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Erickson Collegiate Community Report, June 2008

Mission Statement

We are committed to providing a safe and positive learning environment that fosters respect, responsibility, and excellence. We are all responsible for creating school communities where the emotional, spiritual, and physical well being of all students and staff is assured. These principles guide our practice:

- Schools are for teaching and learning;
- Education is a shared responsibility among students, staff, parents, and community;
- We treat one another with dignity, respect, and fairness;
- We work within a framework of rights and responsibilities.

On the basis of these principles, our school has developed behavioral guidelines that reflect the needs and desires of our school community.

Principal's Message:

At the end of each school year, the Department of Education requires all schools in Manitoba to report to their communities a reflection on the school year as it pertains to their school plan.

Statistical Information

- September 7 enrollment – 164
- Drop out rate 4%
- Suspensions – 111 out of school, 81 in school
- Rolling River First Nation student population – 39% of current 149 students

Year at a Glance

Incentive Trips – participation based on good behavior and attendance

- Panorama Ski Trip
- Harlem Globetrotters Basketball Game
- Shrine Circus
- Much Music Dance
- Junior High Camp Wannakumbac Camping Trip

Special Events

- 5 team-building presentations – one sponsored by CDPI(Chronic Disease Prevention Initiative)
- Guidance presentations – Ms. Atkinson
- Eugene Blackbird Presentation on Personal Rights
- Christmas Talent show/band concert
- Spring Band concert – “Water in the Fuel”
- ECI Band took part in Divisional Band Concert at Tanner’s Crossing Field
- Rocketry and Astronomy Events
- 30 Hour Famine
- Horticulture Class continues to be popular. Class raised over \$1,000 with annual plant sale
- Mother’s Against Drunk Driving “Friday Night” presentation
- TADD activities – attended TADD Conference in Russell.
- Manitoba theatre for Young People Presentation “Cranked”
- Artists in the school – Mr. and Mrs. Lowe – clay workshop(funded through special Artist In The School grant)
- Attended “Walk with the Dinosaurs” presentation in Winnipeg
- ELA classes went to Manitoba Theatre Centre to watch a play
- Students in Manitoba High School Rodeo events
- French Field trip to Winnipeg – St. Boniface Museum and Forks
- Deb Maluk, Career Preparation and Exploration coordinator, organized Mini Career Symposium
- Mary Dalton’s Middle Year’s class took part in many interesting field trips including a fall wagon ride through Minnedosa Valley, hikes in RMNP, visits to an elk farm, animal tracking outings, and weekly culinary projects. In addition, most students in this program have the opportunity to participate in independent projects such as Ferrier training, working at the divisional bus garage, art workshops, daycare, wildlife technician, and many more.

Fundraising Efforts

- Phone Book deliveries for various projects.
- Chocolate Bars, Luncheons, Meat Draw, bake sales, and various other projects for Grad
- Sport Canteens
- Curling bonspiel - student council fundraiser
- Mom’s Pantry sales
- Tree Planting – Geography class in coordination with local conservation district
- Magazine Sales
- Plant sale to support Horticulture Program
- Recycling Program
- Sunglasses sale through MHSAA

Cultural Initiatives

- Jingle dress making
- Star blanket making.
- Drum making with Dennis Shannacappo

Athletics

- Golf Program – Senior boys won zones and 11th at Provincials
- Boys Varsity Volleyball Program – Boys won zones and won Bronze at Provincials
- Junior Varsity Girls Volleyball – Huge number of athletes interested
- Girls Varsity Volleyball Program – lost in divisional quarterfinals
- Junior High Girls won Divisional “A” tournament
- Co-op Hockey team with Minnedosa Collegiate
- Junior and Senior Varsity Badminton (several students represented the school at Zone Play downs, three advanced to Provincials in Gimli)
- Track - Seven Athletes advanced to Rural and Urban Provincials
- Junior High Track – Four students competed
- Junior High Boys – 9 players competed in Divisional Basketball Tournament

