

**Dawson Springs Elementary School**

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

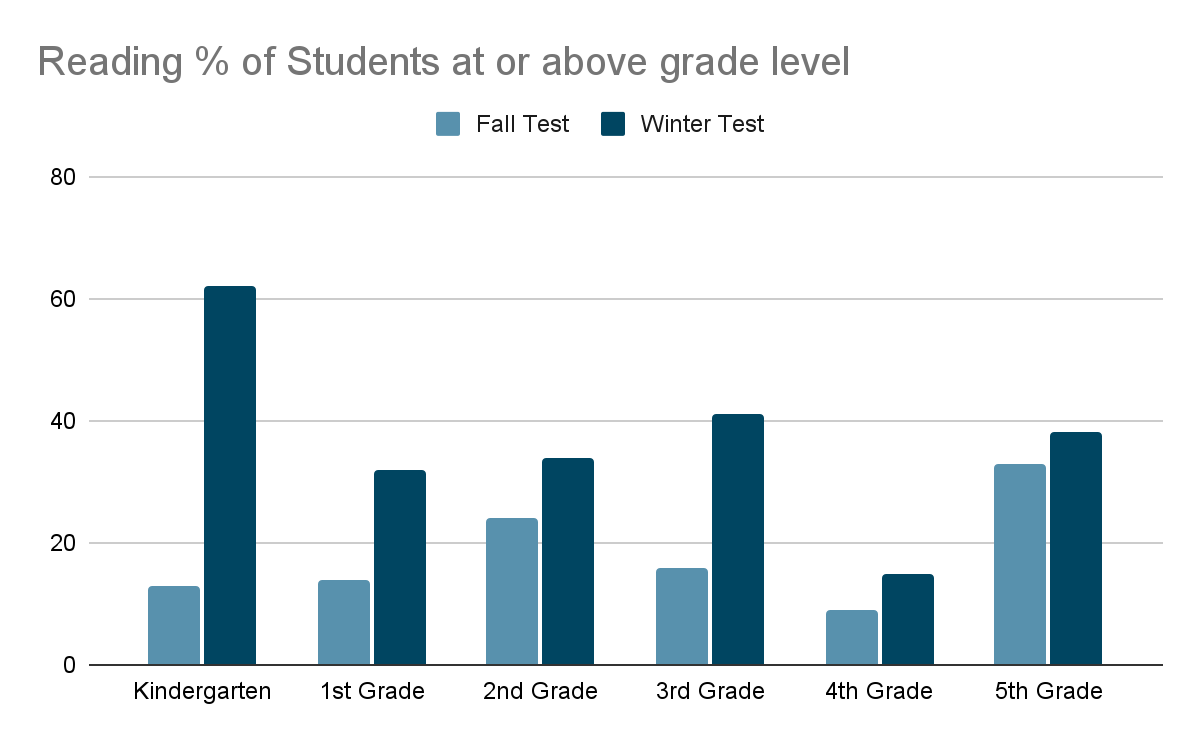
***Panthers Prowling to Proficiency!***

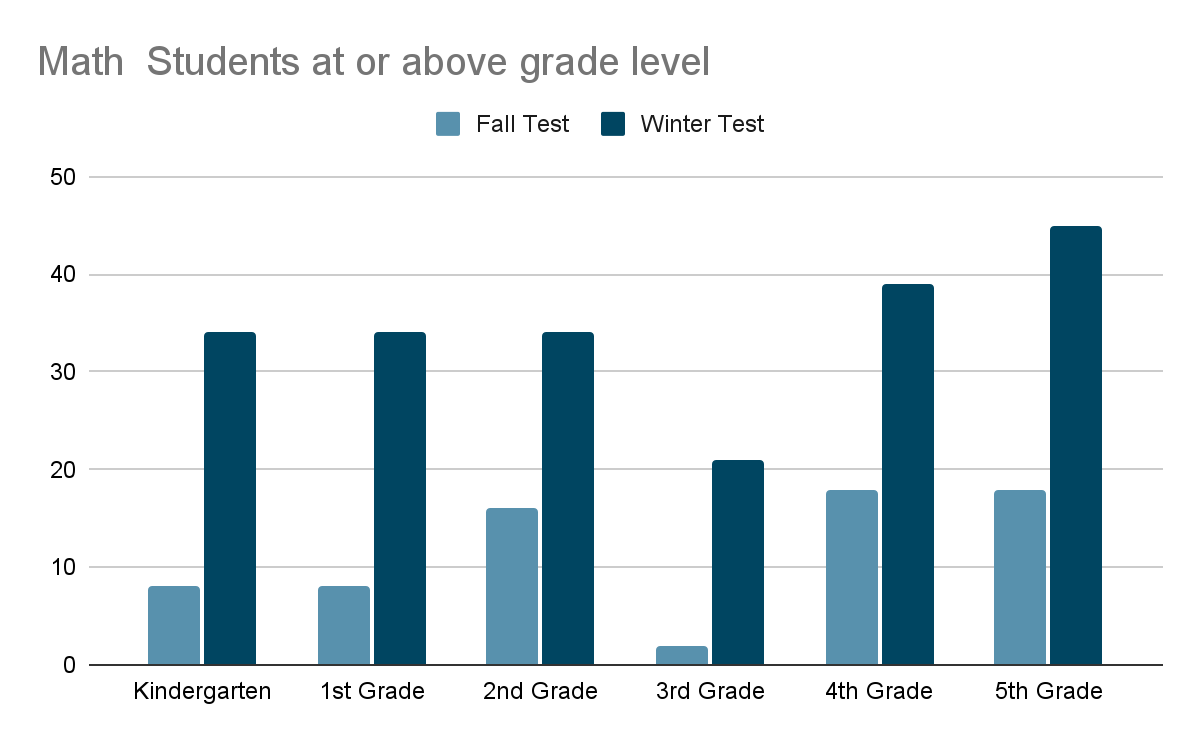
January 2024 Board Meeting

Elementary Principal Report

Jennifer Ward

* Academic Progress
  + iReady Fall to Winter comparison
    - Percentage of students at or above grade level
    - Lots of growth in math
    - Kindergarten had the largest amount of growth in reading with currently over 60% of our K students at or above grade level in reading.
    - 5th grade had the largest amount of growth in math
    - We are seeing that the iReady winter benchmark assessment is more rigorous than what the standards require the students to know at each grade level.
      * This is a good thing! The rigor is up!





* + Reading comprehension across all grade levels
  + Math mastery
* PLC Conversations for the Month:
  + Assessment Protocol and Data Analysis Protocols
    - KSA formatted assessments and questions weekly
  + Reading comprehension is a focus for our students K-5.
  + Teaching math to mastery
  + Winter iReady diagnostic data compared to Fall looking at individual student growth
* Professional Development Information:
  + Classroom observations continue on a regular basis
  + Mid-year self reflections have been completed and compared to initial reflection for growth
    - Areas of need/concern are to be addressed with administrator
  + Mrs. Ward attended the KWEL Kentucky Women in Education Leadership conference this past week.
    - Sessions included information on the following topics:
      * Conflict resolution
      * Crucial leadership skills
      * Navigating conflicts confidently
      * More Assertive relationship-building skills
      * Mental wellness and well-being
      * Strategies to excel in leadership journey for resilience
      * Strengthen your leadership foundation
  + Helping teachers teach students “how” to read
  + Teaching math to mastery, not just exposure
  + K-2 focusing on number sense
  + 24/25 PD is already starting to be planned
* Upcoming Events:
  + 2/2/24 - Student of the month January grades 2-5
  + 2/2/24 - KSA Student Awards in the gym at 1:30 PM