

# Elm Lawn PTO Principal Report

10/20/22

## **Thank you!**

Thank you for all your work for the Book Fair and for the Parent Teacher Conference Treats. Our teaching staff enjoys their time meeting with families, but those days can feel long. Your treats provide them a much-needed energy boost to keep them as alert and engaged in the last conference of the night as they are for the first.

## **Updates:**

- Our Professional Development Day earlier this week included the first chapter of a professional book every elementary teacher in the district is engaging in called "Shifting the Balance." This book explores ways to bring high-leverage instructional routines into the classroom in support of teaching and learning foundational reading skills. This week we focused on the importance of listening comprehension in reading comprehension. I'm excited to see these new routines put into practice in our Elm Lawn Classrooms.
- Elm Lawn's Instructional Lead Team, made up of our Instructional Coach, Math and Advanced Learning Specialist, Reading Specialist, and Bilingual Resource Teacher met today to review math data and plan for classroom and student support based on that data. We'll be doing the same with reading data after the all assessment data is available in the next week or two.
- We have a new Head Cook! Tom Meier will be starting with us on Monday, October 31st.
- Tomorrow, October 21st, is the last day high school students enrolled in the Education Academy at Middleton High School will be observing in classrooms. We've loved having some high school friends spending time with us this past couple of months!

## **Needs:**

- Special Education Paraeducator: 7:25- 2:55 per day, benefits eligible
- Substitute Teachers
- Bus Drivers