

Directors' Report

CCS Board of Education Meeting, September 16, 2024

District-wide Programming

Average Daily student Membership (ADMs):

- SB - 147
- K-5 OL - 35.07
- 6-12 OL - 311.53
- Online Total - 346.6
- District Total - 493.6

FastBridge Screening:

- OL Reading 221/352 for a total of 63% completed testing
- OL Math 226/352 for a total of 64% completed testing
- SB Reading 102/146 for a total of 70% completed testing
- SB Math 122/146 for a total of 84% completed testing

Compliance and Policy

- Submitted district information for MACS 2024-25 Compensation Survey
- Implementing new law requirement to disseminate school offerings and enrollment procedures to diverse families
- Awaiting [MDE](#) support for developing a Language Access Plan

Reminders

- MEA Break: We're planning to implement the Google Workspace changeover during the MEA break. Given our organization's size and needs, Google Suite appears to offer the best balance of functionality and cost-effectiveness. Microsoft Suite access will be available to those who show the need. More details to come.
- Broken Equipment: If students have broken Chromebooks or chargers, we are encouraging them to return the equipment, so we can assess and repair it.
- Indoor Air Quality: We are reviewing the resources provided by MDH and EPA to ensure we're maintaining a healthy environment for our students and staff.
- PSEO Topic Sessions: MDE is offering sessions on post-secondary enrollment options. We will have CCS representation in attendance. [Click here](#) to view new language regarding PSEO, which has not yet been added to the [statute](#). [Click here](#) to view and sign up to attend the PSEO Topic Sessions.
- [ReGroup District-wide Collab Picture](#): Grateful for the Board's support!

Planning Ahead

- National Voter Registration Day event for MN High Schools on September 17th. All interested should [sign up here](#).
- MACS [2024 Annual Meeting & Celebration](#): September 26th at Union Depot in St. Paul. Let the Board Chair know if you're interested in attending.

- Teacher Pathways Summit: September 26th, 2-4pm, hosted by the University of St. Thomas. We're considering attendance to discuss educator preparation programs. [Click here](#) to learn more.
- Green Ribbon Schools Program: Informational webinar on October 24th. This program honors schools for environmental sustainability efforts. We will have CCS representation in attendance. [Click here](#) to learn more.
- District-wide SIS and LMS review committee starting in October 2024

Professional Development Opportunities

- Osprey Wilds Board Training Course 200: Charter School Finance - A Public Trust, starts September 20th. Registration deadline is September 18th.
- Charter Leader Institute: Offering asynchronous modules for charter school leaders. MACS members receive a 10% discount. We're considering our attendance.
- School Indoor Air Quality Plan Training: Free trainings offered by MDH, with possible continuing education credits. We will have CCS representation in attendance.
- Upcoming Events

Online Programming

Job Openings:

- .5 FTE SpED Paraprofessional job opening posted internally and externally

Pending Board approval; New positions

- 1.0 FTE SpED Teacher to be posted
- 1.0 FTE Learning Coach to be posted

Technology Updates

- Chromebook distribution is complete
- iPad rollout planned for next week
- Additional hotspots from Verizon to be ordered soon
- Considering changes to equipment repair policy to streamline broken device returns

Academic and Support Initiatives

- First ELA Data Dig meeting held on 09/10/24
- Learning coaches switching to monthly progress updates
- New student support space "A Space to ReGroup" launched
- MTSS Lead Team recruitment in progress

Celebrations

- Successful implementation of new Learning Coach progress update model
- Record breaking high engagement in FastBridge screening
- Continuous improvement in technology infrastructure and support
- We are all on Module 3 of the legislated ReadAct CARIEALL training. Staff are working super hard to get this done and I have heard many positive and powerful statements

such as "I wish I learned this in college" and "I can't wait to use this scope and sequence for my planning" and "Now I understand why we are doing xyz!"

Seat Based Programming

Minnesota test scores are hanging at 40-50% mastery. Our reading scores are above this, which is great! Unfortunately, math scores are below this average. By teaching one grade level only, we are truly hoping that our math instruction is more specific, personalized and increasing each day. We also have the new math curriculum as well as the Spring math repetitive fluency program, which should reinforce our goal of increasing our scores.

We are also using the new FASTBRIDGE screener. We have had a bit of confusion on the administration of it, and we are still working on streamlining the process. All students must be screened within the first six weeks of school. We have nearly all of the students screened and we are only 9 days in!!

We have begun the inhouse library process. Mindy Glazier has done research and we are beginning to purchase and process. We will also be going to the community library one time per month.

We have had students express interest in the van. Along with the extra curricular transportation policy, here are a few more specifics: For the 24-25 school year, we are offering van service for CCS Middle School students wishing to participate in middle school sports in the Pequot Lakes School District. This service is restricted to Pequot Lakes as it is the designated home district and within proximity of Crosslake Community School. Students who are eligible for this service will be leaving the Crosslake campus at approx 2:30 with stops made at the Breezy Point hockey arena, and Pequot Middle/High School. Scheduled practices must begin before 4:00 in order for students to participate. Parents must give full permission for students to utilize this service. All regular bus rules and policies will apply. This is one way transportation. Parents are to pick up students at the end of the practice each day at the Pequot Lakes facility.

In honor of 9-11 and Patriot day, students and staff who wished to, were able to wear red, white and blue. A few staff gathered to sing the national anthem. We also read about 9-11 history and spoke about patriotism.

Our enrollment has increased slightly. The primary grades are very full, and our middle school is lower in numbers, technically leaving openings. However, due to the online size, we are wondering about putting the seat based school in a waiting list situation as well, as our contract with OW does state 500 students PK-12.

It's bumpy and rough, but we still have access to both entrances of our school. We are extremely happy about this!! The construction keeps going!

During the Osprey Wilds training, we learned many things. One focus for me was to make sure the board knows how teachers are observed. These forms, one quick check, a very comprehensive summative one, and a classroom walk through guide for less formal

observations either by the director, curriculum coordinator, or the HRS coordinator. I have also included the forms for the paraprofessionals and non-teaching staff.

Multiple teachers are over half finished with the CAREIALL training which is now mandatory for the Read Act. This is a very intense training. I'm so proud of these people!