

Superintendent Report 2021-10-21

Academic Coaching Teams

Our new implementation is off and running and already we are seeing positive results. Providing more robust intervention resources to our students, in response to the learning loss experienced over closure from 2020-2021 is a primary focus of our program. Elizabeth Weiss and Melina Porter have built a dynamic team approach to intervention supports ensuring all students have access to targeted instruction in core academics. We have heard from parents that they are seeing tangible gains in reading and in student engagement at home. We look forward to further observation and analysis of this program as the year unfolds.

Finance

1st interim is approaching. Using our numbers from the end of October, we will bring a revised interim budget to the board in December. Currently revenue looks good relative to expenses. We have seen some unexpected under-utilization of budget resources due to staffing (the departure of an admin staff at the start of the year that has not been rehired, and the difficulty in filling all open classified positions). We anticipate a favorable interim budget in December. The budget committee was schedule to meet last week, but it has been rescheduled.

Hiring

Harmony continues to seek applicants to its Paraprofessional/Classroom Assistant position openings. 1 new hire is likely in the next week, this will still leave us short staffed by 2 paraprofessionals. Harmony also anticipates a maternity leave for spring 2022. The temporary position will be posted in the coming days for a start date in mid-February.

PBL Projects

Our middle school PBL program is ramping up with new projects underway. The 8th grade class is spearheading the design and construction of a farm stand for our Harmony garden. The student design teams met with administration for a site walk yesterday to assess potential locations. The teams will be conferring next week and hope to present a proposal to administration by early November.

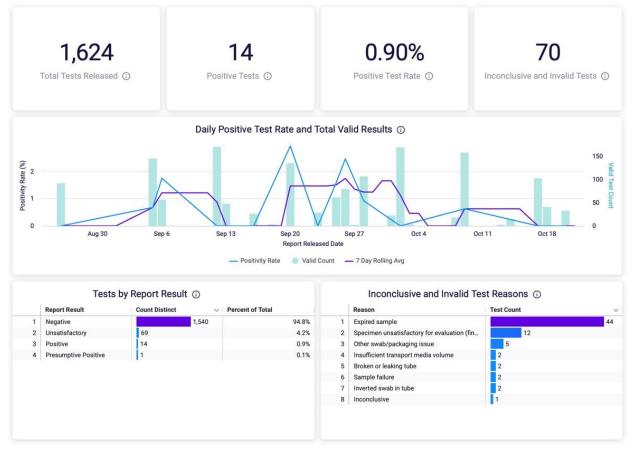
Vaccination Clinic at Harmony

West County Health Center will be providing a satellite vaccination clinic at several west county schools as soon as the EUA is finalized by the FDA/CDC for 5-11 year olds which is anticipated in early to mid November. Our vaccination clinic is tentatively set for Wednesday November 10th the day before veterans day. The clinic will operate from pickup (3:00pm) until 6:00pm. The clinic will focus on first vaccinations, boosters will not be offered. All west county students are eligible to use the clinic at Harmony, or the other school sites (Guerneveill and Sebastopol Union).

Testing

Harmony's weekly testing data has shown improving trends over the last month. Tests last week (October 16 test date) were negative. We had one batch fail, due perhaps to expired materials. We repeated the testing for the affected group (staff) on Monday and found all negatives again.





Bond Project

Staff will be meeting with design team on October 27th to finalize plan responses to questions that arose in plan review in September. Harmony is still on track for field project construction to begin late spring 2022.

Forestry Management

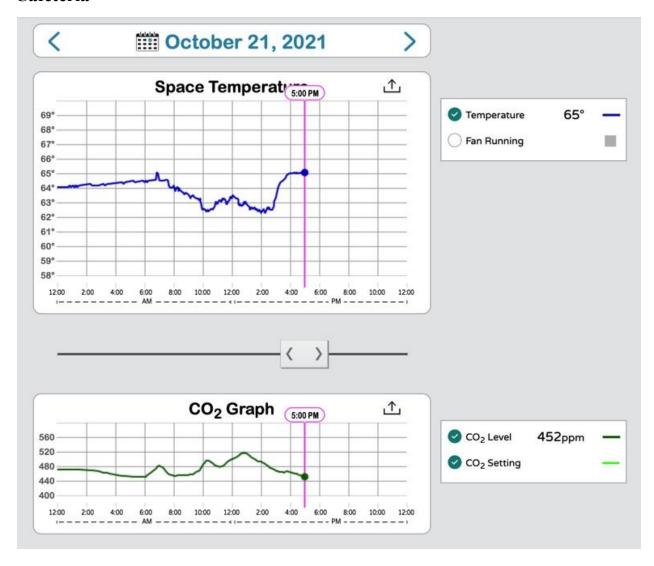
A proposal for a revised forestry management plan has been received in response to inquiries from the district into developing an active fuel reduction program for our forest. The

CO2 Monitoring / Ventilation Surrogate

Harmony installed both networked CO2 meters as well as visible consoles in each classroom for staff/students to monitor levels themselves. Recommended levels of CO2 for enclosed spaces that demonstrate adequate ventilation is maintenance of CO2 concentrations below 700. A sample of rooms is attached below. All graphs are from October 21, 2021. Interesting to note is the impact of the closed damper in the Willow classroom, leading to a lagging indicator of accumulated CO2.

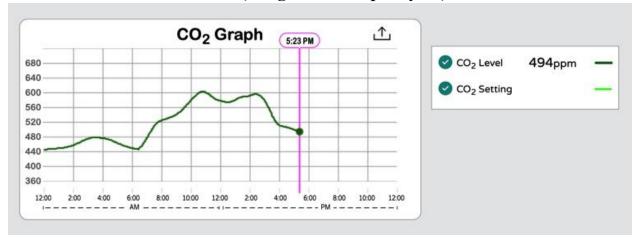


Cafeteria





Black Hawthorne Classroom (4th grade-Occupancy 14)

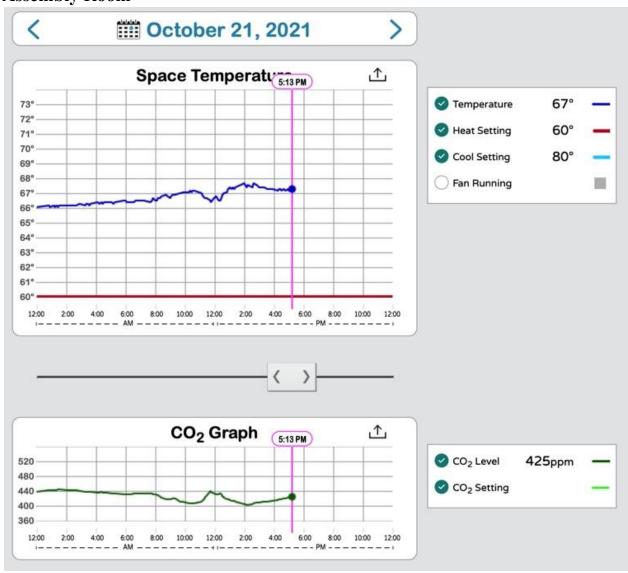


Maple Classroom (2nd grade-Occupancy 24)





Assembly Room





Willow Classroom (5th grade-Occupancy 23)

