January 2021 Administrative Reports

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January 2021

Primary Education Center Newsletter

A Year in Review & Come Read With Us!

Happy New Year PEC! As we turn the page of 2020, I believe it is important to reflect on lessons learned. I have learned that one school community can be strengthened when we work together toward a common goal, even through an international pandemic. I know our home, school and community partnership is stronger as we begin 2021. Through the low and high moments of 2020, I encourage you to discuss the positive outcomes that your children have experienced. They truly are more adaptable, creative and resilient learners. Together we have practiced Covey *Habit #6: Synergize, Together is Better!* We have put together a PEC time capsule of 2020 to honor our school community's



commitment to our children. This iMovie was presented on our January 4th LIVE Morning News Broadcast. In case you missed it, here is the recorded link to watch with your children.

Year in Review

One District, One Book is back for the 2020-2021 school year...with a Virtual Twist! We will have all the same great events...family voting, reveals, dinner specials, community specials, reading events, and family night with a virtual twist.

Watch our Intro <u>Video</u> for more information and for the official revealing of the 2 titles! We can't wait to start our Reading Adventure as an Elementary Community!

One of the biggest challenges that schools face is getting students excited and intrinsically motivated to read. This year we will continue our One District, One Book (ODOB) program created by Read to Them to ignite passion and excitement for a shared reading experience across our school community. Our elementary school community will decide on our ODOB children's novel by voting virtually this year at our local libraries. Stay tuned for all the voting links to be posted on Seesaw.

Then, every child in UPK through 6th grade will receive a copy of the book. Every family in our elementary school community will read the same book at the same time. The shared reading experience will be maximized by enriching activities at school and in the community to enable children to share and experience the characters and world of the book through the month of March, culminating in a Virtual Family Literacy Night sponsored by our Elementary PTSA.

When schools model the habit of regularly reading together as a family, a strong foundation for literacy is created in each child's life. Reading aloud makes better readers. A volume of research explains that children who are read to hear more words and can instinctively recognize a grammatically correct sentence. As a result, comprehension and vocabulary will develop more fully.

One District One Book is not just a literacy program, it is a community building program. Our goal is to create a culture of literacy in every home.

I personally invite your family to READ WITH US at the Lewiston Porter Primary Education Center.

Respectfully yours,

Mrs. Larson



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Synergizing to Help Those in Need!

Way to go PEC! The PEC family has once again shown how kind and generous all our little Lancer Leaders are! Thank you for making the food drive such a wonderful success. With the support of all

Pictured below left to right: Libby F., Leah H., Lucas B., Maxim E. and Charlie C. DRINKING FOUNTAIN OUT OF

the students and families over 15 boxes of food items have been delivered to the Care-N-Share Food Pantry in Ransomville. All donations benefit families in need within our own community.

A special thanks also goes out to some of our PEC Multiagers who worked hard creating posters and iMovies to get the word out! Great effort and much appreciation to you!





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Emma and W. tiney Seguin received certificates from the Senator Or the lesognation of their Thankful vriting pieces submitted in November:

Hour of Code is coming to the Library at the PEG

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Visit hourd sode com for more information and to see our school on the map!

Feel tree o ontactine with any questions, Me Zielinski Literacy & Technology Specialist PEC Library

Let this video roll to see How the Grinch Stole P.E. Class!



How The Grinch Stol...

drive.google.com

One District, One Book

One District, One Book is back with a virtual twist! Each family member will vote between Friday, January 8-Saturday, January 16th. The winning book will be announced at our Virtual Community event on Friday, January 22nd or at our school reveal on Remote Monday January 25. Then, every student at the PEC, IEC, and 6th grade receives a free book that your family can read together. We provide activities, conversation starters, and a reading schedule for you to do together at home. Lastly, on Friday, March 12th we celebrate our reading adventure with a Virtual Family Night! We can't wait for this shared reading experience. Watch Seesaw for details!

Songs of Holiday Spirit in Music

It may look different this year but students in the PEC are still celebrating holiday cheer with singing and dancing all while staying safe following our the Covid safety guidelines.

First graders Charlotte H, Kensley K, and Emily C are pictured below looking adorable as they sing. The virus has no power over music!



