

**Overbrook Attendance Center  
Principal's Building Report, January 2021**

December was a short time in the building, but a great deal was accomplished – Leader in Me activities, winter benchmarking, projects, and holiday parties and fun! It is so good to be back in the building with our students!

We are really proud to report that every single OAC student was served during our **remote week** the first of December! It was great to be prepared with a playbook and to even more satisfying to see how creative everyone was in activities, projects, and staying in contact with students. This teaching staff really knocked it out of the park!

**Miss Dahl's first grade class** took advantage of one of the nicest days in December to deliver cards to our friends at Brookside Retirement Community! Students walked to the facility and were able to have window visits – sharing a loud Merry Christmas with the residents! They especially loved hearing the students sing Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer!



**Mrs. Wells' third graders** also took advantage of that same beautiful day to walk their letters to the Overbrook Post Office. They wrote greetings and thank-yous to hospital workers, and after learning correct letter format and how to address an envelope, they were proud to send them on their way!

What is the December Award for great Library participation? Why, the **Golden Elf Award** – proudly presented by Mx. Lee to Mrs. Mercer's second grade class!



As if we can't get any more excited, **The one-and-only GRINCH** showed up for a surprise visit at OAC! Mr. Grinch took time to visit every class, even posing for some pictures. We have heard rumors about where Mr. Grinch might hang out the rest of the year, but we have been sworn to secrecy! Thanks so much for our mystery planners who made our holiday even more special! Here's a group of kindergartners enjoying their paparazzi moment!



On December 18, we usually would be all together in the gym, singing and enjoying our upcoming vacation. This year, we knew we'd need something

different and it was SO.MUCH.FUN! **We played ZOOM BINGO!** Mrs. Jennings had a great time as the caller, and our students had a great time winning prizes donated by all the teaching staff. We think we'll have to do this again some time!

**Our specials rotation** now includes Counseling and Safety! Mr. Payne and Dep. Beatty will be alternating with our library program 2-3 days a week. This is a huge benefit for the children. By adding these teachers to our specials rotation, children see them more often than ever before!

**Our enrollment is growing!** When school began we had 22 students in homeschool settings and 41 students on remote. As of second semester we have 17 students in homeschool, 16 on remote, and two brand new students! It is so good to see our children in the building!!!

**Leader in Me Lighthouse Action Committees** Culture Team is leading the staff and classes in designing and displaying bulletin boards in the building. We are ready to go – recognizing our students and staff members for their contributions at school!! The Academic Team has us set up to track our first building wide goal – Building Independent Reading Stamina. It is excited to see the bulletin boards up and we are ready to start adding information this week!

