

Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools' Claims
 General Fund Claims
 Jan 20, 2014

Check #	Vendor	Amount	Description
031808	Seminole Retail Energy	\$ 2,205.69	All Areas: Natural Gas
031809	AG Payroll Acct	\$ 273,218.47	Jan Net Payroll
031810	AGEA	\$ 2,667.50	Employee Dues
031811	BCBS	\$ 90,153.31	Payroll Employee Health Ins
031812	COREBank	\$ 9,763.93	Payroll Section 125 Deduct
031813	Guardian	\$ 785.11	Payroll Employee Life Prem
031814	Madison National Life	\$ 1,180.98	Payroll LTD Insurance Prem
031815	MidAmerica 403b	\$ 1,875.00	Payroll Annuity Deduction
031816	AG Payroll Acct	\$ 12,397.05	Payroll State Tax Wthhldg
031817	AG Payroll Acct	\$ 369.00	Child Support Order
031818	AG Payroll Acct	\$ 93,752.84	Payroll Federal Tax Wthhldg
031819	Retirement	\$ 78,210.10	Payroll Retirement Wthhldg
031820	TheStandard	\$ 828.72	Employee Vision Plan
031821	Academic Superstore	\$ 152.82	Inst Tech: Software
031822	Ambutech Inc	\$ 63.50	Sped Instruct: Mobility Canes
031823	Anderson Print Group	\$ 308.50	Instruction: Report Card Paper
031824	Ashland Auto Parts	\$ 438.60	Transportation:Parts & Supplies
031825	Ashland Disposal Service	\$ 215.00	Waste Removal
031826	Ashland-Greenwood Hot Lunch	\$ 254.30	Adult Meals H.S./Retreat Staff
031827	Beringer Ciaccio Dennell Mabrey	\$ 3,787.49	Bd of Ed: Professional Fees
031828	C & L Hardware	\$ 3.49	Maintenance: Supplies
031829	CGS Music dba Robert Popek	\$ 209.00	Music: Instrument Repair
031830	City Of Ashland	\$ 1,699.00	All Areas: Water & Sewer
031831	Eddie Lawn Service, LLC	\$ 325.00	Grounds: Fall Fertilizer
031832	Esu #10	\$ 64.00	Sped Instruction: Supplies
031833	Esu #2	\$ 13,577.91	Speech Services, posters,
031834	Esu #3	\$ 11,250.25	Student Tuition
031835	Fairfield Inn	\$ 94.95	Admin: lodging, Principal
031836	Gene Phillips Inc	\$ 2,610.00	Maintenance: Paint Stairwells
031837	General Fire and Safety	\$ 441.50	Semi Annual Fire Inspection
031838	GovConnection Inc.	\$ 413.40	9-12 Media: Supplies
031839	Jennifer S Haralson	\$ 2,490.30	Visually Impaired Services
031840	Paul Harris	\$ 150.00	Custodial: Gym Floor finishing
031841	Hillyard/Sioux Falls	\$ 311.04	Custodial: Supplies
031842	Inland Truck Parts & Service	\$ 831.65	Transportation: Bus repairs
031843	Ryan Jaekel	\$ 11.60	Activity Worker
031844	Jewish Federation of Omaha/IHE	\$ 30.00	Instruction: LA Holocaust Reg
031845	J. W. Pepper & Son, Inc	\$ 572.97	Instrum/Vocal Music: Supplies
031846	Lampe's Clean Air Specialists	\$ 751.01	Maintenance: Filters
031847	Jeffrey Laughlin	\$ 235.00	Inst. Tech: Comp. Services
031848	Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc/Linweld	\$ 301.30	Instruction: Welding Supplies
031849	LTR Towing & Recovery	\$ 258.50	Transportation: Bus towing