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Pir students in the FEO spent the month of December participating in Reindeer in Firing. Activities in neluded:

Hopping and Leaping - Rein Get have to leap this the air off of roof tops

Balancing - Students timos dacross the balance beam because reindeer research be pure? while landing in houses

ouling a heavy sled-filled with ... Mrs. Ferrari - up and down the halls spreading Holiday

Sweater Contest Padlet

Standents on both the white Team and Green Team kicked off Spirit Week with a vote for their favorite Standenesser's Ugly Sweater! Mrs. Pucci, our library aide, took the win on Wednesday and Mrs.

Ulak, Construction STEAN & Enrichment Teacher work on Friday. Miss Mosier was a close 2nd on both days!







Mrs. Pucci -Green Team Winner!

Mrs. Kazulak -White Team Winner!

Miss Mosier -Honorable Mention!

Beautiful Children in Ugly Sweaters and Holiday Character Wear Spread Cheer!













School Physicals

When your child has their physical anytime throughout the year or in the summer, be sure to get a copy for the school. You may drop it off, mail it to the Primary Education Center or ask the doctor's office fax it to the school. This will save you time in September tracking it down for the beginning of the school year. The PEC fax number is 286-7855. New York State requires physicals for new students, and students entering grades Pre-K or Kindergarten, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11.



<u>Brad Rowles - Board Report - Written Report - January 25, 2021</u>

Activities that have or will be occurring at the High School:

Since the NFL playoffs began, we have been celebrating Buffalo Bills Football Wednesday/Friday with our Green and White Group Lancers.

- Mrs. Sanchez and a few of her art students stayed after school the week of 1/11/2021 to decorate our main hallway celebrating the Buffalo Bills AFC East Championship and current playoff success.
- Students have begun to meet with their school counselors to schedule classes for next school year.
- With the cancellation of the January 2021 Regents Exams, we have communicated to the High School community that the week of 1/25/2021 will be a normal hybrid academic week.
- Working with all stakeholders to have a strong finish to the end of the 2nd Quarter (1/29/2021) and the first semester of the school year.
- Low contact Winter sports began on 1/18/2021.
- Continue to arrange for classroom coverage that will allow for staff vaccinations.

A few items to report to the Board of Education and Superintendent

Principal's Activities:

- Making sure that I am visible throughout the school day.
 - Greeting the students each morning as they disembark from the buses.
 - Providing expectations and support to our students through morning and afternoon announcements.
 - Being a presence in the cafeteria during each of our 3 lunch periods.
 - Walking the building throughout the day.
- Fostering a strong working relationship with my staff.
- Meeting with my Student Support Team (Green Team) every Wednesday during 8th period.
 - This group meets weekly during the 2020-2021 school year to discuss student-related concerns.
- Working to maintain a socially distanced building and classrooms through our social distancing guidelines and a classroom utilization chart.
- Meeting monthly with Dr. Lyon and our APEX Liaisons to provide support and guidance with our 100% remote program.
- Met with Dr. Lyon on Tuesday, January 12th, for our monthly mentoring session.
- Met with the Teacher Preparation Committee on Monday, January 11th, to discuss how we can strengthen the collaborative relationship between K-12 and higher education.
- Working with our amazing custodial staff to maintain a sanitized and safe learning environment for all members of the Lew-Port Family.
- Working with Dr. Grupka on an ongoing and regular basis to address COVID-related issues and concerns at the High School.
- Continue to complete my assigned informal and formal observations for the 2020-2021 school year.
- Met with Dr. Lyon and members of the Secondary RTI/MTSS group for a 2nd time, as we continue the development of the RTI/MTSS at both the Middle School and High School buildings on 1/6/2021.
- Have had several conversations with Niagara County Community College (NCCC) and our ELA/Business Academy on the possible selection of additional NCCC College Accelerated Program courses (CAP) to strengthen our college level course offerings at Lew-Port.
- Met with my Peer Coordinators on 1/21/2021 to discuss academic programming and the review of our student placement procedures at the high school.
- Met with the Strategic Planning Committee and Ed Elements on 1/20/2021 to continue the conversation and implementation of the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan.

Wednesday, February 3rd will mark the one year anniversary of my first day as High School Principal. During the past 12 months, much has taken place to alter our known world. I never thought I would only be on campus for five weeks, before being forced to shut down due to the COVID pandemic for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. I was forced to cancel so many important events, help to plan a unique outdoor commencement ceremony, and maintain a consistent open dialogue with the Lew-Port Community. Nothing in my prior experience, nor schooling prepared me for leadership during a global pandemic. The leadership of the school district, its unfailing commitment to this community, and its dedication to my mentorship has been remarkable.

Proud member of the Lew-Port Family,

Brad Rowles

Go Lancers!!!