

## Community Education Director Report

April 18, 2016

### Community Education

1. The participation numbers for Ranger Care at CRES in March were consistently at 37 participants registered each week: 11 children participate in the morning and 26 children participate in the afternoons on a regular basis. We are able to cover our staffing need through the end of the year with substitutes.
2. The Art Club meets in the Art Room at the High School every Wednesday afterschool. We currently have 13 students participating each week in January. Mr. Andrew Otterstad is the advisor.
3. The Community Education Department will be accepting registrations for girls' softball teams through April 29, 2016. We will have two teams: 3rd & 4th grade team, 5th & 6th grade team. The girls' softball season begins at the end of May. We play Baxter, Pequot Lakes, Pine River and Pillager.
4. Community Education is also accepting registrations for boys' baseball teams through April 22, 2016. These teams play games against Pequot Lakes, Pine River and Cross Lake. The practices beginning in May and games begin in June. We will have two different age groups playing: 3rd & 4th grade teams, 5th & 6th grade teams. We hope to have two teams at each level.
5. Summer baseball for children in grades 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> will begin in June after the school year ends. We will start the registration process in the middle of May.
6. We are currently working on finishing the summer community education offerings. After they are completed they will be presented to the CE Advisory Council for approval.
7. The Cuyuna Range SALT group is raising funds for Education in Ecuador and will be hosting a documentary film titled "Malala" which will be shown in the Mayberry auditorium on Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup> during 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> hour for students. Tickets will be sold in the commons during lunch starting Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. The movie ticket cost, which includes popcorn, is \$3 or with a donated children's book the cost is \$2. All donated books will be distributed at CRES and our goal is to donate 500 books. Students and staff are encouraged to donate as many children's books as they can during lunch the week of ticket sales, or donated books can be brought to Mrs. Andersen's room.
8. The online registrations options for community education classes will be available through Power Schools (student management system). This system has the capabilities of doing online registrations and class management for the Community Education Department. The process of switching over to Power Schools for Community Education will take place before the beginning of next school year, after some key areas are complete.
9. The volunteer hours for March at CRES were 608.75 hours. We also had 5 Watch D.O.G.S in March. The volunteer numbers through April 16, 2016 were: 283 hours and 5 Watch D.O.G.S.

10. We will be having our “Muffins for Moms” event at CRES in May 17th, 18th, 24th & 26th.

#### Adult Basic Education (ABE)

1. We are still collaborating with Brainerd, Pequot Lakes, and Pine River in the Brainerd ABE Consortium for 2015-2016 Adult Basic Education classes. All of the school districts currently involved in the consortium this year will continue to participate next year. Mrs. Orla Kenton is the ABE instructor.
2. The student contact hours for the consortium this year doubled in the amount of hours compared to last year.
3. 4 people are participating in the program this month from the Crosby area. We will also have one student obtain their GED this month.
4. The Consortium met on April 14 for the second of our semi-annual meetings at CLC. We discussed the past year and new programming for next year.

#### Early Childhood

1. Enrollment for next year school readiness classes will begin on April 19 & 21, 2016 in the Family Center at CRES.
2. “I’m a Big Kid Now” preschool kindergarten prep class at CRES is averaging about 70 students and parents attending each night.
3. Upcoming Early Childhood Events: Fabulous Fridays (ECFE Classes) – February 16 – May 13( 8:15 – 10:00 am), “I’m a Big Kid Now” preschool kindergarten prep class - April 12, 14, 19, & 21 (5:00 – 7:00 pm), End of the year Family Center Picnic, Kindergarten Boot Camp – additional pre-school kindergarten prep – July 12-14, 19 – 21, 26-28 (8:00 am – 12:00 pm).

Respectfully submitted,

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