

From the Superintendent's desk: August 2012

School has once again started and what a smooth start we have experienced.

Before students returned to the classrooms our teaching staff had a day of team-building at Scattering Forks Outdoor center. The staff, in their grade level teams, took on 6 different challenges that were chosen to strengthen their ability to work with one another despite the difficulty. This was an invaluable experience that I believe will make us a stronger staff PreK-12.

Our district, like others, has experienced an increase in student enrollment. For the past couple years we have had around 430 students enrolled however this year our initial enrollment number is 454 students. I am pleased to see that families are recognizing the value of smaller schools and communities and how they can benefit their children.

As you have heard in other articles, our district has once again achieved 14 out of 14 points on the state Annual Performance Report. This news further solidifies that the Sturgeon School district is educating students with our vision in mind. Our work in Professional Learning Communities has had a noticeable impact on our teachers' instruction and on our students' assessment scores. Our students are also taking more pride in their classroom work and assessments. I am so proud of the district's school board, administrators, staff and students for all of their hard work in achieving this prestigious accomplishment.

Lastly, I want to thank our district patrons for the support they show the school district whether it be financially, academically, or showing up to support our students. With the help of everyone in the community and the school district, the Sturgeon R-V School district is one of the best schools to attend in the state.