

TO: Staunton CUSD No.6 School Board Members

FROM: Nancy Werden, Staunton Elementary Principal

DATE: February 19, 2019

RE: Board of Education Report

1. Family Engagement:

Mrs. Newton has been working with our Pre-K parents and holding Family Engagement Events. This month she had a Food and Meal Planning on February 4 and she will have an all family event on February 21 with Dot the Story Teller. Events are well attended. She is also running the Parent Lending Library and she has had several families check out materials to work with their children.

2. Olympiad and Spelling Bees:

Our students in the elementary will be competing in the Olympiad and Spelling Bee that the Regional Office of Education 40 has each year. Grades 3-8 competed in teams of four for the Olympiad and each grade 4-8 held a spelling bee and the top two students will move on to the regional competition. The Olympiad competitions are a good way for students to work in teams and solve problems using reasoning skills, designing and building structures, and learning how to solve problems in new and innovative ways.

Spelling Bee Qualifiers 2019:

4th Grade: Matthew Brister and Brielle Mitchelar

5th Grade: Mason Vollentine and Luke Tebbe

Olympiad Teams Grades 3-5:

3rd Grade:

Grace Cline

Aiden Saracco

Emily Eldred

Blaine Sievers

4th Grade:

Madelyn Davin

Cadence Miller

Izzabell Janus

Luke Moore

5th Grade:

Aadi Patel

Vera Townsend

Matthew Weitzel

Brooklynne Barnes

GOOD LUCK TO ALL TEAMS!!

3. WORK WITH CONSULTING FIRM:

The Elementary team began work with the AIR, American Institute for Research, to start the process of school improvement for our areas identified as underperforming. One of the representatives will also be working with all teachers and staff districtwide on February 15, 2019 during our half-day in-service.