MCMILLAN EARLY LEARNING CENTER
Board of Education Report

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Mission Statement: *Building a Foundation for a Bulldog Future*

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FOCUS: *Building Achievement Goals*

McMillan Kindergarten teachers completed their second SMART goal data cycle for Letter Sounds. After the seven week cycle, along with intense interventions, 84% of all kindergarten students knew at least 23 out of 26 letter sounds. The teachers and administration were very happy with the student growth in spite of the holiday break and snow days. The teachers are now working on creating a new SMART goal for high frequency word acquisition as well as continuing support for students in letter identification and sounds.

Kindergarten students also completed their first iReady testing in the area of Math. Discussions are underway on best practices in the classroom to support student growth. The building is very fortunate to have the support of Elaine Hansett, the district math instructional coach, and Megan Hampton, the academic interventionist, to support effective math practices in the classroom.

Preschool teachers, building secretaries, and administration have begun the planning process for pre-school and kindergarten screening. Screening dates are May 15th, 16th, and 19th. Information has been shared with the community through social media and will continue to be shared leading up to the screening sessions.

FOCUS: *Student Performance, Attendance*

The overall attendance rate for the preschool program, for the month of January, was 91.78%. Kindergarten students had an attendance rate of 89.51%.

This was the lowest attendance rate for kindergarten in the past two years. Many students were affected by Influenza-A and strep throat. Our custodial staff are working hard to keep our building and surfaces clean so our students can be at school for learning. Daily phone calls continue to be made to students who are not at school.

FOCUS: *Student Performance, Behavior*

During the extra week of snow days, our counselor reached out to our families, who received extra food support, to ensure they had enough food until school was back in session. Mrs. Misty provided a day where parents could pick up extra food if needed.

Mrs. Misty continues to support our students through social groups, Breakfast Club, lunch groups, as well as daily classes. The focus for January was revisiting how to handle big emotions.

Missouri Military Academy cadets were able to once again join our kindergarten and preschool students as lunch buddies.