August 2022 Board Report

Office of Special Student Populations

Special Education

Stephanie Taylor and Josh Miller are the two new special education teachers at Grandview. They are a great addition to the team and I look forward to working alongside them.

Early Childhood Services

Screenings for this school year were on August 18th, 19th, 22nd, 23rd, and 24th. Over 20 students were scheduled to come to screenings.

Tigers CUBS monthly book program currently sends 106 books a month home to infants and toddlers in our district. These mailings will continue over the summer months.

Hear our ROAR for weekly book distribution will continue with all preschool students taking home one book each week to build their home libraries.

Total preschool enrollment is projected to start at 57.

Trauma Informed Care/Mental Health

Mental Health Specialists worked several days over the summer to keep consistent services for students. Our Specialist traveled to Danville, KY to assist staff at KSD with grief processing.

Staff at Bellevue Middle/High School participated in Mental Health First Aid training on August 11th. GES will provide the same training on a date yet to be determined.

Grants

KyCL grant has begun and each building has selected a provider to partner with for the next three years. The purpose of this grant is to build teacher capacity to address literacy across all content areas. The vast majority of funds will be spent on professional development and teacher stipends. The early childhood portion of the grant will partner with ECLETRS for professional learning. K-12 will be partnering with Scholastic. One requirement of the grant is to give the TELD-4 to all student who are four years of age and report back.

GEERS grants are supporting the salary of the Mental Health Specialists in each building as well as family engagement opportunities.

Preschool Partnership Grant supports a full day preschool option with a focus on the social and emotional health of our youngest Tigers. Aunt Kathy’s is open in Bellevue Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. which offers a seamless wrap around option for families. Aunt Kathy’s has several locations where families can access a full day option on Fridays, if needed.

MAF grant was awarded to the district and will assist in funding the salary of a certified person to function as a math coach at GES. The grant period begins July 1, 2022 and the bulk of those funds will be used for professional learning. Alison Teegarden will continue leading the coaching and implementation of this grant.

The Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) grant was submitted on June 13. The focus of the proposal is to hire personnel and purchase curriculum that will target the prevention of the onset of alcohol, vaping and cannabis use. Awards will be announced in the fall. If awarded, this will generate $375,000 per year for the next five years with an anticipated start date of September 30, 2022.

The Full Service Community Schools grant truly embodies the service of all students and families. This is the same grant that was submitted prior to COVID and after submission was canceled by the United States Department of Education. If awarded, this grant will generate $500,000 a year for the next five years. Proposals are due on September 12th with an assumed announcement in the winter and a January start date.

FRYSC/YSC

The regional district contact meeting is coming up on October 5th and will be held in Newport.

Rob Sanders worked tirelessly this summer to coordinate so many great services for the start of the school year. Danielle Carr is our new YSC at the high school and he will be mentoring her this first year to help her get a great start for our kids and families.