

# Principal Report to Education Committee

## K-6 School Updates:

**Enrollment:** As of 8/27 we have 187 students enrolled in grades K-6. The breakdown is as follows:

Kdgn—18	1st Grade—33	2nd Grade—25
3rd Grade—15	4th Grade—37	5th Grade—31
6th Grade—27		

Preschool Enrollment is as follows:

MWF AM—16	MWF PM—11	TTH AM—14
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The TH PM class has been eliminated due to low enrollment. Those registered for that class have been consulted and moved to the TH AM class. Mrs. Ziegler has been reduced to an 80% position.

## Physical Education:

Mrs. Grundahl will be undergoing double knee replacement surgery at the end of August and will be out of school for approximately 6—8 weeks. Mr. Mick Cavill has been hired as her long-term substitute. Mike is a graduate of Appalachian State University with a degree in Exercise Science Research and a degree in Physical Education from UW-La Crosse. He was recently a Elementary PE teacher in the Verona Area School District. Mike attended our staff in-service week to get familiar with our school and to work with Mrs. Grundahl.

## School Counselor

Catholic Charities has been contacted, and we have contracted with them for a school counselor 1 day a week. Kay Cram is a Licensed Professional Counselor with an M.S. degree in Guidance and Counseling with over nineteen years of experience in the mental health field including work within Catholic Schools. She has provided individual, family, and group counseling for children and adolescents in a variety of settings. Through Catholic Charities she has provided school counseling and consultation to Catholic schools in the Diocese of Madison and the Diocese of La Crosse. She has worked with students through individual and group counseling and classroom guidance. She has also provided consultation and supportive services to teachers, other school staff, and parents. In addition to school guidance, Kay works at the UW coordinating trainings on the latest research and best practices in mental health and substance abuse as well as providing technical assistance to counties throughout Wisconsin.

## Building Update:

The SMART Boards have been installed at the correct height and the projectors mounted to the ceiling. The portable SMART Board will be utilized in the school library.

The magnetic White Boards have been installed over the existing slate chalkboards in the 1940 building. The locker rooms are being painted and hooks installed for 5-6 grade PE class use.

## Food Pantry

The Waunakee Food Pantry will be relocating to St. Andrew's church beginning in September after 25 years of being here in our school. The move is bitter sweet, but is good for the program as they will be able to move to a larger facility that will better meet their clients needs.

### **2010-2011 School Goals:**

Based on the Family Survey Results, Education Commission Survey Sub-Committee Comments and School Staff input, the following school wide goals have been created for the 2010-2011 school year.

1. To further educate and define the enrichment activities for families that meet the needs of all students.
2. To establish a Bullying prevention curriculum.
3. To establish and monitor specific behavior expectations for inside and outside the school.
4. To create opportunities for parents to volunteer in a meaningful way
5. To continue to build a Service Learning program
6. To implement 4 Wellness Weeks
7. To migrate from Churchwerks to Cornerstone as the Student Information System for the school
8. To conduct a comprehensive Self Study that involves members from all aspects of the school community.

These goals will be presented at the September 1st meeting.

### **Gear Up for School Day**

The annual Gear Up for School Day was held on Friday, August 27th. Approximately 90% of the families took advantage of this day to help prepare their children for the 1st day of school.

### **Draft Procedures**

Please see the attachments for Draft Procedures that should be discussed for adoption.

### **Medication Administration Changes**

WI Act 160 requires any school personnel engaged in the dispensation or application of medications to students to complete a certified training course consistent with the medical procedures they are using. The new law, which takes effect March 1, 2011 includes all prescription and non-prescription drugs.

The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has completed a contract with SchoolMeds, Inc to train public and private school personnel. This program which is funded by DPI for the 2010-2011 school year is currently free to private school employees; however the allotment of 2,000 slots seriously limits the number of employees each private school can train.

At this time, Mrs. Stark, Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Niesen have been designated as school employees to receive this training. Course 1 covers oral medications. Course 2 covers non-oral applications such as inhalers, nebulizers and eye and ear medication. Course 3 covers emergency procedures such as rescue inhalers, and the administration of epinephrine or glucagon. To complete certification for Course 2 and 3 a healthcare professional, such as a registered nurse, must witness the applicant's skills after they complete the on-line course.

Parents must completely adhere to the guidelines in this act which delineates how medication can be sent to school and what needs to take place in order for the medication to be administered during school hours.

There are specific issues that need to be addressed by March 10, 2011 so that private school will be in compliance. These include specific cases of food allergies, diabetes, rescue inhalers. There is also a concern about what personnel must be on a field trip in order to be in compliance. These questions will be posed to the State Legislature by WCRIS and the Diocese of Madison.