SAU 63 School Board Report September 2022 Lyndeborough Central School Florence Rideout Elementary School



COMING TOGETHER AGAIN

The month of August was full of professional learning, parent meetings, new enrollments, hiring new staff, and the best part ~ filling our schools with children!

When August arrived we hit the ground running! Staff were working on curriculum, parents were eager to meet to discuss student needs, and new students were registering. The momentum with which the month opened continued until our opening day of school.

Our staff days back together were filled with getting caught up with each other, reviewing our end of year data, revisiting our safety protocols and drills, and building on our collective belief that we can have tremendous impact on student outcomes when we work together.

Currently we still have a few remaining open positions. All applicants are contacted for interviews, and two were held this week. Some of our positions have not had any applicants, yet we continue to be optimistic about our two most recent candidates.

First day of school numbers:

Grade Level	Total Students	Number of Classrooms	Students Per Class	Positions still unfilled
Pre K*	begin on 9/6			
Kindergarten	42	3	14	2 para-educators
1	47	3	15/16/16	
2	60	3	20/20/20	

3	39	2	20/19	1 ESSR Funded Teacher (interventionist)	
4	57	3	19/19/19		
5	36	2	18/18		

iReady

Both teachers and administrators participated in training on how to administer the new iReady benchmark assessment. Professional development sessions are scheduled throughout the year to support teachers as they become proficient with test report access and analysis, instructional support and pathways for students, and a multitude of additional resources the platform offers.

The iReady assessment began as early as last Thursday in grades four and five. Next week students in grades one through three will take the test. Finally, most kindergarten students will be assessed at the mid-year benchmark as they need some time to adjust to their new school environment. Any kinder student showing readiness for the assessment will be recommended by their classroom teacher. The teacher, parent, and curriculum coordinator will meet as a team to make the decision whether to assess.

ANNUAL MEET AND GREET

On Thursday, August 25, 2022 both LCS and FRES staff opened their classrooms to welcome students, families, and community members to a new school year. The LCS/FRES PTO participated in the event along with the Boy Scouts and Mrs. Spurrell, from the District, registering potential volunteers. Throughout the event kiddos were treated to popsicles and an array of school supplies so generously donated by community members and groups. Food services teamed with teachers to get as many free and reduced lunch applications as possible.



My sincere apologies for getting the report to you late.

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