

**Dawson Springs Elementary School**

***Where the teachers and students give 100% every day and failure is not an option.***

***Panthers Prowling to Proficiency!***

August 2022 Board Meeting

Elementary Principal Report

Jennifer Ward

* Academic Progress
  + iReady Diagnostics are underway for Reading and Math
  + Reading Mastery Placement tests have occurred for kindergarten and new students. Students previously enrolled already completed their test and have been placed in groups.
    - 19 of our K students have tested at lesson 11!!!! This is huge. We have had a few in years past but never this many!
  + Mrs. Harralson, GT, is now leading our DSES Student Council.
    - They will be involved in school wide and community events.
    - Superintendent Focus Group
    - Leadership Opportunities for our students
* PLC Conversations for the Month:
  + Initial Self-Reflections and PGPs are in progress and due at the end of the month as required by the Certified Evaluation Plan. Teachers are completing a rationale for each standard domain this year so that we can assist them in a more defined path for professional development for them this year.
  + Importance of confidentiality was discussed/reviewed
* Infinite Campus gradebooks have been set up and are consistent across grade levels this year. Consistency is Key!!
* Professional Development Information for 2022/2023:
  + Teachers were involved in a team meeting with Shannon with Simple Solutions on Wednesday.
    - Simple Solutions is a Reading and Math supplemental program that spirals the standards taught each day. The lessons are short, 5 to 10 minute lessons and quizzes to assess student knowledge and understanding. Standards are taught anywhere between 80 to 120 times per year.
    - When we did a site visit at Mead County they attributed their success to the use of Simple Solutions.
* Kindergarten Brigance screener will be completed before September 21.
* Upcoming Events:
  + Brigance Kindergarten Screener in September
  + We are in the process of planning some family nights for this year.