

Lower Elementary Board Report for September

- We have been assessing the students in various ways so we can get to know the students and get a baseline. We will use the data to make instructional decisions. Over the next couple weeks we will meet in grade level teams to discuss the assessments in Professional Learning Communities. By doing this we can see the assessments from a school and grade level perspective.
- We are using Fountas and Pinnells structure for Guided Reading this year. Tonia Smith and Janie Stout- Price have been leading the teachers in a book study. We are meeting after school and going through chapters in the book and making whole school decisions. The Board deserves a big thanks for the books that we were able to purchase for our program.
- Later this month Angie Herndon will lead a book study on "Number Talks" for math during grade level team meetings.
- Students who completed their summer and math learning projects were able to participate in the Outdoor Extravaganza. They received extra recess, snow cones, water fun and a helicopter visit. Thanks to the Local Fire Department for helping us.
- On September 7th we had our first school wide community event. We hosted about 250 guests for Grandparents Day. Students took their guest to their rooms, had juice and cookies, visited a blast from the past museum, took pictures at two photo booth, and were able to visit the book fair.
- Action Teams are a part of Leader in Me and help create a shared leadership. There are teams meeting every day after school to help plan. It is great to see theses teams they really are in action!!
- Teachers have completed their self reflections based on the Framework for Teaching. Using this information they will create their professional growth plans. As educators we always want to grow and improve in our practices.