October, 2024

Ruth Marshall, High School Principal

Count

9th- 74

10th-60

11th-85

12th-70

Total-289

Staff

Our numbers continue to grow for Virtual/Online classes. We currently have 22 students who are full-time high school virtual students. Due to this increase in numbers, we will hire a second paraprofessional to work with our virtual students. We currently have 3 pre-student teachers who are working with our high school staff to gain 80 hours of experience in the classroom. During this time the students will observe, assist around the classroom, and teach at least 3 lessons to the students.

Curriculum

All students will be trained in Hands-Only CPR and AED over the next month. Glynda Szekely will be training the students by grade level. In the future, students will receive the training in Health or PE class and get a short refresher each year.

Our teachers have department level meetings coming up. During this time, they will share best practices, look at testing data, identify areas for improvement, and discuss student progress.

Events

9/20 Homecoming- Lots of activities, Powder Puff Football, and a beautiful night for the game

9/26 Art Prize Field Trip

10/9 District Marching Band Festival (Our students received straight 1's!!)

10/16 Parent/Teacher Conferences

10/17 Get Your Career in Gear (GYCIG) 10th Grade Field Trip to the Career Center

10/14-10/18 Senior Week in Sports/Extracurriculars

Upcoming-

10/24 Make-up School Picture Day

10/24 Final Regular Season Football Game

10/25 Cross Country Regional Meet

10/29 Offering PSAT/NMSQT for Juniors

10/29 Career Center Open House 5-7pm

11/4-9 Volleyball Districts

Dale Rogers, Middle School Principal

- 6 66
- 7 87
- 8 81

Total 234

Middle School

The middle school is selling Little Caesars pizza kits.

Middle School teachers are starting to use the STEM room for various handson projects.

8th Grade students took a field trip to the Henry Ford museum.

7th Grade took a field trip to Art Prize and the Grand Rapids museum.

6th Grade took a field trip to watch Wild Robot at the theater and also took a trip to the Dragon Trail.

Mr. Chapman has been taking his Extension class on bike rides with the new bikes.

Athletics

Cross Country had a successful Invitational and home meet and is now preparing to compete in Regionals

Middle School volleyball will complete the season with a tournament 10/26.

Volleyball and Football are closing out their regular season and hope to make a run in the playoffs.

Iohn Nawrot, Morley Stanwood Elementary Principal

September 19: Morley Stanwood Elementary hosted Family Science Night and our Annual Title I Meeting. 281 kids, 169 teens/adults, and nearly 30 volunteers participated in an evening of hands-on science activities, a family meal, an opportunity to take home a book, and a chance to win fantastic prizes and book sets. A special thank you is deserved to Sarah Benson for her outstanding efforts in coordinating and planning this event.

September 20: Elementary grade levels were invited to attend and watch the PowderPuff Football game as part of the MSCS Homecoming festivities. Admittedly, K-5 students may have limited connection to the athletes that participated in the game. However, one of the benefits of a single campus district is the ability for the elementary kids to build school culture and school spirit through events like these where they can feel like they are part of the event.

September 25-26: I attended, along with Mr. Rogers, the MLI SUPES Academy in Flint, Michigan. This training is designed to build the knowledge and skills necessary for building leaders to one day take on a central office leadership role. While this is not currently part of my vision for my near future, the leadership training, collaboration with other building/district leaders, and other activities will enhance my building leadership and will provide a deeper understanding of central office leadership. I am appreciative of MSCS' support to attend this training.

September 30-October 1: Morley Stanwood Elementary hosted a Scholastic Book Fair. A special thank you to Marla Estes for her leadership in hosting this event. Many families were able to attend the book fair and add to their home libraries.

October 2: Morley Stanwood Elementary had picture day. This was also Fall Count Day. Secretarial staff are in the process of completing the accompanying paperwork.

October 2: Mr. Cole and I participated in a virtual meeting with the decorators to discuss a number of finish options associated with the Phase 3 bond work. This included paint colors, flooring, restroom partition colors-sizes-styles, and more. Phase 3 will kick off this summer and includes exterior doors, windows, a redesign of the south (cafeteria)wall of the elementary school, bathroom updates and more.

October 8-9: Morley Stanwood Elementary hosted members of the Mecosta Township Fire and Rescue. Over two days, each classroom was able to learn about Fire Safety and Prevention, learn about a firefighter's equipment, and more.

Enrollment Update:

2024-2025	Sept.	Oct.
DK	15	15
Kdg.	73	72
1st	71	71
2nd	71	71
3rd	68	68
4th	60	61
5th	81	79
ECSE	12	12
Total	451	449

Jamey Nelson, Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Director

No report at the time of posting.

Phil Stier, Technology Director

As technology increases in use, so does the requirement of moving the data from point "A" to point "B". Our local district receives its Internet and WAN connection from the Mecosta Osceola Intermediate School District. Recently, the MOISD signed a new agreement with Charter Communications to increase bandwidth to all the local districts they serve. This implementation should occur within the next couple of weeks. Preliminary test has been taken place already. This new bandwidth will help the district moving forward if the demand should be greater.

Kristy Thompson, Transportation Director

Routes have returned to normal.

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Kelli Molitor, Food Service Director

Food Service is rockin!

This week the elementary is celebrating National food service week, the theme this year is School Lunch pirates, find your treasure! The girls are having fun, they are dressed with like aprons and pirates hats and eye patches and are serving a special pirate menu!

Alicia Jackson has returned and they are settling into a routine. Next week, we are looking to start the deli, which serves made to order subs for the 4th & 5th grade students.

At the middle school/high school level, we are going to be introducing a specialty pizza that will run each week along with our regular pizza options, and a specialty sandwich each week along with our regular grilled options. We look to roll that out in the November menus.

Counts are good and with these new options, hoping to improve a little.

Lori Bruggema, Special Education Supervisor

No report at time of posting.

Kellsey Fairris, Grant Coordinator

No report at the time of posting.