



**Rye Elementary School  
Rye School District Administrator Report  
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**Michelle Pitts: Entry Plan Goals**

**Goal 1:** *To build relationships with RES stakeholders, including staff, families, students and community members in order to maintain and enhance the positive culture.*

**Goal 2:** *To gain a deep understanding of curriculum and assessment practices and analyze student data to identify goals for instruction and student progress.*

**Goal 3:** *To gain an understanding of NH state laws, SAU 50 policies and practices as well as RES safety procedures.*

**Accomplishments and Successes**

**Goal 1:**

- We welcomed out new Kindergarten families for orientation in May, which ignited our excitement around the arrival of our new students this August!
- We want to give a huge shout out to Holly Warden who coordinated Field Day, an RES community event that takes an unbelievable amount of time and effort to plan. The volunteers made the day that much more special and the students had a wonderful time getting wet and playing with their friends!
- Students in grade 4 were able to visit RJH twice recently during Step Up Day and then again to see the live wax museum. Thank you to RJH for welcoming the fourth graders and getting them used to their new building on more than one occasion before the start of their journey.
- We had our last staff meeting and all participated in a community activity to paint new rocks for the garden at the front entrance. When the students arrive they will see a word that inspires each of us and will hopefully inspire them when they return!

**Goal 2:**

- The students in grades 3 and 4 were administered the NH State Assessment and after looking at the results, we want to recognize our incredible students and their teachers

for their efforts and achievements on this assessment. We know it is only one data point but we will be taking some more time to analyze and consider next steps over the summer. However, we did want to recognize the fact that none of our students performed at Level 1 in math in either grade 3 or grade 4. We could not be more proud!

- Teachers in grades 3 and 4 participated in an all day training on the Science of Reading and pedagogy around the workshop model. Leah Weeks used some of her learning from LETRS and we introduced the teachers to the UFLI program, one that we will be using next year for phonics. In addition to phonics, we will be using Word Wisdom and Handwriting Without Tears for cursive in grade 3.
- RES staff and RJH staff met for a grade 4 Data Day to discuss the ways in which these students are supported through intervention. The fourth grade students' individual Student Support Plans will travel to RJH so these interventions can be communicated more easily.

**Goal 3:**

- We want to thank the Rye PD for being a presence at many end of year events. The Chief has supported our request for a presence without question and Deputy Chief Blaisdell has gotten to be present for many RES community events such as our Field Day and Fourth Grade Moving On Ceremony so everyone benefits!
- We want to thank Brian Helfrich for coordinating the window film on the front doors and office windows. This is an added security feature and although it has taken some adjustment, we are excited that these changes are being considered and/or implemented with such support.

Current school focus

**Goal 1:**

- Over the summer, I will be working on ways we can build a more family friendly calendar, synthesizing events and dates so families can prepare ahead of time, as much as possible for the year ahead.

**Goal 2:**

- We were able to bring back Kindergarten screening, which is giving us rich and valuable information. This will assist us in grouping students next year and learn as much about them prior to their August arrival. We want to thank our screening team and their hard work in preparing and working with our new students to gain more insight so we can best support these young students.

**Goal 3:**

- We met with Homeland Security recently to continue planning some upcoming training and drill planning. We have built a relationship that we know is going to benefit the students, staff and community at RES.

Other

I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank the Rye community for their support and incredible trust as I navigated my first year at RES. The School Board, parent organizations, families, students and staff have been so welcoming and allowed me to enjoy every moment since my arrival.

Thank you more than you know!

*Pictures of the houses our students created to honor the 400th anniversary of Rye. They are stunning in person and we will display them wherever and whenever possible!*