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031850	LeAnna W MacDonald	\$ 289.44	Vision Specialist
031851	MCI Communications	\$ 106.11	Long Distance Services
031852	Mechanic's Inc	\$ 427.35	Transportation: Bus Repairs
031853	Meininger Fire Protection Inc	\$ 990.00	Maint: Building/Gr Renovation
031854	Menard Inc	\$ 384.57	Maintenance: Supplies
031855	MidAmerica Admi & Retirement	\$ 250.00	Thrid Party Administrator
031856	NE Council of School Administrators	\$ 125.00	Admin: MS/HS Principal Conf
031857	Nebraska DOL /Office of Safety	\$ 252.00	Maint: Boiler Inspections
031858	NE Dept of Labor/Office of Unempl.	\$ 1,648.37	Unemployment Compensation
031859	Omaha Symphony Assoc	\$ 283.50	Voc Music: Reg Fees
031860	One Source, Inc	\$ 33.00	Employee Screening
031861	Omaha Public Power District	\$ 10,502.43	All Areas: Electricity
031862	Paper Tiger Shredding	\$ 110.55	Paper shredding
031863	Perry, Guthery, Haase & Gessf	\$ 3,235.53	Admin: Legal Services
031864	Pitney Bowes Postage By Phone	\$ 500.00	Monthly Postage
031865	Platte Valley Sanitation Inc	\$ 325.00	Waste Removal/Recycling
031866	Quill Corp	\$ 232.00	Instruction: HS Student File
031867	Ralston Public Schools	\$ 935.74	Deaf & Hard of Hearing Serv.
031868	Katie Richards	\$ 56.19	Activity Worker
031869	Saunders Medical Center	\$ 100.00	Transp: Empl Physical
031870	Scholastic Inc.	\$ 221.23	Elem Instruction: Supplies
031871	School Specialty	\$ 31.10	Elem Art: Supplies
031872	J.A. Sexauer	\$ 322.99	Faucet HS Boys RR
031873	Southeast Community College	\$ 651.00	Instruction: SENCAP CNA books
031874	Sparkling Klean	\$ 5,867.60	Janitorial Services
031875	St Elizabeth Regional Med Center	\$ 155.00	MS Impact Concussion Testing
031876	University Of NE at Kearney	\$ 75.00	Transportation: Lev II Training
031877	US Mechanical Service Inc	\$ 4,390.75	Repair Leak, boiler repair
031878	U.S. Post Office	\$ 250.00	Bulk Postage Acct
031879	Voss Electric Co	\$ 204.00	Maintenance: Gym Lamps
031880	Voyager Fleet Systems, Inc.	\$ 3,548.10	Transportation: Fuel
031881	Wahoo-Waverly-Ashland News	\$ 85.24	Bd of Ed Legals
031882	Clark M. Washburn Jr	\$ 54.38	Activity Worker
031883	Weathercraft Co Of Lincoln	\$ 2,326.54	Maintenance: Roof Repair
031884	Beverly Wiggs	\$ 2,436.54	Occupational Therapy
031885	Christopher Williams	\$ 108.75	Activitiy Worker
031886	AmSan	\$ 2,721.15	Custodial: Supplies
031887	Beringer Ciaccio Dennell Mabrey	\$ 1,668.31	Building/Grnds Renovation
031888	C & L Hardware	\$ 18.32	Maintenance: Supplies
031889	Ashland Chamber of Commerce	\$ 325.00	Bd of Ed: Ann Mbrship Dues
031890	GovConnection Inc.	\$ 84.80	Instr. Tech: Battery
031891	Danielle Kleber	\$ 135.00	Pupil Support: Wr Trainer

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031892	PayFlex Systems USA Inc	\$ 286.00	Employee Benefit
031893	Trane U S Inc	\$ 4,800.00	Maint: Ann. Maint.
031894	VISA	\$ 153.00	Fuel
031895	Windstream	\$ 1,171.31	Local Telephone Service
031896	Administrative Operations	\$ 124.32	Registration Fees, travel, lodging

