

To: Members of the School Board and Dr. Cox
From: Terril Catmull
Re: 2019-2020 Elementary Prep Providers Report

Dear Members of the Board and Dr. Cox,

It is my pleasure to report on the accomplishments and progress of the elementary Library, Music, P.E. and Computer programs in our district.

At our first meeting in September, we scheduled our meetings for the year and made sure we were all connected through access to Google Drive. We decided to use some of the advice we received from our keynote speaker at our back to school meeting, Stacy Taniguchi. He said, "Don't just endure, make a list and THRIVE!" We made plans and were intentional about setting goals.

I am happy to report that we were able to complete all of our scheduled meetings this year. [see here](#) At our final meeting on March 2nd, we had no idea what we would be facing at the end of this school year. Because of the disruptions of the past weeks, our report is different than what we had originally planned. Each team was going to have a video to present at a board meeting to show their accomplishments throughout the year. I am attaching the agenda for the last meeting so you can get an idea of what our year looked like. [see here](#)

I would like you to know that having the opportunity to meet as teams has been a great benefit not only for the para-professionals, but for the students and for our district as a whole. As I facilitate these meetings, I have the opportunity to watch the interactions of the paras as they share ideas and support each other. They are truly dedicated to providing a rich experience to each student in our district. The programs and activities they provide are sometimes the most fun and enriching part of the week for these children. This scheduled time together makes the elementary programs in our district more unified.

Even though I won't be attending their meetings in the coming year, I hope the opportunity for them continues. I have seen much growth in the past three years in these programs. A district curriculum for each of these programs was our biggest accomplishment. In addition to that important accomplishment, however, is the support and encouragement these professionals receive from each other as well as the connection they receive from district office personnel.

I appreciate the opportunity to be a part of this team and leave you with this thought; Don't just survive but, THRIVE in the coming days.

Sincerely,
Terril Catmull