

Greetings Elmwood Community,

Christmas is over, and we are in the new year. Happy 2022 to each and everyone of you. I hope you enjoyed your time off and had time to relax. While Christmas is in our rearview mirror, this newsletter will still be covering what we did prior to break.

1. The high school choirs along with help from the 7th and 8th grade choir students put on the Madrigal Concert before we left for break. This performance included all the usual elements of a Renaissance-style Madrigal Dinner, including period costumes, a skit, a traditional Christmas concert, and a sung processional and recessional, though the event was performed in the auditorium this year and was not a dinner. The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade choirs played the beggars, while the Concert Choir and Troubadours played the servants and the royal court. The students did such an amazing job, and everyone loved that the beggars still collected spare change, just like they would have done in that era.



2. Prior to break, I enjoyed my yearly adventure of being the train conductor for the preschool classes as they headed into their Polar Express activity and movie.



3. The District is putting on an internet safety workshop for parents. This workshop will cover the latest trends and online risks that our children face in today's digital world. All parents need to understand the danger of what children can access on the internet and social media apps. This event is free for parents and community members only. Students will not be allowed to attend. Students will have their own presentations earlier during the school day. The event will take place in the auditorium in the Community Center on Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> starting at 6 PM.



I hope you enjoy reading the Elmwood Happenings that comes out each week. If there is something you would like to see me write about, let me know. I am always in search of ideas. Here are a couple dates for you:

Elmwood Board of Education for January is now Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM in the auditoria  
 There is no school on Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, due to the MLK Holiday.

Tony Borton, Superintendent