Community Schools Administrator

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BOE Update - September 10, 2019

Focus Area 2, Curriculum and Focus Area 3, Community Engagement:

- The Summer Escape and LIFT programs provided 5 weeks of enrichment opportunities and a safe environment to spend their summer for over 300 (current) 1st - 12th graders.

Summer Escape Enrollment

1st Grade	25
2nd Grade	30
3rd Grade	39
4th Grade	29
5th Grade	33
6th Grade	33
7th Grade	20

Summer LIFT Enrollment

8th Grade	27
9th Grade	34
10th Grade	12
11th Grade	9
12th Grade	12

- At the Summer Escape program, graciously hosted at Sodus Elementary School, students spent time developing math fluency and in writing workshops as well as learning about social emotional skills through All About Me lessons. Students had the opportunity to participate in STEAM activities, both through scheduled time with the STEAM teacher and through in class opportunities with Lego sets. Throughout the week, students participated in various enrichment

opportunities such as yoga, martial arts, gardening, read alouds with Family Literacy volunteers, Nutrition lessons with Cornell Cooperative Extension, and a class research project that was then presented to parents on the final day of the program. On Fridays, all students participated in field trips to Wonderworks, Fair Haven State Park, Rochester Museum and Science Center, and SeaBreeze. Throughout the summer, the students participating in the Summer Escape program participated in a community service project that involved making various cards, crafts and lap blankets for the residents of the Sodus nursing home. Upon completion, the third grade students took all of the items to the nursing home and spent the afternoon with the residents.

- At the LIFT program, students spent Mondays at Fair Haven State Park. Tuesday - Thursday students had the opportunity to choose 5 workshops daily such as Grilling, Ceramics, Digital Photography, Fun with Math!, History of Rock and Roll, Intro to Springboard Diving, Guitar Lessons and Myths and Fairy Tales. Fridays were spent on field trips.

- On July 16th, I attended a Chronic Absenteeism workgroup meeting at WFLBOCES. Districts and community representatives from around Wayne County met with the goal to begin to build a campaign to target various stakeholders who have the ability to decrease chronic absenteeism, such as students, parents, community members, and pediatricians. A strategic plan was developed with how to disseminate the information using social media and targeted community connections.

Focus Area 4: Professional Learning

The following Professional Learning opportunities were attended during the summer:

- NYSED Office of ESSA-funded Programs Regional Training (B. Barr)
- 2019 Community Schools Summer Summit (B. Barr)
- NASA Challenge (S. Demaray, M. Mahoney)