

Community Education Director Report

May 17, 2016

Community Education

1. The participation numbers for Ranger Care at CRES in April were consistently at 36 participants registered each week: 10 children participate in the morning and 26 children participate in the afternoons on a regular basis. We are able to cover our staffing need through the end of the year with substitutes.
2. The Art Club meets in the Art Room at the High School every Wednesday afterschool. We currently have 15 students participating each week in April and May. Mr. Andrew Otterstad is the advisor.
3. C-I Ranger Summer Fun and Fitness Program will begin the week of June 13th at CIHS. The program is Mondays and Wednesdays through July for students in grades 5-8. Historically, this has been a very popular class with Brian Syrstad as the instructor.
4. Gardening Adventures for students in 3rd or 4th grade will begin at CRES on June 14th. The participants will learn the art of gardening. This will include: working a gardening spot at the Community Garden, classroom exercises and visiting a green house.
5. Elementary softball teams began practicing last week with games beginning in June. We have two different age groups playing: 3rd & 4th grade teams, 5th & 6th grade teams. 3rd and 4th grade girls' do not have enough for a team, yet. We are still trying to get more girls registered for that team. There will be two 5th & 6th grade teams. The girls play Pequot Lakes, Pine River, Walker, Pierz and Pillager.
6. Elementary baseball teams began practices in May with games beginning in June. We have two different age groups playing: 3rd & 4th grade teams, 5th & 6th grade teams. There is one 5th & 6th grade team and two 3rd & 4th grade teams.
7. Summer baseball for children in grades 7th, 8th & 9th will begin in June after the school year ends. We are currently accepting registrations. Bryan Syrstad is the coach.
8. We are currently working on finishing the summer community education offerings. After they are completed they will be presented to the CE Advisory Council for approval.
9. The Cuyuna Range SALT group is raising funds for Education in Ecuador and hosted a documentary film titled "Malala" which was shown in the Mayberry auditorium on Friday, April 29th during 2nd and 3rd hour for students. The event was very popular with the students raising \$500 and donating 312 books to CRES.
10. The online registrations options for community education classes will be available through Power Schools (student management system). This system has the capabilities of doing online registrations and class management for the Community Education Department. The process of switching over to Power Schools for Community Education will take place before the beginning of next school year, after some key areas are complete.
11. The volunteer hours for April at CRES were 606 hours. We also had 7 Watch D.O.G.S in April. Volunteer hours from May1 to May 16 were 279.
12. Muffins for Moms events at CRES are May 17th, 18th, 24th & 26th.

Adult Basic Education (ABE)

1. We are still collaborating with Brainerd, Pequot Lakes, and Pine River in the Brainerd ABE Consortium for 2015-2016 Adult Basic Education classes. All of the school districts currently involved in the consortium this year will continue to participate next year. Mrs. Orla Kenton is the ABE instructor.
2. Six people are participating in the program this month from the Crosby area.

Early Childhood

1. Enrollment for next year school readiness classes is going very well. Most of the classes are filling up with just a couple spots available in each section.
2. The Early Childhood Parent Advisory Council met on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at CRES. Various early childhood topics were discussed with recruiting new members as the most pressing issue.
3. Early Childhood Team met on Friday, May 6 at CRES. Discussions took place about the current class schedule and timing of the classes. How we can make changes to our classes to serve more participants
4. Upcoming Early Childhood Events: Fabulous Fridays (ECFE Classes) – February 16 – May 13(8:15 – 10:00 am), End of the year Family Center Play Night –May19 (4:00-6:00 pm), Kindergarten Boot Camp – additional pre-school kindergarten prep – July 12-14, 19 – 21, 26-28 (8:00 am – 12:00 pm). Boot Camp Classes are filling very quickly with only three spots remaining for this summer.

Respectfully submitted,

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