DIXON PUBLIC SCHOOLS #170

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BUILDING REPORTS - Feb. 17, 2021 Board meeting

Events/activities at Dixon High School

Winter sports contests have begun at Dixon High School and although we have a limit of 50 spectators, Mr. Shaner, Mrs. Bailey and the Tech Department have installed cameras in the gym so that our games can be broadcasted on the NFHS network. The counselors are meeting with students, starting with our current juniors, to schedule classes for next fall. Finally, I would like to recognize the custodial staff at Dixon High School for the fantastic job they have been doing during these trying times.

Events/activities at Reagan Middle School

February Student of the Month - David Laird

<u>Royal Review</u> – Winter 2021 Edition - <u>https://5il.co/p6ys</u>

Scholastic Bowl -

RMS Scholastic Bowl is in its beginning stages of practice, with 5 matches already scheduled, to begin in a couple of weeks. We have around 20 kids and have to be a bit creative, but we are very excited to compete!

Art – Second Quarter Projects



Tech -

7th Grade students created the Dream Bedroom project using Microsoft PowerPoint.



<u>ELA</u> -

Some 7th grade students have made Valentine's Day cards that will be delivered to Lee County Nursing home. I will text you pictures of kids working.



7th grade language arts classes have begun reading *The Outsiders*, a favorite of many. Throughout the novel, students are forming connections through responsive writing and class discussions.

Science -

7th Grade Science students tested and observed the function of the cell membrane and osmosis in an "eggcellent" lab!





RMS Family and Community Engagement Committee -

Virtual Career Exposition was held on February 2^{nd} - Bob Thompson was the presenter.



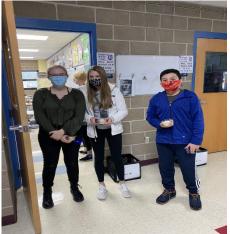
<u>Band</u> – Having socially distant group rehearsals during Advisory time in the gym! One step closer to full band rehearsals!



1st Semester Celebration -

Culver's donated frozen custard for office staff to handout to students who passed all of their first semester core classes.







Safety and Security Committee - AED Donation from Advance EMS of Dixon



Safe2Help - Program rollout to students during Advisory on 2/4 and 2/5



Events/activities at Madison School

Madison and Reagan students put on a fabulous show!

We are very proud of our Madison and Reagan students who put on a fabulous show in collaboration with Woodlawn Arts Academy! The performance may be viewed online in addition to their in-person performances that were already held.

https://woodlawnartsacademy.com/events/moana-jr-online-premiere/



DPS continues to partner with and support KSB's babysitting academy!

Below, 4th grade teacher Kim Bork teaches future babysitters about helping with homework on paper and online.



Valentines Day Learning Fun!

Although we still aren't able to have guests for our classroom party days, our teachers are finding multiple ways to make those days special for our students with treats, games, and STEM challenges related to Valentines Day!





(Mrs. Bushman's students make Valentines' for nursing home residents)

CLEAR training and consultation continue

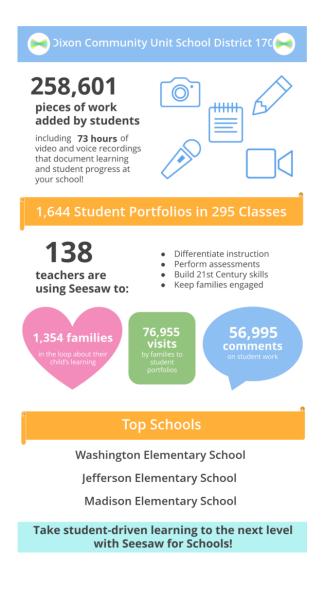
All staff will participate in another training with our CLEAR consultant, Dr. Beth Cunningham on Thursday, February 25th. Dr. Cunningham continues to provide coaching support to teachers on Trauma informed practices with individual students as well as the whole class.



(CLEAR consultant, Dr. Beth Cunningham)

It's amazing how far remote engagement has come!

While it is far from perfect, it's amazing how far our teachers have come engaging students online in less than a year since "remote learning" became a well known term. Below is a quick graphic put out by Seesaw highlighting the great work of our elementary teachers!



Events/activities at Jefferson School

Mrs. Thorpe will provide items at your place at the Board meeting.

Events/activities at Washington School

CLEAR Social Emotional Program:

Dr. Beth Cunningham is a Clinical Psychologist, from Florissa, that has been trained by CLEAR to provide Washington and Madison Schools a variety of Social Emotional supports throughout the school year and beyond. Dr. Cunningham provided a consult day on February 4, 2021 to discuss various student issues with teachers and develop programming. Dr. Cunningham also will provide another consult day, and professional development, on February 18, 2021. This ongoing student/staff training, and consultation, will continue in March.

Bully Prevention:

The YWCA has been teaching Virtual Bully Prevention to our kindergarten students since the middle of January. They will continue teaching Bully Prevention to our 1st Graders through the month of March.

Registered Students:

- -76 Pre-K students have registered (40 remote and 36 blended)
- -148 Kindergarten students registered (34 remote and 113 blended)
- -170 1st Grade students registered (48 remote and 122 blended)
- -Kindergarten class average is 20 students for blended classrooms
- -Kindergarten class average is 14 students for remote classrooms
- -1st Grade class average is 20 students for blended classrooms
- -1st Grade class average is 15 students for remote classrooms

SeeSaw Communication Data up to December 10, 2020:

- -98,359 Posts Added
- -15,938 Comments made on student work
- -37,811 Likes of Students Work
- -18,820 Visits by Family Members
- -434 Guardians are connected to SeeSaw