

Principal's Report

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Students:

492 Students

Students will be engaging in a few end of the year assessments.

- STAMP test (ASD language proficiency exam), first week of March
- AK STAR / MAP (State / ASD reading and math), end of March and beginning of April
- German A1 / A2/ B1 exams (language proficiency exam), beginning of April
- mClass / Dibels (foundational literacy), end of April

Lottery Report - 83 kindergarten students have signed up for the lottery so far. There are a total of 72 available spots for incoming kindergarten students.

The Jo Sanders Bibliotek (library) has the third highest number of checked-out books for all ASD schools (only West/Romig and Goldenview have more). Big shout out to Frau Gibeault for making the library a welcoming space for students and fostering literacy development.

Staff:

40 Staff Members.

Frau Stacey shadowed administration this week as part of her Master's program. Rilke Schule has a long history of supporting professional development and growth so staff can pursue professional goals and take on new challenges.

The leadership team has been reviewing the drafted Rilke Schule Community Handbook and focussing on the dress code. Once the draft handbook has been finalized by the leadership team, it will be shared with the APC for approval, likely in March.

Parent - Teacher Conferences are at the end of the month. Administration spent time working with the teacher teams to ensure we maximize our time to have effective and informative conferences.

Frau Reimer's students have been using the newly purchased skis during the outdoor PE class. To support this class, Frau Reimer has collaborated with the Nordic Ski Association to groom trails and has invited parents to attend class to help with gearing up.

Curriculum and Instruction:

Administration is accounting for curricular materials to place an order for next school year. ELA and math curricular materials will be ordered through ASD as they bundle the order together and German materials will be ordered directly through Rilke. We plan to place the order this spring so we can receive materials and organize them before school lets out for the summer.

Facility:

Rilke continues to track the ASD Rightsizing process.

Budget:

Refer to Herr Truog's treasury report.

Rilke has collected \$104,000 in activity / supply fees this school year out of a potential \$111,000, which means we have collected from over 93% of students. The account currently stands at \$41,000.

Community:

School tours have been well attended with 6-12 parents showing up each Wednesday morning.

Rilke is attending the ASD Alternative School Fair on Saturday, 2/21, to share information about Rilke Schule with interested families.

Once again, Rilke Schule is participating in the Fur Rondy Parade to raise public awareness about our school and the awesome students, staff, and community that we have.