



# Andrew Carnegie Elementary School

## Principal's Report to the LSC

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

### VISION:

Our vision for Andrew Carnegie Elementary School is to embody a safe, caring, and compassionate learning environment. We are committed to developing knowledgeable, community-minded, globally successful life-learners who will gain respect and understanding for all cultures, through a collaborative effort among parents, staff, students and the community.

**LRE MANDATE:** LRE requires that to the maximum extent appropriate students with disabilities, including students in public or private institutions or other care facilities are educated with students who are non-disabled.

### MID-YEAR STATS:

- **ENROLLMENT:** 623
- **ATTENDANCE:** September-97.57%, October-96.28%, November-95.87% & December-95.1%. The Year-to-Date Attendance Average- 96.33%.
- On Track % - 66.3% (students receiving a "C" or better)
- Misconducts - 1.59%

**VACANCY:** TAT 1st grade (Maternity Leave), TAT 2nd grade (Maternity Leave), TAT-Music (FMLA) and Art teachers. Mr. Filus last day at Carnegie will be Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. After 5 years at Carnegie, Mr. Filus will leave the art profession and work as a PE. Thank you Mr. Filus for leaving Carnegie with beautiful mural to cherish for years to come. The ACS school community wish all the best in your new endeavors. We also say farewell to Ms. Hicks & Ms. Viado! I would like to recognize each of you for the dedication, talent, energy and care you brought to Carnegie School each day. Educating our children for a successful future is important and influential work and your daily contributions has provided the richest experience possible for our students. I wish you both all the best at your new schools!

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Congratulations to ACS Ballroom Dancers who was awarded "Overall Performance" in the Dancing with Class competition at the Chicago Cultural Center on December 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Many, many thanks to the ACS Staff who prepared our students for the Winter Assembly. What wonderful performances from the PreK-3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes. Job Well Done!
- Congratulations to ACS Lady Cougars, the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Boys Basketball & 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Boys Basketball Teams and the coached who are all undefeated in CPS Sports Programs.
- Congratulations to Coach Adams & the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Boys Basketball team who has been ranked 11 in the state.
- Congratulations to Ms. Adams who selected as Chicago Hero and honored on Windy City Live.
- I am pleased to announce that Carnegie School has been awarded \$11,837.98 grant for after-school programming. The funds will support our Spring Academic & Enrichment Programs. Program dates and all pertinent information TBA.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Progress Report were sent home on Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>.

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN/CIWP

- **Support Area: Quality Instructional Program**
  - Burnham School team observed reading and technology instructional practices on December 6<sup>th</sup>.

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- Elizabeth McLaughlin, Office of Teaching & Learning, Gifted Coordinator observed instructional practice in the Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grade gifted classes on December 19<sup>th</sup>. Feedback was provided.
- Darnell Head, Discovery Education, Dr. Frazier, IB Department and Yolanda Sanders, CPS Stem Initiatives Manager, observed a Discovery Education Science & Social Studies Techbook lesson on December 19<sup>th</sup>.
- **Support Area: Student Centered Learning**
  - Over 200 parents attended the “Christmas Around the World” Parent Night on December 13<sup>th</sup>. Many thanks to Mrs. Watson, Gifted Coordinator and the Kdg-4<sup>th</sup> grade gifted teachers.
  - Kudos to Dr. Coleman, 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade Math teacher who conducted a two-day Parent Math Workshop. Parents learned multiple ways to help their child with middle school math concepts.
    - *Assessment*
      - The MOY TRC Assessment will be administered to all Kindergarten-2<sup>nd</sup> grade students by Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>.
      - The Middle-of-the-Year iReady Reading and Mathematics Assessments will be administered to all Kindergarten-8<sup>th</sup> grade student by Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>.
- **Support Area: School Leadership & Support Area: Professional Development**
  - Ms. Adams, school counselor attended Network Case Manager meeting.
  - Mrs. Roberson attended REACH Training at Civic Opera House.
  - Mr. Kelly, Mrs. Blanchard & Principal Pollard conducted a Discovery Education Techbook workshop for Chief Sanders & Network 9 Principals.
  - Discovery Education has invited Principal Pollard and Mrs. Blanchard to attend Discovery Education STEM Symposium in Santa Rosa, Florida on January 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>.
- **Support Area: Parent & Community**
  - Congratulations to the ACS Raising Highly Capable Kids Parent Graduates. They graduate from the program on December 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - Thank you to PAC who gave-away parent packets of supplies in December.
  - During the week of December 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, CPS provided dental service to all students with signed consent form.
  - Tropical Vision distributed eyeglasses to qualified students today.
  - There will be a PAC meeting on Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the cafeteria.
  - We will conduct a PARCC Parent Workshop on Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> for all 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade parents at 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Please come out to learn about PARCC and how your child is progressing academically.
- **Support Area: School Management and Daily Operations**
  - Balance ball chairs has been placed in Rooms 125, 126, 127, 106, 210 & 221.
  - New lights were installed on the stage ceiling.
  - Additional IB Flags were installed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor between Rooms 212-222.
  - CPS Nutrition and Facilities conducted a building inspection on December 11<sup>th</sup>. Carnegie School has been asked to make correction in the bathrooms, kitchen, dock area, basement/engineer facilities and a number of classroom. Papers and other items have been removed clutter from air/heating vents and the Engineer is working to correct the areas.

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