

District Accountability Committee Celebrations
March 7, 2011

Butler Elementary

1. Butler Library will host author Justin Matott on April 12th. Mr. Matott is an author, entertainer and cheeseburger fan! His visit will include 2 morning assemblies for all of our students and then 3 afternoon writer's workshops where he will actually craft a story with our students and share the writing process. Mr. Matott will conclude his day with an evening presentation for the families of Butler Elementary.
2. NWEA showed an increase in the number of advanced in Reading in 2nd – 5th grade.
3. Butler Library along with PTSA hosted a Family Read-In on February 24th and it was a huge success!
4. SWISS data (progress monitoring for behavior) indicates a significant decrease in behavioral referrals in the morning and lunch recess. This decrease is attributed to gentle start in the morning and the flip flop of lunch and recess mid-day.
5. NWEA showed an overall increase in the number of proficient students in 2nd – 5th grades.
6. Butler just completed our first afterschool tutoring program and had 10 teachers volunteer to give 30+ students a boost in their reading skills.
7. Butler will be participating in the Relay for Life on Friday, March 25th. Students will walk around the track to symbolize there is no finish line until we find a cure. Students will ask family and friends for a flat donation in order to help find a cure.

Twombly Elementary

1. The Twombly Art Show will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 from 6:00 to 7:00 P.M. in the gym. Every student in Twombly from preschool through 5th grade will have at least one piece of art work displayed. Two students will have their art work professionally framed and on display. The principal, superintendent, school board members, and the mayor of Fort Lupton will be presenting awards.
2. Twombly received a grant from Variety of Colorado that will enable students in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades who do not have a bike, to receive a free bike, helmet, and lock. The bicycles will be awarded to students on April 30th at the Fort Lupton Recreation Center. Forlurado will be catering a pancake breakfast and the proceeds will benefit Variety of Colorado so that Fort Lupton can pay if forward to the next school.
3. We are in the second month of the Schools on the Move Challenge. This month we continue to try to get 60 minutes or more of physical activity every day; but in March we are also trying to have less than 2 hours of screen time per day.
4. The first and second graders had great performances for their music concert. The first graders presented Morning on the Farm and the second graders presented Africa and More.
5. The Twombly fifth graders continue to work hard practicing for their play, "Lost in History". Performances will take place at the Middle School Auditorium on April 7th and 8th at 7:00 P.M.
6. The Twombly Student Council now has the recycling program running.
7. There was a good turn out for parent teacher conferences and we worked hard to get parents to fill out the climate survey.
8. The entire Twombly Student Council, 16 members, went to the State Capital for the legislative conference sponsored by PTSA. The Twombly PTSA paid for the Twombly students and a bus was provided by the Re-8 joint PTSA's.
9. Our NWEA scores went up and we are pleased to see growth between 75-91%.
10. Our principal, Gayle Dunlap, and Assistant Principal, Scott VanLoo, are meeting with all the fourth and fifth grade students to set goals for the CSAP tests as they discuss previous CSAP and NWEA test scores.

Quest Academy

1. Quest sent 29 students to the Regional Science Fair at UNC on March 1st, and our students did a fantastic job and we are very proud of each and every one of them! Emily Fitzjohn and Keegan Anderson(both 5th graders)won the Broadcom Masters Program Award for Outstanding Performance at an SSP Affiliated Fair; Rhiannon Mount(6th grader)won 1st place from the West Greeley Conservation

District for the Earth and Planet Division; Tyler Kauffman(7th grader)won Honorable Mention in the Behavioral Science Division; Clint Allen(7th grader)won Honorable Mention in the Chemistry Division; Aubree Hensrud(5th grader)won Honorable Mention in the Earth and Science Division; Courtney Cook(8th grader), Cassandra Horton(7th grader), and Eric BenMajed(7th grader)all won Honorable Mention in the Physics Division; and Vincent Salinas(8th grader)won 1st place, an external hard drive from Seagate, and \$45 in the Plant Science Division. Vincent Salinas also advanced to the State Science Fair Competition in to be held in Ft Collins!

