

## WHA School Board Report February 2024



**HRS Indicator 1.2: Students, parents, and the community perceive the school environment as safe, supportive, and orderly.**

WHA Elementary students continue to work hard to meet reading goals for the 2023-24 Rotary Reading Challenge. Second grade students are fortunate to have Rotary Readers like Sherren Foss and Barbara Gorman visit their classrooms weekly to listen and encourage good reading habits.

**HRS Indicator 2.3: The school is aware of and monitors predominant instructional practices.**

**HRS Indicator 2.5: The school provides teachers with job-embedded professional development.**

During early dismissal on Friday, February 2, elementary teachers collaborated by grade level, with the support of Sourcewell trainer Shelly Munoz, on integrating MN Science Standards within ELA (English Language Arts) lessons. Teachers flagged articles and lessons related to science standards and discussed innovative ways to bring exploration and inquiry into ELA lessons.



**HRS Indicator 1.7: The school acknowledges the success of the whole school as well as individual students.**

Elementary Principal Jill McGowan, along with elementary teachers, celebrated the successes of all elementary students during February's Pepfest on Monday, February 4th. To start off the Pepfest both student and staff representatives competed in various Minute-to-Win-It challenges. Mrs. McGowan then announced the students who were recognized for displaying January's word of the month, perseverance. These students were invited to cookies with the principal following the celebration. Other celebrations included the Golden Trash Can Award for cleanest classroom, the Wolf Pack Pride Rug to one class, and individual Wolf Pack Pride monthly ticket winners.

