



**District Mission:** To prepare all students for life-long learning

**District Vision:** We will:

- Exhibit an unconditional commitment to students.
- Provide an environment that is respectful and nurturing.
- Provide a high quality and challenging education in which all children succeed.
- Foster individual and collaborative creativity.
- Foster interdependence among all individuals in our community.
- Create an atmosphere of continual improvement and reflection.

**Title:** District 67 Emotional Wellness Committee

**Date:** May 5, 2011

**Location:** Seminar A

**Time:** 4:00-5:10

**I=Information A=Action D=Dialogue**

**Agenda Items**

**Person(s)**

**Code**

**Introductions:** Debra Ann Rymer

**Positive Words**

**All**

**I**

Charm'd Celebration and Open Workshop was a nice day  
Mentors look forward to having a few mentor meetings next week  
Home tour today was a nice event

**Updates**

**All**

**I/D/A**

**MENTOR ROLE** – had a conversation with all the mentors to generate a mentor job description as well as helpful mentor characteristics. The mentor role is going to become a 2-year position with individual or co-mentoring options

**DPM** Proactive campaign to include more staff on the EWC.

Excitement about the WEB (Where Everyone Belongs) program. Had 94 applicants for some 50 spots. May Play Day – the leaders will be playing the activities they will be facilitating with the incoming 5<sup>th</sup> graders in August  
Eighth grade Chicago trip went really well.

Walkathon- students had voice and choice in where the monies will go  
Will be walking with their partner advisory for Benny's World

**EVERETT** Just had character assembly

Dr. Weimer had every staff member write a note of appreciation to another staff member. This activity was very well received....a great spirit booster.  
Service Learning Projects are winding down. They have been most successful

**SHERIDAN IOU's** – behaviors that are important, observable and uniting. These behaviors have been Identified for staff and students. The process for identifying these behaviors was an excellent, inclusive process

Playground Pals will continue into next year.

Discussing bringing parents on board to the building EWC committee

One more character assembly coming up. EWC has absorbed planning the assemblies. Looking at ways to get students involved in the assembly planning as well

**CHEROKEE** Empty Bowls project was a huge success. Raised close to \$2000.  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade is currently in the midst of a Toy Drive for Children’s Memorial Hospital  
Teacher appreciation week – students are appreciating faculty and staff; writing notes

**PARENT INVOLVEMENT**

Parent Awareness – community oriented  
Emotional Wellness Rep – school oriented  
At district level there will be 2 parent reps for Parent Awareness and 2 parent reps for EWC

**CROYA** recognizing/identifying where CROYA can provide added support to the EW efforts in the community

**Other** **All** **I/D/A**

**Reflection Activity** **RL/JM** **I/D/A**

What is our hope for next year?  
How do we keep up the momentum?  
With new people coming in, how do we preserve the awesomeness that we have created?

All students and adults are bonded and caring in a healthy/successful community  
SEL curriculum at all the schools  
Skills will be automatic at home and at school  
More parent involvement and support toward EW even beyond APT  
Create consistency of expectations between schools  
Seek more suggestions for CROYA and offer more support  
Defining what EW is and then setting goals  
Applying for the NSOC award as a district  
No reports of alcohol and drug abuse by our children especially at the middle school level  
There’s a realization that the way we treat one another is important  
Bullying and cheating is just gone  
All stakeholders have a comfort level with EW and it is just how we are and what we do  
Every student is involved in at least one activity beyond the classroom. With staff, that they as well feel connected and involved  
That more clubs are available for students .... wider range of options  
With the transition happening with the superintendent at the end of next year ... that we not only transition but transform  
Community service is ingrained in one’s character for life; that folks realize and continue to practice that they can make a difference  
That the schools recognize the goals of CROYA align with EW and CROYA wants to help and support this effort.

**Custom Cover Contest Judging** **Whoever would like to stay : )**

**Meeting Dates:**  
See everyone next year!

***“Our words reveal our thoughts, our manners reveal our self-esteem, our actions reflect our character, and our habits predict the future.” ~William Arthur Ward***