SABETHA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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Building Report October 2018 BOE Meeting

SeeSaw Video: In early September, SES was contacted by the Kansas Parent Information Rescource Center (KPIRC) asking for teacher participation in a video promoting the SeeSaw application. Mrs. Edelman and Mrs. Koch both agreed to be interviewed. I have provided a <u>link</u> to the finished product. I am very proud of their dedication to their profession and eagerness to share their knowledge with others.



Constitution Day: Constitution Day (9-17-1787) was observed at SES on Monday, September 17th. Teachers planned a variety of activities for their students on this day. As a school, we promoted every individual wearing red, white and/or blue to school.

MTSS Conference: The 2018 Kansas MTSS Conference was held in Wichita on September 5-6. SES was asked to give a presentation on the implementation of our Walk To Intervention MTSS model.

Presenting were Mrs. Gatz, Mrs. Heiman, Mrs. Werner and myself. The presentation was well attended and fostered an informative discussion. It was also an opportunity for us as a building to reflect on all that we have accomplished over the past two years.

Bus Evacuation Drills: During the week of September 11, grades K-5 participated in bus evacuation drills. Students learned about bus safety and practiced evacuating the bus in case of an emergency. Thank you to bus drivers Ann Dietrich, Lana Parton and Brian Jones for providing this important information. Mrs. McGill also helped to supervise this activity and assisted in checking for student understanding.

Book Fair: SES hosted a book fair the week of September 17-21. Parents and family members were welcome to attend with students. Each homeroom had a scheduled time in addition to opportunities both before



and after school. Proceeds from this event help to purchase additional items for our own library.

4th **Grade Art Murals**: Sarah. Hay, SES art instructor, has coordinated a building beautification project with her 4th grade art students to paint murals in the PreK and kindergarten playground area. Students submitted



designs for the area. After the selections took place, Ms. Hay placed the layout on the space and students then painted the design. The murals are a wonderful addition to this area.

SES Site Council Meeting: SES site council members held our first meeting of the year on Tuesday, September 25. A copy of the minutes from this meeting can be found <u>here</u>.

MTSS Process: Intervention groups based on fall data were began the week of September 4th for most grade levels. All students receive 40 minutes of reading and 30 minutes of math intervention daily. Progress monitoring in both of these areas has begun as well. The MTSS process also involves the area behavior. One day a week, students receive instruction in the area of social-emotional learning. This is in place of math intervention. We utilize the Second Step curriculum to deliver this important information. During the September 21 PLC meeting, staff was provided information regarding district protocols for behavioral interventions. Information I gained from the recent MTSS conference was shared. Topics included the phases of behavior escalation and techniques teachers can utilize to help the escalation from occurring. Time was also provided for teachers to review Fastbridge data and training resources for the behavioral screeners, SAEBRs (completed by teacher) and mySAEBRs (completed by student). The fall screening window is September 24-October 5. Upon the completion of Quarter 1, behavioral data will be gathered (screening data, office referrals, attendance, and grades) and analyzed to determine student intervention needs.

Field Trips: Fall is a prime time for field trips at SES. Our field trips serve as an extension of our many curricular areas. The field trips we have planned for the upcoming month, or have recently occurred, include:

September 27: 4th Grade to Arbor Day Farm (Science)
October 1: PreK trip to Renyer's Pumpkin Farm
October 10: 5th Grade to the Kansas State Capital (Social Studies)

UPCOMING EVENTS: October 8: Fire Safety Day October 11: 4th Grade Music Program October 12: End of Quarter 1 October 12: Blue Crew Meeting October 17 & 18: Parent Teacher Conferences October 22: District Inservice October 31: Halloween Parade/Classroom Parties