

## Curriculum/Professional Development

### Summer Professional Development

Several of our teachers and principals are attending classes and workshops this summer paid for with our Title IIA funds.

- Project Lead the Way training
- Effectiveness Project
- SITA (Summer Instructional Technology Academy)
- Literacy Link – Multi-sensory Approach
- CMP (Comprehensive Musicianship through Performance)
- Classroom Management
- Reading and Writing
- Daily 5
- Supporting Positive Behaviors

### Professional Development Survey

A survey to teachers went out asking for their feedback on in-service training this past year and thoughts and ideas for next year. The response rate was quite favorable (over 50%), and the survey data will be utilized by the principals as they plan for 2016-17 professional development.

### Project Lead The Way (PLTW)

In addition to summer training, Jill Ahles our PLTW coordinator is working on putting together a PLTW partnership team and has been working closely with SMCS technology to make sure we are ready for PLTW implementation.

### Enrollment

The first round of the WPCP voucher selection was announced today. SMCS was awarded 98 vouchers of 115 verified applications. Families must commit to accept the voucher by June 29. After that, a second round of selection will take place, and so on, until all of the seats are awarded and accepted.

Enrollment for 2016-17 is currently at 886 total students; our September 2015 total enrollment was at 914. The variance of 28 is primarily in early childhood (97 vs 126 = 29); this is attributed to additional fallout to Neenah 4K program and some students not yet registered for SMCS.

The “Grow Enrollment” strategic initiative task force has presented the following “pilot” dashboard for tracking their metrics for next year:

**SMCS Recruitment & Retention Dashboard**

Enrollment		Retention		Recruitment	
Goal = Average Number of Students at Each Grade Level	80	Transition Grade Goal	80%	Goal = New students per year beginning 17/18 school year	30
Current Average =	60.7	Current Rate =	82%	Current for 16/17 (K-12) =	48
		PK/K	76%		
Growth Goal =	3%	5/6	92%		
Current =		8/9	78%		

## Staffing/Benefits/Safety

We have been working with BSG to recruit a SMCS Maintenance Supervisor. A second interview was conducted this week with an SMCS alumni candidate; references were favorable, and an offer will be presented.

Recruiting continues for the Alumni Relations Coordinator and MS/Elementary Athletic/Activities role.

We continue to conduct interviews for the high school Learning Specialist position and other teacher/aide openings.

Julie Castagna has signed a contract as HS Guidance Counselor. She comes highly recommended with previous experience in both public and parochial schools.

Other teacher/aid changes and transfers:

- Michael Hickey will be transferring to the SG campus
- Lindsey Bergstrom will be transferring to the SMM campus
- Sherry Boris and Mary Bergman will be job sharing 4<sup>th</sup> grade at SMM
- Kelly Roloff will transfer from Early Childhood Aide at SG to EC Teacher at SM

## Fine Arts

A plan has been developed for a fall Fine Arts fundraising/friend-raising event on the order of Family Feud. Tentative date for this is October 1.

## Business Services: Technology-Finance-Food Service

The IT department will be cleaning and installing Windows 10 operating system on all laptops and computer devices over the summer.

The school garden has been tilled and planted, and concrete walkways have been poured behind the middle school. Donor and DPI funds will cover the costs.

## Fund Development

**AF: YTD = \$162,700**

A dedicated group of volunteers made almost 200 phone calls this week and more still being made. Calling Alumni who gave LYBNT, General Donors LYBNT, those who made more than one gift last year... and have had success with getting committed pledges (estimate about \$5,000 to be sent as result of phone calls and some who didn't give us an amount, but promised to send a donation). Many of the people who gave twice last are not this year and have cited 'commitments to other causes' for reasons not giving. Reminder postcards were sent to all LYBNT donors on 5/27. AF is prominent on website and is being promoted via FB as well.

**PLEASE think of your friends and family who may have not yet made a gift and urge them to do so before June 30<sup>th</sup>, or if there is anyone who you think may make a second gift to help close the gap. Let Michelle know ASAP.**

Zephyrfest 2017 Update – the date has been moved to April 8 to hopefully avoid decreased attendance due to opening weekend of fishing.

*Zephyr Fields of Dreams:* We continue to receive donations for this project! Currently, we taken in about \$15,000, but will keep promoting the project.

Endowed Funds: Work continues in area of organizing current funds, and promotion of FATE funds has started with targeted donors.