Incompletes

Father Flanagan's/Boy's Town	Student Tuition
Nash Finch/No Frills	All Areas: Supplies
Seminole/Post Rock	Natural Gas
Harris/DataTeam	Bus Office Training
Learn2Move/Brooke Cheleen	\$ 229.21 Physical Therapy

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Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools
1/20/2014
Administrative Operations Account

Date	Check No	Description		Amount
12/16/13	5337	B Jacobsen, Principal Mileage	\$	243.34
12/17/13	5338	C Caswell, Poverty Mileage	\$	27.06
12/18/13	5339	Casey General Store, COF: Luncheon	\$	38.06
1/14/14	5340	J Eager, Transp: Mileage	\$	28.60
1/14/14	5340	J Eager, Bus Permit	\$	7.50
1/17/14	5341	S Nygren, Wkshop Mileage	\$	23.10

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Hot Lunch Claims
Jan 2014

009800	Nebraska Food Distribut. Pro.	\$	2,630.97	HL: Food	12/26/2013
009801	U Save Foods Inc/Nash Finch Co	\$	20.64	Supplies	12/26/2013
09802	AG Payroll Account	\$	8,081.99	Jan Net Payroll	1/10/2014
009803	BCBS	\$	55.97	Jan 14 PR	1/10/2014
009804	COREBank	\$	25.00	Jan 14 PR	1/10/2014
009805	Guardian	\$	58.89	Jan 14 PR	1/10/2014
009806	Madison National Life	\$	28.05	Jan 14 PR	1/10/2014
009807	AG Payroll Account	\$	213.61	Jan 14 PR	1/10/2014
009808	AG Payroll Account	\$	2,697.16	Jan 14 PR	1/10/2014
009809	Retirement	\$	2,208.68	Jan 14 PR	1/10/2014
009810	TheStandard	\$	34.40	Jan 14 PR	1/10/2014
009811	Ashland-Greenwood Activities Acct	\$	210.00	Hot Lunch: Supplies	1/20/2014
009812	Bennett Refrigeration Inc	\$	161.50	HL: Service call-freezer	1/20/2014
009813	Cash-Wa Distributing Co.	\$	2,613.56	HL: Food & Supplies	1/20/2014
009814	GovConnection Inc.	\$	117.39	HL: printer ink cartridges	1/20/2014
009815	Great Plains Pest Serv Inc	\$	68.50	HL: Pest Services	1/20/2014
009816	Hiland Dairy Foods Company LLC	\$	2,164.64	HL: Food	1/20/2014
009817	Institutional Chemical Systems	\$	511.72	HL: Supplies	1/20/2014
009818	Sysco Lincoln, Inc	\$	6,266.72	HL: Food & Supplies	1/20/2014
009819	The Thompson Co	\$	4,551.51	HL: Food & Product	1/20/2014
009822	Ashland-Greenwood Activities Acct	\$	48.36	Pop Proceeds MSHS Staff	1/20/2014
009823	Cash-Wa Distributing Co.	\$	3,105.00	Hot Lunch: Freezer	1/20/2014

Incompletes

U-Save Foods/Nash Finch	\$	5.18	Soup
Nebraska Food Distribution Program			Commodities

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Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools

