

Our students and staff have been proactive this year creating and nurturing a learning community that enhanced personal character at school and in our daily lives. As a team, we continued to place our focus on the safety, social emotional development, and individual growth of our students.

The student leaders at North amazed us each day with their resilience and leadership! Our Student Lighthouse Team represented their peers by working to make our school community a better place. As we all worked daily to “find the kind” in ourselves and others, these leaders sponsored an initiative for students and staff to make cards that would become part of a school greeting card bank. These cards were available to everyone and were shared anytime someone wanted to brighten another person’s day. This was simply one example of how our team, parents and staff, worked together to equip our students to be the best responsible, hard-working life-long learners they could be!

Our student leadership roles were back in full swing in both the classroom and school-wide. Some of these daily student-led jobs included bus and car rider safety patrols, flag patrols, hall monitors, peer buddies, school news crew, school store workers, cafeteria maintenance helpers, lost and found helpers, and breakfast and classroom greeters- just to name a few. Our students have taken ownership of their school community! Our afterschool clubs, Knights Run, A Little Knight Music Chorus, and North Art Club, were back in action. Staff worked above and beyond and students continued to get the care and academic support they needed through the following supplemental programs: Project Boost, 21ST Century, and our North Elementary After-School Program.

Academically, our students continue to recover from the pandemic while making adequate progress. They grew 16% from fall to spring in math on our Mastery Connect benchmark assessment. In ELA, they grew 8% from fall to spring on our Mastery Connect benchmark assessment. As a school, we received an excellent overall rating on our State School Report Card. As we continue this journey, as learners and leaders together, we will strive to cultivate productive interactions and foster positive relationships. As a community, we will work to move forward and find our true **NORTH- because any other direction would be off course!**

Yours in partnership,

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