

RSU #16 Elementary Principals' Report
January 2018

RSU #16 Elementary School News: Our focus of professional development has continued to look at our science and social studies units, how we provide effective feedback to our students, and our PBIS systems. The administrative team has visited both PCS and MCS already to look at how our classroom teachers are defining learning targets and providing feedback to students. It is challenging and exciting work to visit each other's schools!

Individual School News:

Elm Street School	Minot Consolidated School	Poland Community School
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<p><u>Data point of the month:</u> Behavior Data - School-Wide Information System (SWIS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of December 14th, 432 Office Disciplinary Referrals (ODRs) were completed. Average referrals per day: September, 1.1; October, 6.1; November, 13.94; December, 4.36 Average per day was 2.30. 60.65 % are occurring in the classroom. <p><u>Highlights of the past Month:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dominik Frechette was recognized by the Optimist Club School-wide assembly in December once again gave each grade level an opportunity to share what they were learning. Pre- K students were learning about proper assembly behavior (sitting quietly and listening - which they demonstrated quite nicely!) while other grades were learning about Communities or about Christmas Traditions in other countries. Students spoke of books they'd read and writing that they were working on. Other spoke of the research they had done (forms of energy and animals that hibernate). We closed the assembly with a Holiday Sing-A-Long lead by our Music teacher, Mr. Gagnon. It was a nice way to get us all in the Holiday Spirit. Elm Street School is going to fill two needs with one deed - reduce waste and encourage the consumption of healthy snacks! How? By providing a 	<p><u>Data point of the month:</u> Behavior Data- School Wide Information System (SWIS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of December 14th 202 Office Disciplinary Referrals (ODRs) were completed Average referrals per day: Sept. 2.3 ODRs/day, Oct. 4.15 ODRs/day, Nov. 3.44 ODRs/day, Dec. 1.29 ODRs/day (The national average for a school this size is 1.08/day.) 52.48% of these ODR's were from the classroom, which is the location with the greatest number of ODR's <p><u>Highlights of the past Month:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Response to Intervention Team has continued to meet to define the RTI process at MCS in order to address the needs of at students who are at risk based on their academics, behavior, and attendance. The MCS Community Club sponsored their Annual Giving Fair, allowing students to "shop" for loved ones. The Mustang Pride Assembly this month was busy. Like every month, we recognized two students from each classroom for being safe, respectful, and responsible. Three students names were drawn from all of the Cowboy Coupons to receive a Books-A-Million gift card. Students learned about a new walking club for students that will take place at recess. There was a surprise staff performance. The winners of the Door Decorating Contest, sponsored by the MCS Community Club, was announced. Mr. Gagnon also led the school in a sing along. <p><u>Staff Professional Development:</u> At the beginning of the month, our professional development focused on understanding the social emotional needs of our students, identifying at-risk students, and ways to address the needs of these students. Another professional development session was centered on how to use the</p>	<p><u>Data point of the month:</u> Chronic Absenteeism:</p> <p>13-14: 9.1% 14-15: 9.2% 15-16: 8.1% 16-17: 7.6% Current: 9.7%!</p> <p>We have seen an increase in homeless students, hospitalizations and family trips, but both Mrs Comeau and Mrs Trigianni are working with these students and families. There has been one referral to Mrs Hediger.</p> <p><u>Highlights of the past Month:</u> The NED show in December focused on kindness to others and cultural tolerance. It went over really well and students were motivated to help others by the message.</p> <p>Our Panther Pride Assembly featured our Fourth graders presenting their learning around Energy-it's production, usage and impact on the environment. They challenged us all to look at our energy usage as a school and to do all we can to cut back. Much to the delight of all we also had a musical number by The Toe Jams, a staff group!</p> <p>PBIS NEWS: 31 students were recognized for practicing exemplary safe, responsible and or respectful behaviors in school. Students also earned the school-wide reward of duct taping Mr. Benoit to the gym wall, which we did just prior to Christmas break!</p> <p><u>Staff Professional Development:</u> We looked at our SWIS data to determine the day, time location and type of infractions we are seeing most here at PCS. Grade level teams started work around how to create lessons teaching and practicing the correct behaviors to cut down on the infractions we are seeing. In January classroom teachers also will revisit the</p>
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