Activities Account

Dec 12, 2013 to Jan 20, 2014

<i>Date</i>	<i>Check #</i>	<i>Vendor</i>	<i>Disbursed</i>	<i>Description</i>
12/19/13	011593	Jeremy Broz	\$ 185.00	Ath: Wr official
12/19/13	011594	Kyle DeBuse	\$ 195.00	Ath: Holiday trny official
12/19/13	011595	Christopher Janda	\$ 195.00	Ath: Holiday trny official
12/19/13	011596	Arl Johnson	\$ 195.00	Ath: Holiday trny official
12/19/13	011597	Livestockjudging.com	\$ 100.00	FFA : 1 yr site license
12/19/13	011598	Midwest Tech. Prod & Ser	\$ 46.60	Shop: Toys for Tots Supplies
12/19/13	011599	John Moody	\$ 195.00	Ath: Holiday trny official
12/19/13	011600	NSAA	\$ 76.00	Ath: State FB medals
12/19/13	011601	Ken Scheel	\$ 195.00	Ath: Holiday trny official
12/19/13	011602	Vincent J. Stremiau	\$ 100.00	Ath :JVBB Official
12/19/13	011603	Kyle DeBuse	\$ 195.00	Ath: Holiday trny official
12/19/13	011604	Christopher Janda	\$ 195.00	Ath: Holiday trny official
12/19/13	011605	Arl Johnson	\$ 195.00	Ath: Holiday trny official
12/19/13	011606	John Moody	\$ 195.00	Ath: Holiday trny official
12/26/13	011607	U Save Foods Inc/Nash Finch	\$ 71.70	FFA: Supplies
12/26/13	011608	VISA	\$ 75.64	Athletics: Wr stat web serv
1/9/14	011609	4 Seasons Fundraising	\$ 12,638.75	FFA: Cookie Fundraiser
1/9/14	011610	Ashland Area Foundation	\$ 63.48	FBLA: ACRC Donation
1/9/14	011611	Awards Unlimited, Inc.	\$ 627.85	Speech: Awards
1/9/14	011612	Band Shoppe	\$ 107.80	Musical: Shoes
1/9/14	011613	Jeremy Broz	\$ 310.00	Athletics WR Trny Off
1/9/14	011614	RMH Systems	\$ 263.16	Athletics: Scale
1/9/14	011615	Choice Products USA	\$ 3,803.50	FBLA: Fundraiser
1/9/14	011616	Deena Curtis	\$ 135.00	Athletics: FB Trainer
1/9/14	011617	Garrett J Eikmeier	\$ 195.00	Athletics: GB Off
1/9/14	011618	Brad L Fedde	\$ 195.00	Athletics: BB Off
1/9/14	011619	Rod Foutch	\$ 285.00	Athletics: WR Trny Off
1/9/14	011620	Heath Holtz	\$ 100.00	Athletics: JV BB Off
1/9/14	011621	Sean Johnston	\$ 210.00	Athletics: GB Off
1/9/14	011622	Nebraska Sports	\$ 88.50	Athletics: Charges
1/9/14	011623	Lincoln Christian	\$ 80.00	Athletics: MB BB Trny Fee
1/9/14	011624	Ryan Luetkenhaus	\$ 100.00	Athletics: JV BB Off
1/9/14	011625	Millard North HS	\$ 98.00	Speech: Entry Fee
1/9/14	011626	Justin P. Pavich	\$ 195.00	Athletics: BB Off
1/9/14	011627	School Specialty	\$ 94.50	Speech: Supp
1/9/14	011628	Bruce W Sedivy	\$ 300.00	Speech: Trny Director
1/9/14	011629	Southeastern Career App	\$ 100.00	Vocal: Dress
1/9/14	011630	Jordan M Spatz	\$ 285.00	Athletics: HLDY Trny Off
1/9/14	011631	Vincent J. Stremiau	\$ 100.00	Athletics: JV BB Off
1/9/14	011632	Syracuse Public Schools	\$ 125.00	Athletics: WR Fees
1/9/14	011633	Walsworth Pub Co	\$ 3,613.83	Yearbook: First Payment

