

3rd Quarter News

Welcome back! We have hit the ground running this quarter! I would like to highlight some of our exciting work thus far.

- ❖ January 2nd Independence Staff participated in Professional Development. The collaboration time consisted of:

Grades Kindergarten-2nd:

- ✓ Team leaders shared current data with their teams. PLCs visited and shared technology and cooperative learning resource ideas.
- ✓ Teams reflected on current data & planning with Common Core Units of Study for 3rd quarter.
- ✓ Grades 1 and 2 used their data to update their intervention flexible groups.

Grades 3- 5:

- ✓ Team leaders shared current data with their teams. PLCs visited and shared technology and cooperative learning resource ideas.
- ✓ Team reflection on current data & planning for both instruction and intervention for 3rd quarter.

- ❖ We are in the middle of our 2nd round of data teams in January! Our Data Team consists of literacy support members, counselors, administrators and special education resource teachers who help provide regular education teachers with support for struggling students. Our Data Team meets two times per year. Our process allows for individual teachers to meet with the Data Team and share concerns for students in their classes that may be in need of additional support.
- ❖ Our Character Council, one of our student leadership teams, will be helping to develop and communicate our safe reporting process for peer mistreatment issues between students. Our Character Council will also be helping to facilitate during Character Connection meetings 3rd quarter.
- ❖ Our Character Education Team applied for the State School of Character honor. It was quite a lengthy application process! We just learned that our building has been granted a building visit by the end of January! This is an honor in itself and is very exciting! Once we have our building visit, we should have some news by the end of February with everyone!