

Community Education Director Report

January 16, 2017

Community Education

1. The participation numbers for Ranger Care at CRES for January is 35 participants each week: 10 children participated in the morning and 25 children participated in the afternoons on a regular basis. The numbers of participants vary each day according to their child care needs. The average number of participants each day is 17 in the afternoons and 8 in the mornings.
2. The Art Club meets in the Art Room at the High School every Wednesday afterschool from 3:00pm – 4:30 pm. The Art Club is for students in grades 7-12. We have been averaging 21 participants this month. Mr. Andrew Otterstad is the advisor.
3. The Cuyuna Range SALT (Service Adventure Leadership Team) is averaging 14 participants at their weekly meetings this month. This group is for students in grades 10-12 at the Crosby-Ironton High School. The group's service project is collecting supplies donated for Tanzania. The group had a fundraiser for this project at the Pizza Ranch on January 16, 2017. Mrs. Kristine Anderson is the SALT advisor.
4. Destination Imagination began at CRES in December. There are two Destination Imagination groups: grades 2-4 and grades 5-8. The classes are held after-school from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. Currently, we have 40 students participating in grades 2-4 and 12 students in grades 5-8. We will have 7 teams participating in regional competitions. Ms. Amelia Udenberg and Mr. Jade Liebl are the advisors.
5. High School Robotics began for students in grades 9-12 in January. Building on the robot began the week of January 3, 2017 with competition in February. We are currently pursuing funding sources to help fund the team. 30 students are participating in robotics this year, which is an increase of 8 students from last year. Mr. Mike Gindorff and Landon Brainerd are advisors.
6. Elementary Boys' and Girls' Basketball Tournament for students in grades 4-6 will be on Saturday, January, 28th, 2017 at CIHS. We currently have 23 boys' and girls' teams registered for our tournament. We need one more 4th grade boys' team to fill our tournament at 24 teams.
7. The Community Education Advisory Council met on January 10, 2017 in the Forum Room at CIHS. There were nine people in attendance. The council worked on a variety of Community Education topics and will meet again on February 28, 2017 at 4:00 pm in the High School Forum Room. The main focus of the meeting was to have each council member share their priorities for Community Education.
8. Community Education is pursuing a new facility scheduler and calendar for the school district. We are working with R school to add these modules to our account. We currently use R school for activities scheduling.
9. We continue to pursue other social media options for the Crosby-Ironton Community Education Department. Crosby-Ironton Community Education is now on twitter @CI_Com_Ed. Feel free to follow community education on twitter.

10. Online registration options for community education classes are being explored. We will be pursuing an online registration program with activities department. We are currently looking at three different options for programs. The programs have the capabilities of doing online registrations and class management for both: Community Education and Activities Departments.
11. The volunteer hours for December at CRES were 287.25 hours. Mrs. Devan Bartels is the volunteer coordinator.

Adult Basic Education (ABE)

1. We are collaborating with Brainerd, Pequot Lakes, and Pine River in the Brainerd ABE Consortium for 2016-2017 Adult Basic Education classes. The Consortium will be having the second semi-annual meeting at the end of April in Brainerd.
2. Five people are participated in ABE programming in December from the Crosby area at CLC.
3. The Consortium is working on the re-application process with Minnesota Department of Education which is due at the end of March.

Early Childhood

1. Fabulous Fridays (Early Childhood Family Education) classes are held every Friday morning in the Early Childhood Center. The classes are taught by both: Parent Educator and Early Childhood Teacher. The Parent Educator works with parents in breakout sessions, while the teacher works with the children on developmental skills. 16 adults and 22 children have attended classes weekly in January.
2. The Early Childhood Parent Advisory Council is planning a Winter Carnival for February 11, 2017 at CRES. They are also working on early childhood events and projects they would like to have throughout the year.
3. Parent Education Classes (ECFE) was to begin at CRES on Monday evenings in January. We did not have enough families registered, so the class was canceled.
4. Early Childhood Family Education will have gym nights every Monday in March at CRES for children ages 2-5.
5. The Early Childhood Staff and the administration is working to develop the schedule and programming for next year.

Respectfully submitted,

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