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1/9/14	011634	Timothy S. Washburn	\$ 195.00	Athletics: GB Official
1/9/14	011635	Weeping Water PS	\$ 60.00	Athletics: JV WR Trny Fee
1/9/14	011636	Garrett J Eikmeier	\$ 195.00	Athletics: BB Off
1/9/14	011637	Heath Holtz	\$ 100.00	Athletics: JV GB Off
1/17/14	011638	Awards Unlimited, Inc.	\$ 841.59	Athletics: Rotary Track Invite Awa
1/17/14	011639	Steven M Cooley	\$ 105.00	Athletics: JV WR Trny Fee
1/17/14	011640	Future Business Leaders of Ai	\$ 400.00	FBLA: State & Natl Dues
1/17/14	011641	William C Hronek	\$ 105.00	Athletics JV Wr Trny Official
1/17/14	011642	Lee Luetkenhaus	\$ 50.00	Athletics JV BB Official
1/17/14	011643	John Patrick	\$ 105.00	Athleticsl JV Wr Trny Official
1/17/14	011644	Pioneer Drama Service, Inc.	\$ 34.75	Drama Play Books
1/17/14	011645	Raymond Central Public Scho	\$ 1,225.00	Athletics Shooting for a Cure Fun
1/17/14	011646	Team Ashley	\$ 74.00	Spirit Squad Fundraiser
1/17/14	011647	Erin Walker	\$ 150.00	Athleticsl JV Wr Trny Official
1/17/14	011648	Wyhe's Choice Fundraising, Ir	\$ 2,478.00	FFA Fundraiser
1/20/14	011649	Dave Aschwege	\$ 50.00	Athletics Athletics: C BB official
1/20/14	011650	Vernon J Breakfield	\$ 196.00	Athletics NCC GB trny offici
1/20/14	011651	Kyle DeBuse	\$ 206.00	Athletics NCC GB trny offici
1/20/14	011652	Garrett J Eikmeier	\$ 200.00	Athletics NCC GB trny offici
1/20/14	011653	Dale A. Eurek	\$ 171.00	Athletics NCC BB trny offici
1/20/14	011654	Brad L Fedde	\$ 175.00	Athletics NCC BB trny offici
1/20/14	011655	Jeremy Gilfry	\$ 165.00	Athletics NCC GB trny offici
1/20/14	011656	Cody Hoegh	\$ 183.00	Athletics NCC BB trny offici
1/20/14	011657	Arlid Johnson	\$ 175.00	Athletics Athletics:
1/20/14	011658	Ken Scheel	\$ 50.00	Athletics NCC GB trny offici
1/20/14	011659	VISA	\$ 25.00	Speech Judge registration fee
1/20/14	011660	Kyle DeBuse	\$ 175.00	Athletics NCC GB trny offici
1/20/14	011661	Garrett J Eikmeier	\$ 206.00	Athletics NCC BB trny offici
1/20/14	011662	Jeremy Gilfry	\$ 167.00	Athletics NCC BB trny offici
1/20/14	011663	Jeremy Gilfry	\$ 167.00	Athletics NCC BB trny offici

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Project Update



Date: 01-20-2014

Project Name: AGPS Mechanical Upgrades

Project #: 12 191

Bids were received 1-9-2014 with 6 bidders submitting.

Bid coverage was good with one outlier (over \$100,000 high)

If you remove outlier, \$65,000 (12%) deviation between high and low.

Apparent low of \$540,000 was submitted by Kingery Const based on 60 day duration of project.

Potential Subcontractors to Kingery are Fremont Electric, Bryant Mechanical, and Engineered Controls

On 1-15-2014 a post bid review meeting was held at AGPS to address the following:

Any exceptions or exclusions

1 qualification that a new panel may be needed due to a UL listing issue

Any voluntary alternates

Kingery is developing a list of voluntary alternates which should be available by week's end

Currently have 5 specific items being evaluated

Current position:

Base Bid	\$540,000
Alt #1 New Acoustical Ceiling	\$11,100
Alt #2 remove room ventilators	\$8,500
Project Contingency (10%)	<u>\$54,000</u>
SES Fee	\$30,750
Total (w/o Alts)	<u>\$624,750</u>

Suggested Savings:

