Kyle Schmitz

Seniors: Lindsay Condon and Kolin Rients

Candidates included three males and three females from each grade. Candidates were selected by staff and voted on by grade levels. Candidates were selected based on the pillars of BUCS Pride: Safe, Positive, Respectful and Responsible.

As a result of COVID, several items in the Achievement and Integration plan were unable to occur. I've worked with Margaret on reallocating and assigning dollars within the grant to offer extended time for students who failed last semester with 40-59%. Core areas (math, science, english and social studies) are offering credit rehabilitation after school this week (Monday-Thursday) and next week (Monday-Thursday). This is a wonderful opportunity and we are pleased that students are taking advantage of it to avoid credit recovery through the Waseca Area ALC.

National FFA Week is underway. There are many activities planned at the high school along with dress-up days throughout the week. A special thank you to our senior class advisors and FFA advisor Mr. Cooley for working together and planning some fun at WEM!

Registration is underway and will wrap up in the next few weeks for current 6-11th graders. Thank you to our counselors, Mrs. Wold and Mrs. Roethler for their work on planning and coordinating with teachers and students.

In new hires you will find Maurice McCabe's name. Mr. McCabe is a Minnesota native who has years of experiencing teaching in Minnesota and Iowa. He is coming back to his roots in our area and is excited to join the mathematics department at the high school. Mr. McCabe is able to teach CollegeNow math courses as well. We are excited to have him join the WEM staff in the fall.

Morristown received a \$15,000 grant from Casey's. Mrs. Landru wrote the grant for gaga pits and a refresh on playground options. Way to go Mrs. Landru and Thank you to Casey's! Morristown's grant was selected out of more than 200 applications.