

Medford School Board Meeting December 2022 Medford Elementary – Mr. Carlson

Celebrations/Shout Outs/Notes:

We had two Lego Robotics teams compete at the state robotics tournament last weekend. Both teams did an exceptional job and learned a great deal from the experience. Congratulations to all of our student participants, families & staff who played a role in making this program run successfully.

Elementary staff and students have been participating in a "December to Remember" which started last week. Various dress up days have been planned for students and staff each day of the week. Our goal is to bring cheer to the school day as well as an opportunity for our students to show kindness to others as we head into the holiday break!

Bakken Museum:

The Bakken Museum (Minneapolis) performed an assembly centered around" Electricity and the War of the Currents" last week to our $4^{th} - 6^{th}$ graders. Below is a brief summary of what the presentation's purpose was.

Thomas Edison, Nikola Tesla, and the story of their feud provide a gateway into learning about the science, engineering, and history of electricity and how we generate it. The show engaged students in thinking about this tricky topic through interactive storytelling, humor, and some fascinating demonstrations, including a finale that will leave students feeling energized about science!

School Resource Officer:

Officer Diercks has been visiting classrooms and discussing with the students what an evacuation drill might look like and how they can best protect themselves if we were ever to have to implement an ALICE lockdown drill. This has been allowing students to ask questions regarding this topic and create an environment where our students feel safe and secure.

SADD Program Connection:

The High School SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) members have included our elementary students with their program this year to allow students to become more engaged and aware of what the purpose of this program is. They will implement a coloring contest with each grade and choose a winner on Dec. 19th.