Kingery Savings (targeted from meeting)	\$10,000
Additional Sub-contractor Savings	\$10,000
Reduce Contingency (5%)	\$27,000
Revised	<u>\$577,750</u>

Scope Savings:

Approximate amount targeted	\$30,000
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Where we started and where we are:

Original RFP had a high bid \$1,165,000

Honeywell at lowest was \$620,000 plus \$4,500 over 5 years - \$642,500

Included a 4-RTU configuration on gym

Limited scope on west side

Targeted energy reduction \$20,000 to \$25,000

They are beneficiary of contingency

Current project - \$577,750

Absorbed construction inflation (5%)

Included a better solution for gym

Included some scope items previously considered self-performed (ceilings, protection)

Included the correct solution for west side

Targeted energy reduction of \$30,000 to \$35,500

AGPS is beneficiary of contingency

Return on Investment

15 year simple payback on investment

11 year simple payback when considering \$125,000 chiller replacement

7 year simple payback when considering existing equipment liability (boilers, chillers, misc equipment)

** SES Fee

Preliminary study and RFP development -	\$4,500
Project 9% at \$500,000 -	\$45,000
Structural (owed a favor got them to do for ½)	\$1,500
Total	\$51,000
Proposed investment into AGPS	\$21,000
Revised fee	<u>\$30,000 (plus \$750 for structural)</u>

Submitted By: EGS

Board Report – January 20, 2014
Curriculum Director – Jill Finkey

- **Update – Nebraska Teacher/Principal Evaluation Pilot: Opportunities for Staff Collaboration and Collection of Staff Feedback**

Staff Collaboration Opportunities

- Monthly Evaluation Professional Learning Communities (PLC's) - Required
- Student Learning Objective (SLO's) Work Sessions – Optional
- SLO Peer Reviews – Required
- SLO Conferences – (many held in groups/teams as SLO content is similar) – Required
- Evaluation PLC's during In-Service Days – Required/Optional
 - EX – January 3rd: All staff participated in small group review of the 7 Effective Practices
 - EX – January 22nd Early Out: Subject Alike/Grade Alike SLO groups will have time to discuss progress and brainstorm strategies and progress monitoring ideas, etc.

Opportunities for Staff to Provide Feedback/Ask Questions

- Monthly Evaluation PLC's and during In-Service Activities
 - Staff can submit questions/concerns (anonymously if they choose) on notecard
 - Admin. Review – Local Eval. Committee Member Review if needed
 - Responses are posted on a Q and A document that all staff can access
- Local Evaluation Committee
 - 2 Formal Meetings
 - Members often share/consulted to evaluate overall staff perceptions/progress/questions/concerns
- 7 Effective Practices Review – NDE's Teacher and Principal Performance Framework
 - Foundational Knowledge
 - Planning and Preparation
 - The Learning Environment
 - Instructional Strategies
 - Assessment
 - Professionalism
 - Vision and Collaboration

Each of the above practices is Rated annually for staff on Year 1 of the Evaluation Cycle (twice per year for non-tenured teachers): Unsatisfactory, Basic, Proficient, Exemplary

Old Evaluation Model: Met or Not Met

- Instructional Skills
- Classroom Organization and Management
- Professional Conduct
- Personal Conduct

Began Review Activity in small groups on January 3rd in-service – Completed Review at January Eval. PLC
Focused on Proficient Level

- Used Guiding Questions:
1. What am I doing (or what do I need to do) to demonstrate proficiency in the Effective Practice of _____
 2. How will my evaluator know I am proficient? What sources of evidence will I be able to reference?

