

May 16, 2022

Middle School Board Report

1. Special thanks to all of the staff who have worked hard all year to give our students an outstanding education. Without your dedication and hard work, our school would not be what it is today! Thanks for keeping our standard of excellence high.
2. Many positive messages were sent to staff by parents and students during Teacher Appreciation Week. Great to have that community support! These are the best gifts.
3. Our MS band and Choir performed their annual Spring Concert on May 9th. Thanks to all of the hard work of Ms. Verberg and Mrs. Cantu. It was a great concert.
4. The 4th graders will travel to the middle school for an orientation on Tuesday the 17th, this will allow the students to see their classrooms for next year, get more acquainted with the lower level of the middle school, and hear from the 5th grade team.
5. Iowa Assessments are back and we have seen growth in our students. Some students grew a lot, others grew a little, and a few declined. Our staff is already reviewing the data, setting up preliminary intervention groups and resources. Overall from last year as a building we grew 2% (77% - 79%). Our Special education gap also closed by 9%, so it was great to see this growth.

Below are some numbers as we wait for full results to be sent:

Overall Proficiency in grades 5-8 Data on ELA/Math/Science in grades 5th & 8th

**5th - 136/183 = 74%**

**6th - 101/125 = 81%**

**7th - 120/150 = 80%**

**8th - 149/183 = 76%**

**2020-21 Total ELA/Math/Science Proficiency for building — 509/663 =77%**

**2021 -22 Total ELA/Math/Science Proficiency for building — 503/635 =79%**

6. Lastly, Our students had a blast with Midmester, students were excited to showcase their projects and talk about what they learned in their classes. A lot of great pictures are still circulating on the Schools Facebook page.