Special Acknowledgments and Achievements

- Class Size Grant - \$30,000
- Increase in BSSAP funding to \$20,000
- Artist in the School Grant - \$2,200
- ASSE exchange students from Thailand and Finland. ASSE donated \$1,000 to our school in appreciation of our partnership
- MAST Student Citizenship Award was awarded to Allyson Dawson
- Cal Vanderschuit was selected to the Manitoba Volleyball All-star Team
- Graham Edwards was selected as Manitoba’s “A” Volleyball Coach of the Year
- Cal Vanderschuit won the Manitoba Driver Ed Challenge - \$1,500 scholarship

2007–2008 Plan

Expected Outcomes	Indicators
1. Increase student success	Students pass courses previously failed Reading test scores improve through the year Students are successful in their Grade 9 year Increased number of students receive honor roll standing and have opportunities for achievement contests Increased attendance at school Compare class averages to Provincial averages Decreased number of drop outs Increased number of exemptions Decreased number of suspensions
2. Consistent effort with respect to instruction, discipline and classroom/hallway management/Cedar Room area	Reduced numbers of absences from classes and fewer students in the Improve academics Increased courtesy and respect Less inappropriate behavior in the hallways
3. Improve communication with community	Monitor number of website hits Increased parental feedback More parents seen in the building Pro-Active parental involvement rather than reactive. Increase number of parents at PT interviews Students are more informed of school events and happenings
4. Improve physical setting of common school areas to draw students	Fewer students in the hallways during spare time Student pride in their surroundings Less vandalizing
5. Increase school pride	Fewer incidents of disrespect and rude behavior Students demonstrate mature behavior Less vandalizing General feeling of community and belonging More student participation
6. Improve aboriginal achievement and enhance cultural awareness	Fewer incidents of disrespect and rude behaviors Aboriginal student participation in school events Lower drop out rate Improved attendance Proactive parental involvement rather than reactive Higher academic achievement

Staff Changes

Gord Wood left us this year, taking a teaching job at Dauphin Regional. Graham Edwards replaced Gord as Principal. Morley Robertson replaced Graham as Vice-Principal. Morley's teaching assignment is concentrated at the Junior High level.

Dorris Gusdal had a change of assignment as well. Dorrie left the Librarian position and came back as an EA. Dorrie was replaced by Arden McInness, who was formerly an EA with us.

Roy Hulley left our Custodian Department, and took over the Head Custodian Position at Erickson Elementary. Roy was replaced by Della Robinson.

Kristel Boyd, French, went on Maternity Leave, and was replaced by Clayton Carefoot. Kristel will be coming back half time in the fall of 2008. Clayton will be staying on for the 2008/2009 school year, teaching some French, Phys Ed, ELA, and other courses as assigned.

Trish Robson came back early from her Maternity Leave, half time in the fall and then full time in February.

Ruth Frey and her husband Sean went to Australia as a part of a Federal Parks Canada Warden Exchange program. She will be on leave until September, 2009. Ruth and Trish were replaced by Krista Storozynsky. Krista may or may not be leaving us this year. We will see how the next week plays out.

Cindy Nysten left us and transferred to Elton this year. Cindy was replaced by Whitney Stone. Whitney will be staying on with us again for next fall.

We also welcomed Mary Dalton, who was hired half time as a result of our successful Class Size Grant. Mary will be with us full time next year, continuing in our Middle Years Area, as well as teaching some High School courses.

We welcomed new Educational Assistants, Kim Braschuk, Sheila McKay, Lauriellen Rumball, and Dede Hengen.

Fall Dates to Remember:

August 25th – Office opens

September 3rd – School resumes

September 2nd – Admin Day

September 12th – Divisional In-service

The 2008-09 School Planning process has already been completed. If you are interested in seeing a copy, please contact the ECI office at 636-2605.

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