

Principal's Report

April 20, 2020

School closed for students on Monday, March 16, 2020. The governor has currently closed school until Wednesday, May 20, 2020.

Where to begin?

When I work on the monthly report I look at the calendar and focus on events that have happened in the school. Instead of sharing a list of things that have not happened due to school closing. I would like to share the amazing things that have been happening!

The Sharon Center School community is working together and accomplishing amazing things!

Distance learning is progressing well. Our students have the devices they need and we were able to provide devices as needed.

Students, parents, guardians, teachers, and staff have been working so very hard to provide meaningful distance learning for students. Platforms such as Google Classroom, Google Draw, Google Hangout, Google Meet, Screencastify, Scot pad, See-Saw, and Zoom to name a few.

What does this look like?

- Spanish being taught through Rockalinga
- Virtual music lesson
- Read-alouds on our librarians webpage
- Zoom show and tell (now transitioning to Google Meet/Hangout)
- Zoom social groups, counseling and lunch bunch meetings
- Direct instruction via all the digital platforms
- See-Saw for messaging, posting assignments, and reviewing work
- Whole class learning, small group learning, 1-1 learning

Using these platforms our staff was able to continue core instruction for the students. Along with the core instruction there was a focus on the whole-child as well as family needs.

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- Teachers, TAs, office staff keeping detailed records and reaching out when it was apparent products or communication was lacking or minimal,
- Faculty/staff engaging in discussions around ways to de-stress, organize, relax, and learn new life skills
- Wellness check ins
- Many emails, texts, and calls to check in
- Region#1 Unity campaign (I hope you saw hearts everywhere and our video!)
- Faculty/staff being there for any and all needs of students and their families

Amazing in-house and external professional learning opportunities for faculty and staff, with a focus on the digital platforms. Thanks to Lisa for organizing in-house, all of our amazing presenters and participants.

Faculty, staff, community members, and vendors providing rich resource lists!

Our first Zoom BOF meeting 3/26.

My first Screencastify, a PP explain our budget with my voice narrating

Our cafeteria staff, office staff, and All-Star Transportation have been able to provide nutritious meals to all children in our district. We are so very appreciative!!

- Friday 4/24 Town Hearing, TBD
- Friday, 5/8, Town Vote, TBD

Cash Report Estimates 4 13 2020, anticipating we will be closed for the remainder of the school year. Overall less consumption and cancellations of events. I will provide estimates at our May 11, 2020 meeting and ask you to consider some possible building repairs.

Currently estimating a little over \$200, 000 in unexpended funds. By series:

100-Salaries

savings: teacher line, remedial instruction, sports, extra pay, special programs, and substitutes

overages: computer tech, custodian, TA subs

overall savings approximately \$100, 000

200- Benefits

savings: Insurance, pension

overages: tuition reimbursements, life insurance

overall savings approximately \$100, 000

300-400-500-Purchased Services

savings: assemblies, legal, audit, tech support, water sewage, cleaning, painting, bus, multi peril, student athletic insurance, summer school

overages: BOE inservice, marketing, upkeep, building repair, emergency

overall savings approximately \$3,000

600-Supplies

savings: misc. supplies

overall savings approximately \$12,000

700-Property

savings: none

overages: \$600

800-Dues and Fees

savings: none

overages: none

900-Capital

savings: none

overages: cafeteria

overall overages approximately \$5,000