2. Our 5th grade class held their 2nd Annual Civil War Museum, and our DAC members who were there doing their school visit got to attend it and learn about our Civil War heroes first hand from our 5th graders!
3. Our 8th graders are continuing to use Agent Sheets, and the 8th graders will soon be teaching our 7th graders how to use them. All of our middle school teachers will be taking classes over the summer on how to use the Agent Sheets, so next year all students in grades 6-8th will be using them. Agent Sheets applies to 21st century innovation skills.
4. Our NJHS will be holding a fundraiser called Quest Kids Care. They will be selling handmade cards with suckers that students can buy for \$0.50 each and give them to friends, family, teachers and anybody else they chose to.
5. Dacono City Council will be honoring a student in each grade from K-4th this trimester. The students are nominated by their teachers.
6. We met our mid-year benchmarks, and we had no unsats in reading building wide.
7. On Friday, March 25th, our NJHS will be hosting an "End of CSAP Carnival". We will be having a variety of games and activities for all the students, as well as the National Guard coming and bringing a Black Hawk helicopter with them! It is also our Spirit Day that day and it is Twin Day.
8. Our PTSA hosted Read Across America Day on Wednesday, March 2nd, and we had both Mark and Carrie come read to our students as well as several MS student and parent volunteers. Our PTSA is also currently holding their Spring Fundraiser, and it runs until March 14th(so as not to interfere with CSAP testing)and we are using ABC Fundraising again.
9. Our dissection for this month is the Reproductive System. The students are enjoying the dissections even more this year because it is more hands on for them and they get to actually do some of the dissecting.
10. Our P/T conferences were well attended again this year, and the PTSA provided dinner for our teachers each night.

Fort Lupton Middle School

1. Fort Lupton Middle School celebrated their selection as National Middle School of the year!! They held a great ceremony the afternoon of February 25th where many community, district and staff members joined in the celebration of their phenomenal award. The student body, along with all of their guests, met in the gymnasium where they talked about the success and growth of the school. They then met in the commons where each student was individually recognized with a certificate and a treat.
2. 8th-grade girls' basketball "A team" took 2nd place in their tournament that was held in Fort Lupton on February 26th.
3. We are starting a new student- and counselor-led support group that is aimed towards helping students who need emotional and personal support.
4. The AVID Site team conducted interviews for incoming 6th-graders. They had over 70 applicants that were interested in joining AVID in Middle School.
5. Teachers and staff are working hard towards preparing CSAP incentives and rewards. Students have been receiving test practice and test-taking strategies in their Access classes that have been preparing them for the upcoming testing days.
6. Students have signed up for their Enrichment classes that will begin after CSAP. Students have been able to choose classes that fit their personal interests, ranging from Drum Line to Boulder-Boulder Training.

7. The library just finished up their Book Fair which was a huge success. Students were able to buy books that were of interest to them. They seemed excited to find books that they enjoyed and purchase them as their own.
8. The ELL Program is working on choosing their Outstanding English Language Learner of the Year. They will be recognized at an award ceremony on April 18th through a fun and entertaining celebration.
9. Library had a poetry slam that was a big success. We had students from the HS and MS that participated.
10. Talent Search is bigger than it has ever been, it has been extended from just 8th grade to include 6th and 7th grade as well.

Fort Lupton High School

1. FLHS sent 8 students from AP Civics to the PTA Legislative Conference last week at the capitol. This was an exciting opportunity for our students to see the government at work. Special thanks to the PTSA for sponsoring the transportation to this event.
2. The musical production for the spring is March 10-12 at FLHS at 7:00 p.m. The production this year is "The Wiz" and will prove to be a humorous and entertaining event. This year's production has students from a variety of classes involved including drama, theatre production, band and choir.
3. Nearly 30 students attending the state DECA competition at the end of February in Colorado Springs. 11 students qualified for finals.
4. FLHS Mock Trial team competed in their first contest of the year mid February. After lots of practices, the team came in 7th place out of 12 teams and was the only team with nearly all underclassmen and limited experience. Great job Mock Trial!
5. Spring sports are gearing up at the high school with practices for girls soccer, girls tennis, baseball and track and field each evening. Scrimmages will start next week and games will start up soon. Check out the High School Sports.net link on the FLHS webpage.
6. FLHS is gearing up for CSAP with two assemblies scheduled in the next two weeks to work with 9th and 10th graders around the importance of CSAP and student achievement.
7. A group of student leaders attended the EMAC Interhigh Conference at Rangeview HS on February 24th where they collaborated with other students in our league around the importance of academic achievement. Students came back with a number of objectives to help implement to improve student achievement at the high school through their various student organizations.
8. ACT prep activities are being scheduled for juniors during CSAP testing times. A variety of activities will be provided for juniors to practice their skills for the upcoming ACT test in April using online tools and teacher guided practice.