

CRES Board Report: April, 2024

2023-2024 WBWF Goals

All Students Ready for School

- 80% of students in the Little Rangers program who will be entering kindergarten in the fall of 2024 will be able to identify 11 or more uppercase letters, as assessed by the BPS Early Childhood Assessment Kit.

Close the Achievement Gap

- The proficiency gap on the Spring STAR math assessment between CI students qualifying for free and reduced lunch and students not qualifying for free and reduced lunch will decrease from 20% in 2023 to 17.5% in 2024.

Career and College Readiness

- 90% of 9th, 90% of 10th, and 82% of 11th graders at Crosby-Ironton High School will be on track to graduate based on credits at the end of the 2023-2024 school year. *On track is defined as able to still graduate without credit recovery.

All Students Graduate From High School

- 90% of seniors who begin and end the 2023-2024 school year at Crosby-Ironton High School, up from 81.5% on track to graduate their junior year, will graduate.

MCTM Conference

We had a pretty good sized group attend the MN Council of Teachers of Mathematics conference in Duluth on April 12 and 13. We even had two of our own, Kyle Bendson and Rocky LeBlanc, present at the conference. I was scheduled to attend and tag along on the presentation, but I was unable to make it, unfortunately. At the time of this report, I have not had a chance to check in with the team to see how the conference went, but I plan to do so in the very near future. I'm anxious to find out what great ideas they came back with to help make our math program even stronger.

Many Field Trips

This is the season for field trips. Many of our grade levels will be taking trips over the next few weeks. We are very grateful that our students get the opportunity to travel together to learn about, and see, things that they simply wouldn't be able to otherwise. I always look forward to the many positive comments I hear about our students and staff when they go on these trips.

Track and Field Days

The annual CRES Track and Field days are just around the corner. Once again, our 3rd-6th graders will be traveling to the high school track to participate in several different events. Last year's event was as close to an actual high school track meet as you can get, and I'm really looking forward to the same this year. Special thanks goes out to all the people that put in many hours to make this happen. The 3rd-6th grade event is scheduled for May 17th.

The Kindergarten-2nd grade track and field day is scheduled for May 20th. This event will take place on the CRES playground. Special thanks to all who make this event happen every year as well. It's a great time for staff and for students.

The Community Effect

Tyler Scull and his amazing group of volunteers were here on April 10 and 11 to begin the Kindergarten Reading Program. From everything I have heard, this was a great event, and EVERY kindergartner got a chance to work 1 on 1 with a volunteer!

Respectfully submitted;
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