

# Long Prairie-Grey Eagle Principals' Report

February 2025

## One District

1. READ Act Professional Development
  - a. On February 13 and 14 our staff participated in 2 more days of our READ Act Professional Development. Those staff who are completing the 2 year program of LETRS had live sessions on both days. The staff completing the OL&LA program participated in a live session on February 13 and completed online training on the 13th and 14th. Our paraprofessional staff completed the 1st of 4 sessions with the instructor, Dr. Mary Jordahl from Sourcewell.

## Elementary School

1. I Love to Read Month

The students are enjoying all of the I Love to Read Month activities. The dress up days are a hit! Students are extra motivated to read as they get to put fish stickers on their aquariums outside of their classrooms. One new activity this year is the reading room. Classes get to come and read in a special room that has been transformed into an underwater world. On February 28 we will conclude our reading month with Breakfast and books. This is always a highlight of the year!



## 2. Color Run Funds

During this cold snap in the weather, we will use color run funds to bring in inflatables from Top Gun Fun Inflatables for 2 days. Students will have the opportunity to utilize these during their physical education classes for 2 days.

Other funds have been used to purchase items for indoor recess and stem activities, lyceums, field trips, physical education equipment and more,

Packets for this spring's color run will be coming home with students in March so watch for our students seeking donations soon. Thank you to everyone who has donated in the past. You truly make a difference for our students.



## Secondary School

### 1. Snow Days

- a. We had another great activity day for our Snow Days week this year. As in past years, students were able to choose from games and activities on campus to skating at the rink, bowling in Alexandria, the waterpark in Brainerd for the 7th and 8th graders along with ice fishing at Lake Latimer and downhill skiing at Andes Tower Hills.
- b. The activity day has long been a staple at the secondary school and serves as a vehicle to build relationships with students in a non-academic setting. The community has been overwhelmingly supportive in donating to this and they do recognize the positive impact that it has on school life at LPGE Secondary.

### 2. Midwest Music Educators Association Conference

- a. Mr. Lamb and Mr. Speer both attended the mid winter MMEA conference in Minneapolis. They are currently working on getting our students an opportunity to perform. Student participation is a great honor at this level and proves to be very difficult to receive and invite. As you know our music programs are very successful in their own right and we applaud the work that Mr. Lamb and Mr. Speer conduct in order to provide our students with overwhelming opportunities.

### 3. FFA

- a. Mr. Gjerstad and his students are celebrating National FFA Week this week with a number of activities on the secondary campus to bring some attention to this week.
  - i. Tuesday- Dress Like a Farmer
  - ii. Wednesday- Only Blue Will Do
  - iii. Thursday - Carhartt Day
  - iv. Friday - Hat Day



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