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Principal Board Report
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2017-2018 GOALS FOR MT. ECCLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

This fall, Mt. Eccles teachers scored our school on a rubric of the STEPP indicators (School Continuous Improvement Components) for the domains of 1) Curriculum, 2) Assessment, 3) Instruction, 4) Supportive Learning Environment, and 5) Professional Development. Site-Based Council also weighed in on domain 4. Our highest needs have been determined by those activities, and we set goals in those areas. Here are the elements that will receive our focus this year:

2.4 – School staff use multiple data sources, including state assessment data, to evaluate how school programs impact student performance including specific sub groups and specific grade levels. (continued from 2016-17)

3.2 – School staff implement a coherent, documented plan throughout the school to ensure that all students receive core instruction and all low-performing students receive additional support to help them meet or exceed the state content standards. (continued from 2016-17)

4.3 – School staff communicate school-wide behavior expectations that are understood and achieved by students, and staff provide positive behavioral supports. (new in 2017-18)

4.7 – School staff communicate effectively with parents about learning expectations, student progress, and reinforcing learning at home; staff implement effective strategies to increase parent engagement. (continued from 2016-17)

MONTHLY ATTENDANCE (%)

	Pre-K	Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	AVG.
SEPT	95.3%	93.5%	92.9%	96.0%	94.8%	94.9%	96.9%	96.3%	95.0%
OCT	93.0%	94.0%	94.3%	96.3%	95.5%	91.1%	92.6%	93.5%	93.8%
NOV	82.2%	89.6%	92.2%	95.3%	92.7%	91.7%	96.8%	89.9%	91.5%
DEC	85.9%	88.6%	95.7%	81.0%	86.9%	82.7%	86.6%	91.4%	87.8%
JAN									
FEB									
MAR									
APR									
MAY									
AVG.									

STUDENT ENROLLMENT (Based on date of report)

	Pre-K	Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Total Students /Total FTE
AUG									
SEPT	13	20	27	17	28	24	20	27	176/167.5 FTE
OCT	13	21	27	17	28	24	20	27	177/168.5 FTE
NOV	14	21	26	17	28	24	21	27	178/169 FTE
DEC	14	21	26	17	28	24	21	27	178/169 FTE
JAN	14	21	26	16	28	23	21	28	177/168 FTE
FEB									
MAR									
APR									
MAY									

This represents the actual number of students coming to classes full time. As of the writing of this report, we also have 6 students that are participating in specials (PE, swimming, music, band, and/or speech). 6 @ .25 FTE = 1.50. The preschool FTE count for OASIS is 4 coming 5 days/wk @ .75 = 3.00 and 2 coming fewer days/week @ .25 = .5. As of today, we had 6 students out on extended leave (more than 10 days) on our last school day in December. We have 1 elementary-aged student enrolled in Cordova Correspondence School.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

- **2017-18 Mt. Eccles Student Council** – 5th and 6th graders were asked to fill out a questionnaire about their views on leadership and to reflect on their own leadership skills and ambitions. Then the two teachers and the principal chose a slate of ten student leaders. The 5th graders move on as the “seed group” for the next year, providing some continuity from year to year. This year’s student council was announced this Monday. They are:

Mhikee Gasmen (returning)
Harley Klix (returning)
James Corales
Faith Hatch
Lillie Kuhn
Allison Ritter
Samaya Faber
Karl Griffith
Jheryel Itliong
Thomas Nothstine

Last year’s group started the Mt. Eccles Science Fair, and this group has been challenged to make their own mark on Mt. Eccles. I was impressed with the way this group has managed their own conversations so early in the game. One of their ideas for student involvement and positive school climate is to have a talent show. Stay tuned for more information!

- **Mt. Eccles Hallways** – were very festive and inviting during December. In addition to lots of Christmas lights, here are some examples of student art on display:

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STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- **Standards-based reporting** – was our main focus in December. We will continue this work during the full day inservice on January 19th.
- **Professional development opportunities coming up** – The CSD administration is collecting names of those interested in several opportunities beginning with the Alaska RtI Conference in January and ASTE (tech conference) in February.

SITE COUNCIL SUMMARY

The Mt. Eccles Site-Based Council met on Tuesday, December 19th at 5:00 pm in Mt. Eccles Library. The main topics of conversation were 1) the schoolwide status of Mt. Eccles with regards to federal grant (Title programs) funding and 2) the STEPP school improvement rubric.

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, January 16th at 5:00 pm in Mt. Eccles Library.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- First Day of School – Mon, 1/8
- School Board – Wed, 1/10, 7:00 pm in the CHS Media Center
- Site-Based Council – Tues, 1/16, 5:00 pm in Mt. Eccles Library
- PTA – Tues, 1/16, 6:30 pm, Mt. Eccles Commons

CORRESPONDENCE

- None at this time

OTHER ITEMS

- None at this time