

To: Dansville School Board Members

From: Andy Cox

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Re: DES update

- Our Aggie Academy for the summer will be continuing its impact to reach Kindergarten students all the way through exiting 5th grade students. We have 34 students signed up. This summer school opportunity will provide students a jump start to the upcoming year as we meet 4 days a week, 2.5 hours at a time, for four weeks in July.
- The hiring process is in full swing as we consider candidates for an additional Kindergarten position.
- There were many special field trips at the end of this year including:
 - Kindergarten to Minnis Farms
 - 1st grade to Woldumar Nature Center
 - 2nd grade to MSU Childrens' Garden & Dairy Store
 - 3rd grade to the Dewey School House
 - 4th grade to Mackinac
 - 5th grade to Henry Ford/Greenfield Village
- Michele Momberg and Christy Minnis did a great job this year in organizing age appropriate Field Day activities for both the lower elementary students and upper elementary students on separate afternoons. Everything was very well organized allowing the students to have a fun and safe experience.
- The 5th grade staff presented an Honors' Night/Graduation mid-May for our outgoing 5th graders. Academic awards were presented to those who met the achievement criteria as well as a diploma for all 5th grade students. Mrs. McNabb led the students in a brief musical performance utilizing the ukuleles. Mrs. Service created an amazing slideshow highlight the students' pictures both now and from their early years.
- Each year during the last week of school, Sue Provencal puts on an elaborate Title I Literacy Breakfast to celebrate the growth of her students and to encourage parents to fully engage with their students reading development. She had a tremendous turn out this year and did a spectacular job of preparing all of her students for their presentations. She also puts in a ton of time to provide summer long learning experiences for her students which the parents have really appreciated. This was especially amazing this year being held in the new performance space.
- Attached you will find behavior data for the 18-19 school year. Physical aggression and disrespect are the two areas that elementary students struggle with the most as they continue to learn appropriate ways to deal with disappointment, accountability, and operating within boundaries.