Collected the following from each individual (anonymously if preferred); sorted by building level

1. Which of the 7 Effective Practices am I least confident in demonstrating proficiency at this time?
2. Why?

7 Effective Practice Feedback Results compiled – Reviewed by Admin. Team (Reviewed by Local Evaluation Committee and shared with all staff)

Used to identify areas for future topics/trainings, etc. – Also areas where staff may simply need some reassurance



Board of Education Meeting: MS/HS Principal's Report, Brad Jacobsen: January 20, 2014

HIGHLIGHTS: BACK TO SCHOOL STUDENT ASSEMBLY ON 1/13/14 (reminder of expectations, motivation and celebration)

OUR PURPOSE THIS YEAR IS TO have an "I CAN/WE CAN" attitude. As a staff, we want to invite you to join us in that positive, proactive attitude. YOU are in control of YOUR attitude. YOU can choose to have an I CAN or WE CAN mentality! So, regardless of how your first semester went, this is a chance for a fresh start and with a positive attitude, you can achieve great things!

Student volunteers to come down to READ some of the I CAN statements from the posterboards that we created on the opening week.

Specific Celebrations at the rally/assembly:

- STAND if you were involved in ANY extra-curricular activity first semester (sports, groups, ambassadors, ffa, etc)
- Stand if you were in the Marching Band, that had their HIGHEST FINISH EVER at state marching Band!
- Stand if you were in the ONE ACT play that earned 3rd place in DISTRICTS for the 3rd year in a row
- STAND if you were on the STATE RUNNER-UP football team!
- COME DOWN to center court if you received an outstanding actor award in One Act play competitions!
- COME DOWN to center court if you received Academic All-state recognition in the fall or All State Music. Jessica Buller qualified for a National Honor Choir!

D: COLLEGE PROMOTION

We've made an effort to promote college to everyone. YOU CAN go to college. YOUR performance in middle school and high school and your effort to learn does have a direct impact on your success in college and on NeSA tests and on the ACT or the COMPASS college entrance tests.

- Stand if you've ever visited a college campus
- Stay up if you have researched any college program
- STAY standing if you have applied to any college
- If you have been accepted to any college, please come down to the floor
- Asked each kid where they were accepted and WHERE they play to attend.
- WE did recognize our REGENTS recipients and ask them what it means to get a regents scholarship.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT/MY LEARNING:

- Continuing to work on Student Learning Objectives (SLO's) and formative assessments to inform instruction.
- Continuing to learn the tools and resources for evaluation and staff support
- Continue to guide staff through the conversation about assessments and grading

Board of Education Meeting
Elementary Principal's Report



January 20, 2014

Elementary Activities:

Our annual Title I Parent Meeting was held on January 13. Mrs. Yardley reviewed different components of the Title I program and then shared videos and information on ways parents can help their child with early literacy skills at home.

Kindergarten teachers were the guest speakers at the January 13th PTO meeting. They shared information on early literacy skills with a focus on phonemic awareness. Parents left with a greater understanding of this important skill and a variety of ways to help their child at home.

Professional Activities:

Mid-year evaluations are being conducted with non-tenured teachers. This has provided a good opportunity for teachers to self-reflect on the seven effective instructional practices, receive feedback and do some collaborative goal-setting.

On Jan. 3, we held a Literacy PLC meeting that focused on stamina building, effective use of I-Charts, managing instructional groups and the importance of 'good fit' books.

Our January 10th staff meeting focused on preparations for our Young Authors Program and the SLO & Reading Progress Monitoring meetings that will be held in January and February.

- Diane Gubbels, is a quilter, speaker and storyteller. This year she's presenting a show themed "One School, Many Stories" to elementary aged children and has offered to come to our school. She has over 100 quilts that she presents when she does a full trunk show. The collection she will bring are all pieces that have been inspired by events and experiences in her life. She uses her art as a means to tell stories and encourages children to find ways to express their own stories and ideas. Ms. Gubbels will kick off our Young Authors program on February 4.
- Information was shared regarding the process that will be followed for our SLO & Reading Progress Monitoring meetings. The process will include:
 - Review of assessment/classroom data and observational notes used to progress monitor and guide instruction.
 - Review of strategies and interventions used to differentiate instruction.
 - Collaboration and discussion of next steps to assist our learners.