

OVERBROOK

ATTENDANCE CENTER

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To: Dr. Steve Pegram and BOE
From: David Fernkopf, OAC Principal
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Subject: October Building Report

Everything at Overbrook has been going well so far. We really enjoyed going to the homecoming parade in Scranton this year, and the students had a lot of fun at the pep rally.

School Improvement DRA: The DRA (Developmental Reading Assessment, 2nd edition) assessment is required by the state at second grade. The DRA addresses the five “essential” reading components (concepts 1-5 below) plus three other important components of reading (concepts 6-8 below):

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| 1. Phonemic and Phonological Awareness | 5. Fluency |
| 2. Phonics | 6. Language Development |
| 3. Comprehension | 7. Concepts of Print |
| 4. Vocabulary | 8. Oral Reading Rate |

The table below gives a breakdown of reading levels by each second grade teacher. Note that level 18 is typically the beginning of 2nd grade reading level so we assessed up to that score. According to this assessment, we currently have 57% of our second graders reading below grade level, which is not quite as good as last year score.

To address this issue we are supplementing our phonic lesson with an additional phonic series titled the Phonic Dance. Also we are taking a good look at Lead 21 and seeing if there is anything else we can do to increase these scores.

Fall 2012 DRA Grade 2	Giebler	Heffner	Lattimer	Portlock	Total in Level
Level A-3	1	0	2	3	6
Level 4-8	2	5	1	2	10
Level 10-16	5	1	5	3	14
Level 18	6	8	7	6	27
Total Students in Class/Grade	14	14	15	14	57

(1 Special Education student not tested)

Kansas Reading Road Map

Dr. Pegram and I have been working on a grant opportunity for students in K-3 to get help with reading. If this program works out, it would be a great opportunity for our students. Dr. Pegram is working on getting more information on the program that he will be sharing with the board.

Family Title Night

On September 24th we had a family title night along with PTO Book Bingo. The title teachers used this opportunity to hold their required title meeting. We also held our book fair during the family night and had great success.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Fall conferences at OAC are scheduled for October 27 and 29 from 4:00-7:00. We look forward to visiting with parents about their student's progress.

OAC Picnic on the Playground

In place of Grandparents day, we will be having a picnic on the playground October 3rd. We have asked students to invite people that are special to them to the picnic. This can include grandparents, family members, or even a family friend.

Upcoming Events:

October 8th we will be having a presentation on Fire Safety for all the students.

The Halloween Parade is scheduled for October 30th @ 2:00 p.m. We will finish the day by going back to the school for parties.

Update on OAC Building Goals

Data

We have been using the new Aimswebs system, the bugs are finally being fixed in the system and we are almost ready to progress monitor some of our students.

Curriculum

We had a guest speaker talk to the teachers about the common core eight mathematical standards. She was a great speaker. Teachers were able to gain a lot of knowledge about common core and math.

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This is going well so far, I have been working on doing walk throughs in the teachers classroom.

Communication

I have been using Facebook more and have posted pictures from OAC weekly. I have also been doing weekly memos that the teachers appreciate. I have been advertising the OAC site council meeting next week. I hope that I have a good turn out this year.

Developing as a Professional

The biggest thing I have the staff working on is being in the gym in the mornings at 7:50. This has been a struggle in the past and the staff is working on being on time.