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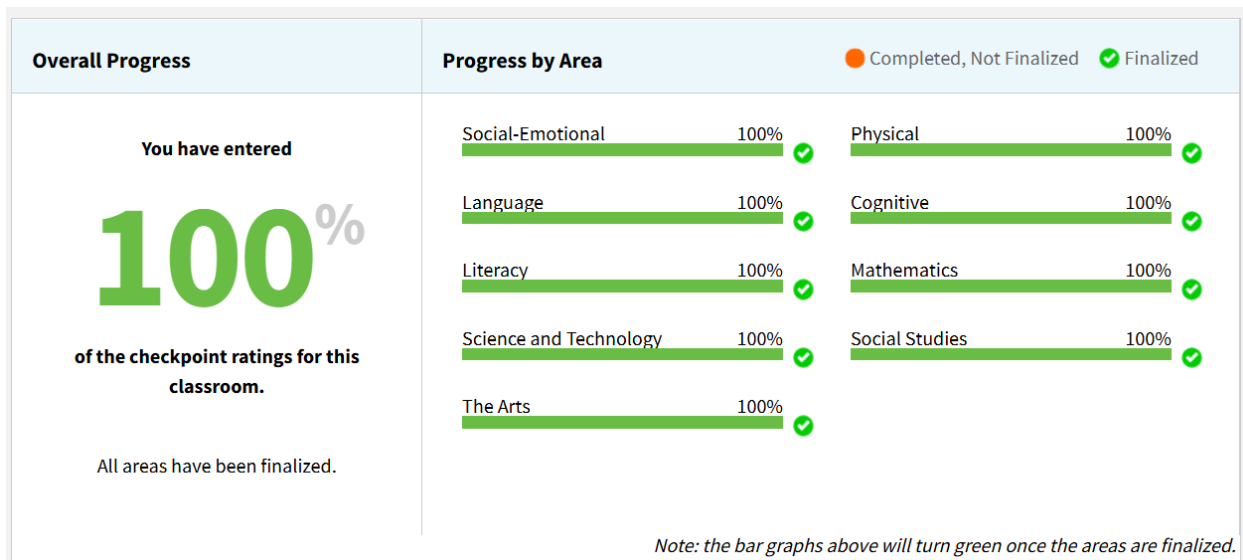
General Education Board Report

Instructional Services:

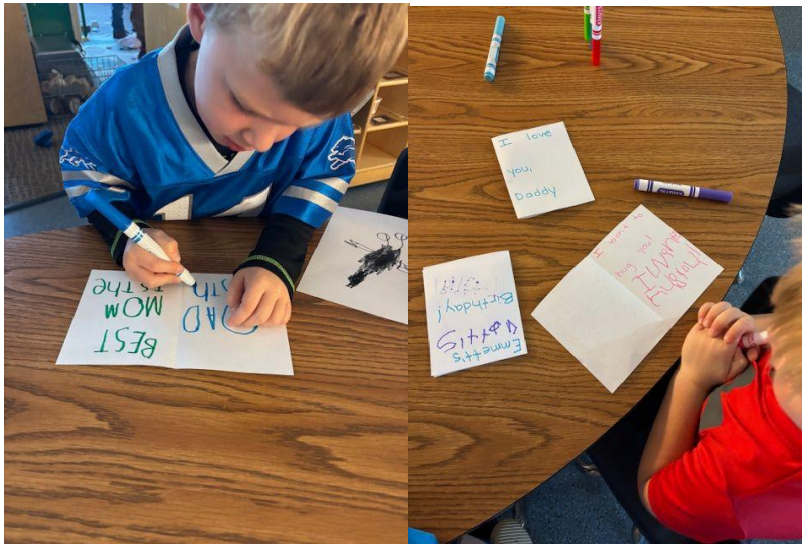
In November, professional learning included attending MichME, participating in Portrait of a Learner work, and collaborating with the Future Learning Council. A book study on *Building Thinking Classrooms in Mathematics* is underway, and emerging instructional tools like SchoolAI and Canva AI were explored. Coaching efforts focused on classroom organization, management systems, effective math planning, improved grading practices, and strategies for supporting English learners. Ongoing support was provided for UFLI implementation in Lakewood Early Childhood Center, Ionia, and with Lakewood kindergarten teachers, who receive biweekly guidance. Additional UFLI training and opportunities to observe expert instruction strengthened capacity to support districts. Fifth-grade teachers received assistance analyzing NWEA and Acadience data to design Tier 2 small-group interventions. Continued collaboration with Portland centers on implementing their Portrait of a Learner initiative.

Great Start Readiness Program:

Teaching Strategies Gold Assessment: GSRP successfully completed their Fall Checkpoint in Teaching Strategies Gold. Staff shared TS Gold reports with families during parent teacher conferences in November. Fall data will be used when generating growth data in the Spring.



Writing in Classrooms:



Making and writing cards. Staff individualized by having words for children to trace, or copy, and some children are writing words on their own with no help.