



PRINCIPAL REPORT
2021-22

Mrs. Tracie Christensen

TO: Emmetsburg School Board

FROM: Tracie Christensen, Secondary Principal

RE: December School Board Report

Senior Open Campus

Seniors were given the opportunity to have Open Campus Privilege if they meet the following criteria starting at the beginning of the year:

- Passing grade in all classes - including proof of a passing grade in currently enrolled college courses to maintain open campus privilege.
- No more than 2 missing assignments.
- Attends school on a regular basis (High School and ILCC) and is on time for classes.
- Has 3 or less minor discipline/office referrals per quarter.
- Has less than 2 major office referrals for the year.

Open campus gives Seniors the privilege to arrive at school after morning college classes or study halls and leave early if they have college classes or study halls at the end of the day.

We started the year with 49 Seniors submitting their open campus request and qualifying for this privilege. As of today, we have 28 Seniors that still qualify for this opportunity. They will regain eligibility at the start of the 2nd Semester.

Portrait of a Graduate

Our committee has met on two additional occasions to finalize the process of determining the skills our District should focus on to ensure our students are future ready. The skills identified by this group include:

- Growth Mindset/Goal Driven
- Innovative/Problem Solver/Critical Thinker/Analytical Thinker
- Grit/Perseverance/Resilient
- Emotional Intelligence
- Collaborator
- Communication Skills

We will share these skills with the School Board, some community groups, leadership teams in the District and would like the thoughts of these groups if they agree these skills will ensure our students are future ready. We will then pull our internal group together and review these skills to

determine the core competencies our District will focus on with this work. We want to end up with keywords that represent the skills identified and can represent the work we completed. We will then share these competencies with the Art Department to create a logo to represent this work and identify these competencies. Then we will be ready to roll this information out to all staff in our PLCs and begin our work to create “I can” statements and begin unpacking these items at all levels to ensure these skills are being taught K-12. While we worked some late nights, I want to say thank you to all that attended to help complete this work and appreciate the input of the community members that attended and collaborated with us in this process.

PBIS Student of the Week

The High School PBIS group has put together criteria and nomination forms for student of the week. The following are our first student of the week winners:

- Derek Lawson - Nominated by Mrs. Riley - Mrs. Riley was subbing in Mrs. Morse's class and was running late. Derek was up in front of the class teaching the rest of the students when Mrs. Riley came in. Thanks Derek!
- Tyler Albrant - Nominated by Mrs. Heddinger - Being hard working and respectful. Keep up the good work!
- Mason Manwarren - Nominated by Mr. Klaus - This dude brings energy and positivity to all aspects of Emmetsburg, in the classroom, hallways, and outside of school.
- Nic Lowe - Nominated by Mrs. White - He greets me when he sees me. He is very caring and protective.
- Gavin Franker - Nominated by Mrs. White - He is always polite, says hello when he sees me and asks how my day is going.
- Bella Winter - Nominated by Mrs. Olson - Respecting Yourself - Bella has been attending school everyday and showing up for herself by getting her Algebra classes done! I am so proud of her!
- Jaylynn Manwarren - Nominated by Mrs. Moffitt - Leadership with Flour sack baby project.
- Carson Hoffman - Nominated by Mr. Dunlap - Great Attitude & Work Ethic.

The group has worked to put together some various awards for these students from donated gift cards to eating establishments in town, front of the lunch line passes and even a weekly parking spot of their choice. We will continue to recognize students for doing the right thing because they know it's the right thing to do.

Holiday Entertainment

We have entered the holiday season and this is a great opportunity to attend one of the concerts scheduled throughout the year. The following concerts are scheduled in December and will all be held in the Auditorium. Take advantage of these opportunities to support our E-Hawks!

- December 14th - 7th & 8th Winter Vocal Concert 6:00 p.m.
- December 14th - High School Holiday Concert 7:00 p.m.
- December 16th - 5th & 6th Band Holiday Concert 7:00 p.m.