

Site Report – Nondalton School – January 2018

**To: Superintendent Ty Mase
and LPSD School Board Members**

From: Moon McCarley, Principal

Outstanding Activities and Events

(DEC) The school Christmas program was a success. Teachers felt confident they could pull it off without cutting into instructional time. It was well attended. Of course, the performances were stellar.

Paige Norman hosted the monthly Brain Games family night. Everyone is welcome as long as they bring an adult. Hopefully the adult is a family member. However, any adult is fine. There's always a teacher willing to be someone's guest.

The staff welcomed Hannah Berman and Megan Maloney with a get together to watch the Philadelphia Eagles win their division championship. Ms. Maloney is a lifelong fan.



Personnel

Jared Colross has returned as the PE teacher. He held the position last year.

Caitlin Keith will be returning with her son, Maverick Kentlee Keith, in early March.

Megan Maloney is filling in for Caitlin Keith during her maternity leave.

Hannah Berman is our spring Tutor.



Both Hannah (left) and Megan (right) are interested in returning to LPSD as full time teachers.

Standards Based System/Curriculum Progress

- The secondary science classes are finishing up a unit in Life Science and will be starting Physical Science soon.
- The high school ELA class is reading The Kite Runner.
- Upper elementary has been focusing on writing and reading non fiction text.
- It is a pleasure to watch the kindergarten students learn new things and develop new skills every day!

Technology Progress

Students in Mr. Studie's class will begin online tutoring in early February.

All students are getting a chance to practice using the PEAKS online testing tools with the tutor.



Ms. Berman is helping students do reports and turn them into Prezies, in Mr. Studie's class.

Two students in the high school group are taking distance classes. Nondalton faculty are exploring the possibility of joining the distance delivery program for the 18-19 school year.

Facility Update

- Tim McDermott and the maintenance department continue to be a tremendous support to our school. Tim was integral in getting the community power turned back on after a New Year's Eve wind storm.
- Despite everyone's best efforts we are still waiting for a fuel delivery from Everett's. When that arrives both the housing and school tanks will be well stocked.
- Community water issues create water outages at the housing. Luckily the school has not been impacted, yet.

LSAC Activity

Since the election, LSAC members have taken an active role in supporting the school. When any issues have arisen they are helpful in lending their advice and assistance. They would like to focus on planning Culture Week for the last week of school. Members are; Kristy Jeffries, Ileah Aaberg, Fawn Silas, Robert Kakaruk, and Ada Trefon

Volunteer Report

All of the certified staff volunteered to attend the attendance celebration Lock-In Slumber Party. More details to follow in the February Site Report.

Emily Mulcahy has volunteered as the Student Government advisor all year. She felt it was important the students have a stronger understanding of their roles as leaders, and how a governing council works.

They've done a number of events and continue to plan. Their next project is a live band dance in partnership with the Nondalton Tribal Council

Professional Development

During site based PD, certified staff reviewed student data to rework the certified intervention schedule. Ms. Mulcahy visits the elementary classroom twice a week to work on multiple paragraph essay format. Ms. Broschius visits the secondary writing class to add support while Ms. Keith is gone. Mr. Studie works with small groups from the secondary group, in writing and math.

Pupil Attendance

Because December and January were both partial months, attendance was combined for one big celebration. Students are eagerly anticipating the sleep over. Holiday activities and travel dented our attendance a bit. However, we maintained a strong percentage of students present.

Student and Staff Safety

- Keeping the staff housing heated was a major focus for January. Thanks to Tim McDermott, Ronne Richter, and Gary Alexie the fuel has not run out. This is despite the fact that we have not received a delivery and the community tanker truck has been out of commission.
- It has been made clear that, under NO circumstances, are the school vehicles to be taken on the ice.
- Staying safe and warm during the subzero temperatures was emphasized with students.

Subsistence Calendar

Staff helped students come back from vacation ready to learn. Things feel like they are going fast but everyone is staying on track and making great progress.

Other