

Community Education

- October has been a busy month for the Community Education Department. Several of our fall youth programs are wrapping up flag football, youth soccer, tackle football, gymnastics and Little Spikers Volleyball are all in the books for the 2024-2025 school year. The students had a great time and learned a great deal about the skills of each of these sports. There have also been several very successful youth enrichment classes this fall, one of my favorites was Ready to Erupt. This class was all about volcanoes and how they evolve.
- Work has already started on the 2024-2025 Winter/Spring LPGE Community Education Brochure. The brochure is scheduled to be released at the beginning of January and will include offerings that run through May. If you have any ideas for classes please the LPGE Community Education Office at 320-357- 3613 and we will be happy to assist you.
- LPGE Community Education is very excited to be able to offer an opportunity to participate in a Trip to the Chanhassen Dinner Theater in February to see the highly acclaimed musical "Greece". Participants will travel by charter bus to the theater for dinner and a 1:00 p.m. showing. We only have a couple of spots left as we have had an amazing response to this offering.

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- 21st Century in conjunction with LPGE Community Education, LPGE Elementary and Secondary Schools, and Title Programming will hold the first Stakeholder Advisory Council meeting on Thursday, November 7, 2024. The purpose of this meeting is to seek outside input on several of our programs so that we can better serve our learning community. Each of the hosts will present programming and events that are happening in our schools. The feedback given helps each agency with programming decisions in the future.
- 21st Century hosted our annual "Lights on Afterschool" event and we are very pleased with its success. The event took place on Tuesday, October 15th at the Long Drive-In Theatre. Every student who participates in any 21st Century program was invited to attend an informational video followed by a movie. There were over 200 people in 60+ cars in attendance. A fun informative night was had by everyone in attendance. Hats off to the entire 21 Century staff, especially Barb Graves who spearheaded this event. Also a huge thank you to all of the school staff that braved the snow and wind to help make this a great night for our kids!
- We are bursting at the seams in our Elementary BOLT program. Our participation numbers have surpassed the amount of students that we have staffing for, so we have been forced to enact a waiting list. If you know of anyone who would be willing to teach or be a paraprofessional please let me know.

Federal Programs

- All of our Title programs are funded and approved for the school year. This process is always reflective, as it allows you to evaluate programming and plan for new innovative ideas intended to bolster student achievement.

Brad Evenson



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- “I Scream for Books” which is one of our Family Engagement Activities for our Title programs will take place on Tuesday, October 29th at the Long Prairie Grey Eagle Elementary. This is a night for students and parents/guardians to gain information about our Title Programs, enjoy some fun educational activities, and eat some delicious ice cream.
- On Tuesday, October 1st I attended that MAASFEP Conference in Plymouth. This one-day conference is an opportunity to learn about new mandates and regulations that are required. The conference had a heavy emphasis on the implementation of the Science of Reading. Several staff from MDE offered roundtable discussion time to answer questions and concerns about grant writing, programming, and staffing.