



To: Board of Education

From: Katie Spisich

Re: Board Report

Date: 2/5/2025

Goal 1: Engagement

- PTO hosted a K-5 Science Night centered on "How the Body Works," featuring local vendors with engaging, hands-on activities for students. The event was a great success with strong community participation.
- The PTO hosted a Culver's Share Night, where Mr. Westcott and I joined in serving meals to support the fundraiser.
- Beach instructional coach and literacy teacher collaborated with South Meadows staff by observing fifth-grade literacy blocks, fostering inter-building relationships and curriculum alignment.
- Literacy Lab Day focused on utilizing the district's new screener, Acadience. Teachers collaborated in grade-level groups to analyze data and refine instructional strategies.

Goal 2: Portrait of a Graduate (P.O.G.)

- The district innovation team met in January, providing staff opportunities to share progress and ideas during the February staff meeting. These discussions aligned with fostering creativity, critical thinking, and collaboration.
- Two student teachers from Eastern Michigan University joined our staff, actively contributing to our learning environment while gaining valuable experience, demonstrating a commitment to professional growth and community building.

Goal 3: Health and Safety

- Teachers and staff completed the Behavior and Emotional Screening System (BESS) screener, reinforcing our commitment to student well-being and mental health.
- Our second round of MTSS meetings is scheduled for February 7th, continuing our focus on targeted student support and data-informed interventions.
- Para Appreciation Week is the week of February 10th, and we are excited to celebrate and recognize the dedication and hard work of our incredible para staff!

Respectfully,

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