January, 2024

# Rick Wiersma, High School Principal

## **Student Count**

9-64 10-84 11-82 <u>12-78</u> <u>308</u>

# **Staffing**

No Changes

# <u>Curriculum</u>

No changes

# Past Events

12/18-12/19- Semester 1 Final Exams 1/3/24- Semester 2 Began 1/15/24- No Students due to All Day Staff PD

# **Upcoming Events**

The Special Education team is taking a group of students to visit Michigan Career and Technical Institute in Plainwell for a visit on 1/19/24.

The Ski Club is taking its first skiing outing on 1/19/24 to Caberfae Peaks skiing area.

# Dale Rogers, Middle School Principal

- 6 86
- 7 81
- 8 69

Total 236

# Middle School

3 Ferris Student Teachers are working with the Middle School

Room 204 will be converted the week of January 29th into a Maker Studio

Teachers are excited to move into their new classrooms.

MDE OST grant with Ferris States help has been approved for Spring and Summer. More details will be given at future Board meetings it will be great things for our students

# Athletics

Middle School girls started the Basketball season.

High School Basketball is mid-season.

Varsity Girls won the Reed City Holiday Tournament

# <u> John Nawrot, Morley Stanwood Elementary Principal</u>

**January 3:** School resumed following Christmas Break. The shortened week offered a nice transition back to structure and routine for staff and students.

**January 8:** A representative team from the elementary school (Susan Medler, Bruce Bennett, and I) attended a MICIP/CNA training session at the MOISD. This training session was led by Sara Shriver who also leads my Title I Principal's Trainings. The team was able to learn more about the MICIP process and complete significant work on the CNA. The elementary school hopes to send representatives from the continuous improvement team to the two remaining sessions this year.

## **On-Going Matters:**

I utilized the snow & power outage days to finalize the awards for students based on our Winter Benchmark Assessments. Students will receive awards for being in the Top 10 scores at their grade level in the areas of Reading & Math. Students will also receive a Rapid Riser award for demonstrating growth at or above the 85th percentile from Fall to Winter. In total 363 awards will be given out to 237 students.

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2023-2024	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
DK	15	14	14	14	14
Kdg.	66	70	71	72	71
1st	75	73	74	75	74
2nd	65	65	67	68	68
3rd	66	67	67	67	67
4th	80	78	82	82	83
5th	63	64	63	63	63
ECSE	13	13	14	14	14
Total	443	444	452	455	454

### Enrollment:

# Jamey Nelson, Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Director

#### **Curriculum:**

**Continued** - Implement with fidelity and review gaps.

#### <u>Assessment</u>

Mid year assessments are completed in the elementary and middle school. High School will have SAT prep coming up in the following months.

#### **Professional Development**

**Continued** - January is our next professional development day. It will be an extension of the priority standards training we started in August. Tested standards are at the forefront to improve our state assessment scores. This continues to lead us to standards based instruction and learning which is skilled centered growth over task completion.

### School Improvement

MICIP platform has been updated for the 2023-2024 school year. Review is on 12-14-23 to update progress and begin planning for the 2024-2025 school year. Training for processes has begun through the ISD. We will have completed Comprehensive Needs Assessments by March 11th.

### School Safety

We had our safety review walkthrough with S.E.C. (Secure Environment Consultants). We did not have any glaring deficiencies. We will receive a detailed report of suggested improvements over time. Training from our new Mecosta County Emergency Manager will occur in February.

## Phil Stier, Technology Director

Rapping up things for occupancy is the focus. Paging speakers are being installed and phones are being placed in the new locations. Smart panels were installed over break and are configured for use.

# Kristy Thompson, Transportation Director

No report at the time of posting.

# **<u>Cindy Sutherland, Food Service Director</u>**

No report at the time of posting.

## Lori Bruggema, Special Education Supervisor

Discipline and Transition procedures are being monitored and are working well. Request for CAP verification and closeout in both areas has been submitted. Our special education staff have been completing training in these areas as well as working diligently to provide services to students. We are also currently working on revising Child Find procedures. According to the MOISD Special Education Summary, Morley Stanwood is meeting the state target of 100% in Timely IEP's for initial evaluations being completed within the 30 day timeline or agreed upon extension.

### **Candance Nielsen, 6-12 Behavior Intervention Report**

Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) is in full swing at the middle and high school levels. Administration and staff recognize establishing school-wide expectations with students sets the tone for the classroom. Spending time getting to know students while using strategies to deepen connections every day, builds a healthy classroom environment and lays the foundation for learning.

Both the HS and MS teams are building connections and recognizing students daily/weekly with "shout-out's" and "raffle drawings" for those who are demonstrating the characteristics of exceptional learners and strong character. Students are also enjoying recognizing these same attributes in their teachers! It is our amazing staff that are really leading the way- making education a priority and standing strong for trying new strategies that help all students feel cared about and encouraged.

## Kellsey Fairris, Grant Coordinator

Final allocations for the Consolidated Application (Title Grants) were released Wednesday night. I will be working with Mr. Nelson and the building principals to allocate the rest of these funds. We did see a bit of an increase in Title I, which is very nice. Title I allocations are directly tied to the household income forms submitted for Food Service, our thanks to Cindy Sutherland for her diligent work on this. In previous years we have

January, 2024 saw a decline in Title I due to families not completing this form as we are already 100% free but it is so, so important to the district!

Mr. Nelson and I are working very hard to complete the 23g Michigan Kids Back on Track grant. This grant has taken a substantial amount of work with very little guidance from the state. The allowable expenses are very limited but we received an allocation of \$167,678. We will keep you informed as we come up with ideas of how these funds will best serve our students.

In the January state aid, we will be receiving our first allocation of 27L Educator Compensation. We will be waiting for clarification from MDE as what an "educator" is. This is the first time we have received an allocation of this kind so there are many details we are currently lacking.

In the Finance world I am working on completing all of the Calendar year end duties including W2's, 1099, 1095s and various other reports. My hope is to have this all wrapped up in the coming weeks and see you at the February board meeting for a Budget Update!