

Directors' Report

CCS Board of Education Meeting, Nov 18, 2024

District-wide Programming

Average Daily student Membership (ADMs):

- Seatbased: 149.2
- K-5 Online: 37.2
- 6-12 Online: 311.5
- Online Total: 348.7
- District Total: 497.9
- District Cap: 500

READ Act Phase One Training Update:

- CAREIALL participants are working on Module 5: Morphology
- LETRS Early Childhood cohort has started, 4 seat based staff are participating
- Approx. 22 staff will be participating in Phase Two of READ Act training

Fastbridge Update

- Progress Monitoring underway and according to Fall 2024 screening scores
- Approx. 78% of students participated in tests (record high!)
- Staff are digging into data and transferring/applying into coursework and classrooms

Online Programming

Enrollment Openings:

- Elementary: 0, 2 on waitlist for 3rd-5th
- Middle School: 0, 11 on waitlist
- High School: 0, 35 on waitlist

Position Openings:

- Online 1.0 FTE Seminar Teacher & MS Homeroom
 - currently interviewing
- Online 1.0 Special Education Teacher
 - reposted as of 10/30/2024

Potential Openings:

- Online .5 FTE Math Interventionist
 - may be combined with additional role to be full-time
- Online .5 FTE Reading Interventionist
 - may be combined with additional role to be full-time

Celebrations:

- Online School-to-Home Monthly Newsletter
 - [November Issue: CCS Online Newsletter](#)
- Online Parent/Guardian-Teacher Conferences a great success!
 - Families found the Google Appointment Scheduler easy to use.
 - 92% of staff rated their conference experience as 4 or 5 stars.
 - The Middle Level Team Conferences were highly effective.
- Online Fall 2024 Work-Based Learning making waves!
 - Student Success Stories:
 - 🛠 Precision Propeller Works (Brainerd)
 - Student mastering TIG welding under owner Mike Hall
 - Now confidently repairing customer propellers
 - Remarkable skill development over the past year
 - 🐾 Stay & Play Pet Resort (Pequot Lakes)
 - Student excelling in multiple roles: front desk, pet care, grooming
 - Balancing full-time work/school while teaching skating
 - Owners envision this student as a future business successor!
 - 🏆 Northland Pet Lodge (Crosslake)
 - Student promoted to managerial duties
 - Owner Jeff McGrath praised this student's maturity and reliability
 - Steady growth in responsibilities
 - 🍕 Little Caesars (Brainerd)
 - Student managing pizza production and quality control
 - Additional duties: box assembly, cleaning, order taking
 - Managers highlight this student's excellent team integration
 - *These students exemplify our school's values through their outstanding work ethic and professionalism in our community.*

Seat Based Programming

The fall has gone extremely well. Our Spring math implementation is truly remarkable and is really paying off. Our math scores are climbing, which is the goal! We have even had Sourcewell reach out to us and they would like to come and make a promotional video to use with training nationwide!

We are working on clubs. The community center showed interest to partner, but it wasn't happening. SO - one of our moms is taking it upon herself to get things rolling. We are very excited! We just began the process asking for coaches and other volunteers. One club that already took place in the fall was called the youth fitness sampler. This was a cross between dance, yoga and maybe a little parkour. We are looking next at basketball, cheer and maybe a little Spanish.

The middle school recently enjoyed a trip to the planetarium. There is always so much to learn on this adventure. We are fortunate to have Sourcewell reimburse us for the bus costs to travel there.

Our large group assembly to cover training for the Read Act continues. The one we just had was based on Assertiveness. The student council did a skit portraying various scenarios and solutions. This was followed up with students making turkey feathers of what they are grateful for.

Our Halloween parade was a huge hit - as always! Our community collaboration is exceptional!

Speaking of collaboration - we expanded the Veteran's Day program to include vocal music. The kids learned some new songs and we expanded the invitation to more people in the community. This was very well attended and the kids were excited! The staff ensemble sang the National Anthem with the kids and Mrs. Swenson shared her amazing trumpet skills by playing Taps.

Central Lakes College Theater Department came to us and performed Tell Tale Heart for the Middle School.

Community Pickleball has started. It was well attended and is open to families of Middle school and up.

Our teachers have been taking part in very intentional and extremely beneficial Professional Development.

Thank you for all of your support and hard work in making our school a great place to be!