## Northland Community Schools

Independent School District #118

**School Board Report** 

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- Highlighting Grades 3rd Grade (from Ms. Knapp)
  - Third graders have an opportunity to start the Strings program, and from the sounds of it there are a couple in 3rd grade who are enrolled and ready to start learning a new string instrument.

**DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT:** *To educate and inspire all learners to reach their full potential.* 

- We are participating in the Go Wild Fruits and Vegetables program A nutrition educator from University of Minnesota Extension, Health and Wellness department, visits our classroom once a month to teach the students about fruits and vegetables. The fruits and vegetables are divided into color groups: blue and purple, red, green, orange and yellow, and tan and white. Each lesson features a different Go Wild animal character that will help your child learn about the importance of eating fruits and vegetables from the different color groups. As part of the program, your child will taste different fruits and vegetables, be physically active, and learn more about wild animals that live in our state. At the end of each lesson, the students get to try a fruit/vegetable based on the days' lesson. The class is so excited about it, that they keep asking when the next time she will come.
- O January 27-30, we will be participating in a new Residency program offered by Como Park Zoo and Conservatory to 3rd Grade classrooms throughout the state. There was an application process, and we were accepted into this new, unique program!! There is no cost for this opportunity. Due to being outside of an hour drive time, they will be sending a Residency Specialist to our school to facilitate the program for the week. This is an experience that our students otherwise wouldn't have an opportunity to get. As the teacher, I am really excited for my students and this unique experience.
  - This is the link for the program: https://comozooconservatory.org/como/third-grade-residency-program/#
- Month of January we started learning cursive. The class is super excited about this and the engagement in these lessons are near 100%!
- Week of January 13, started animal research projects. Students got to pick an animal, and were taught how to research information on that animal using the internet and books. When they are finished, they will be able to present their project as a poster and/or a flip book.

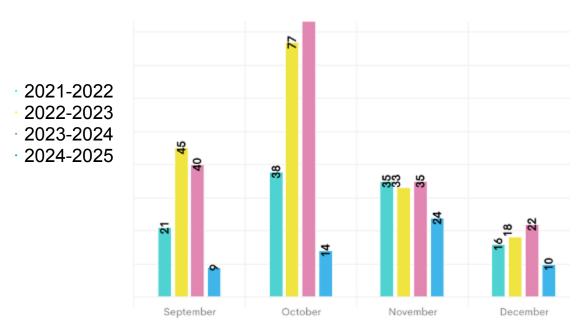
## **Updates:**

- Northland was <u>not</u> awarded the Lake Country Power Grant for our playground restoration idea. I will try again next year.
- LETRS training pacing Unit 2, Session 8
- January PLD Planning for 1/20

• HRS Summit in San Antonio from January 29-31, 4 members of Leadership are attending.

## **PBIS:**

- Our PBIS team inputs the data and then processes the information to create action plans for specific grade levels and students.
- December PBIS Report
- Only 10 referrals for the month of December



## **Proposals:**