

Elementary School Board Report

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Pittsville School District's Vision and Mission:

Our Vision: Expecting Excellence and Innovation, Honoring Legacy, and Embracing Partnerships.

Our Mission: Expecting Excellence and Integrity from all, developing Innovative students, strengthened through Partnerships with parents and the community.

Student and Staff Notable Learning

Researching PD Opportunities for Staff

Dr. Porter and I are researching options to promote professional development for staff regarding distance learning and developing technology skills using Google. We have participated in zoom meetings with various companies to determine which platforms will be the best fit for us. We will be finalizing our plans soon.

Principal Professional Development

This summer I completed my 6th out of 7th class in the Superintendent Licensure Program through Viterbo. This class focused on servant leadership, ethical decision making, and building character. Thank you for the support as I continue to grow as a leader. I will finish my last class during the summer of 2021.

Innovation and Recognition

New Teacher Meeting

On Tuesday, August 5th, Dr. Porter and I officially welcomed the new professional staff at the Elementary School. From 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., we met with the new counselor and new ELA teacher. During this meeting we gave them an overview of district information and expectations. Each teacher will be assigned a formal mentor through our district mentoring program. New teachers and mentors will meet once a week for the entire school to ensure the new staff members feel supported. I also meet 1:1 with new teachers on a bi-weekly basis to ensure they feel supported by me their first year.

Looking Ahead

Thank you to the School Board

The staff of Pittsville Elementary School wants to thank the school board for their ongoing support. We would like you to know we are prepared to make any instructional model work. We thank you and are looking forward to starting the school year strong with instruction - either in school, through distance learning, or both models.

Optional Staff Meetings

To ensure all staff members have a voice in school-wide scheduling, I have invited all staff to an optional meeting on Tuesday, August 11th.

I have invited Grades 4K-3 to an optional meeting on Wednesday, August 12th to discuss instructional practices. There is also a meeting for Grades 4-8 following the primary meeting.