



Waterville-Elysian-Morristown Public Schools #2143

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9-12 November Board Minutes

Well the spooky season has come and gone with the students participating in a costume contest and a PBIS celebration as we had a low number of student incidents for 1st quarter. Coffee, cocoa and donuts were shared by all with some praise being shared among our faculty and students. Halloween was also the last day of the quarter, as grades were due the following week for any student having an incomplete. I have been told that we had the lowest number of students not passing in a long time, so super proud of our teachers for bringing the students to a great place and for the students working hard the last couple of weeks of the quarter.

The second quarter has started as we are in the third full week with eyes on Thanksgiving Break in our sights. We were sad at how the season ended for our football, volleyball and cross country teams, but super proud at how our student body supported each other over the length of the season and are excited for basketball and wrestling to start soon enough. Our school play, Sherlock Holmes, was a great success as the cast performed for our community over two nights. It was a great event that had many audience members laughing and enjoying a night out in our school auditorium.

Conferences will be shared with tonight's board meeting. We didn't have a great showing the first time around (it was hard to compete with an away football game on the same night), but we are hoping for a great turnout to ensure that parents, students and staff are all on the same page of this quarter's educational goals. We have had a great start of our year, and hope it continues as the snow falls and the temperatures drop.

We are in the planning stages of middle school/high school schedules for next year. We are meeting with teachers and discussing wants/needs for next year as we bring the Morristown staff and students over to the Waterville building. We have a lot of great ideas to increase choice for students and to make this K-12 building a united group as WEM heads to a new era of educational greatness. We are excited about the process and look forward to updating the school board with ideas that we have and the changes that may be coming.

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