

Elementary Principal Report

November 2024

Red Ribbon Week (Oct. 23 - Oct. 31)

Red Ribbon Week is an effort to promote a drug free and bully free school environment.

Wednesday, October 23rd: Life is a Movie - Film it Drug Free. Mrs. Monie rolled out the red carpet for our students. Students had their picture taken in front of a photo background. They were provided sunglasses and were allowed to wear dress up props.

Thursday, October 24th: These Paws Don't Do Drugs. Paw Print bookmarks were handed out to students and Mrs. Monie made visits to classrooms accompanied by Warrior Winnie (her therapy dog in training).

Tuesday, October 29th: Make Drugs and Bullying Extinct. Kids were invited to wear any dinosaur t-shirts, socks etc. Students also received pencils with this logo.

Wednesday, October 30th: Be Your Own Hero. Students were encouraged to wear a super hero t-shirt.

Thursday, October 31st: Say Boo to Drugs and Bullying. Students were given a ghost sucker.

MAP Assessment

The Fall MAP Assessment was administered to elementary students in grades 2-6 on October 15 and 17. The following percentages represent the number of students in each class that scored at or above the RIT benchmark for their grade level:

2nd Reading 63%	3rd Reading 67%	4th Reading 59%	5th Reading 60%	6th Reading 54%
2nd Math 48%	3rd Math 83%	4th Math 53%	5th Math 53%	6th Math 57%

Elementary MTSS team meetings were held on November 6th to discuss and analyze the most current MAP and AIMSweb data. The Spring MAP Assessment is scheduled for March 10-11, 2025.

Elementary Quiz Bowl

The elementary quiz bowl team returned only one member from last year, Easton Strand. The seven new members are Abby Helms, Emma Houser, Jaxtyn Soncksen, Noah Hoefs, Krayton Eichenberger, Cody Einspahr, and Kylan Helms. The team competed at their first meet on October 23rd at Southern Valley. The team went 1-2, losing both matches to Eustis-Farnam on the final question. The next meet will be at Cambridge on December 2nd. The team will compete in four additional meets in the second semester, including hosting our own and the final ESU meet in March. A big thank you to Mrs. Katie Helms for sponsoring our elementary quiz bowl team again this year.

Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-Bullying Week will be observed at AHPS from November 11-15. During this time, I will be reading stories to each class that promote kindness and positive character traits. Mrs. Monie, Mrs. Klein, and classroom teachers will also be doing activities with students to promote a healthy and caring learning environment that is bully free. World Kindness Day is Wednesday, November 13th. I have asked the elementary classroom teachers to do something with their students to commemorate the day. I think it's important for students to show gratitude and empathy toward others. Some of the things that teachers are working on include thank you cards to school personnel, classmates, public service workers, military men and women serving in our armed forces, and a kindness quilt. Even though we emphasize this during Red Ribbon Week and Anti-Bullying Week, we work on being kind all year long.

Halloween Parade of Costumes

At the end of the day on Halloween, we had a short parade in the south gym. Students walked around the gym by class showing off their costumes. We had about 50 adults in attendance. The feedback that I received was positive.