

MINERAL POINT MIDDLE SCHOOL

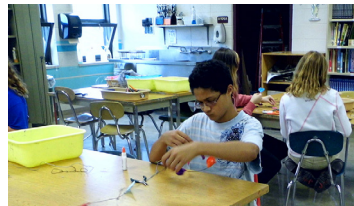
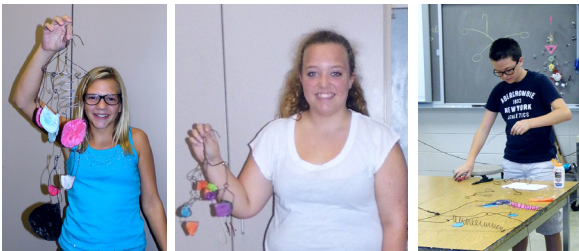
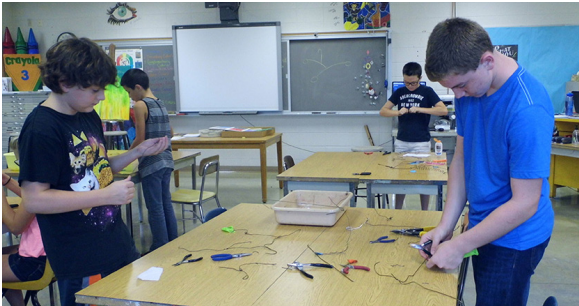
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November 2015 🐾 Education... That's the Point.

7th Grade Mobiles

The 7th grade art class recently studied the artist Alexander Calder who was famous in the early 20th century for inventing the moving sculpture, better known as the mobile. The students worked hard bending and twisting wire to design a well-balanced mobile that could twist and turn. Each mobile is designed very uniquely with the student's creativity at it's best.

Each art lesson that is taught is integrated with another core subject in school, such as math, science, or english. This project used math and science to design a movable wire sculpture. Like always, one of my favorite moments is when a student's jaws drops because he/she comes to realize how much math and science they're actually using. 🐾



UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, December 1

M.S. BBB game vs. Darlington, home, 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 2

Early Release, 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 3

M.S. BBB game @ Platteville, 4:00 p.m.

Monday, December 7

M.S./H.S. Winter concert, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 8

M.S. BBB game vs. Southwestern, home, 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 9

Early Release, 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 10

M.S. BBB game @ Cuba City, 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 16

M.S. Progress reports to be mailed.

Wednesday, December 16

Early Release, 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 17

M.S. BBB game vs. Iowa-Grant, home, 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 23

Early Release, 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 24

Winter Break begins.

Monday, January 4

Classes resume following Winter Break.



Meet the Teacher KIPALEE BAKKEN

Business & Marketing

Favorite Color:

Blue and white, of course!

Favorite TV show:

Dancing with the Stars

Where did you attend college:

University of Wisconsin – Platteville where I earned a Bachelor of Science – Social Studies Comprehensive. I am currently attending University of Wisconsin – Stout for Business Education.

What sports/activities did you participate in high school?

Football and boys basketball cheerleading, band, choir, Speech Team

What is your favorite dessert?

Strawberry Pie. Really any kind of pie!

Favorite place you ever traveled?

Florida – Walt Disney World in Orlando and the beaches of Sarasota.

Where would you like to travel?

Italy, Greece, France, Spain, England, Germany, Norway. Okay, all of Europe!

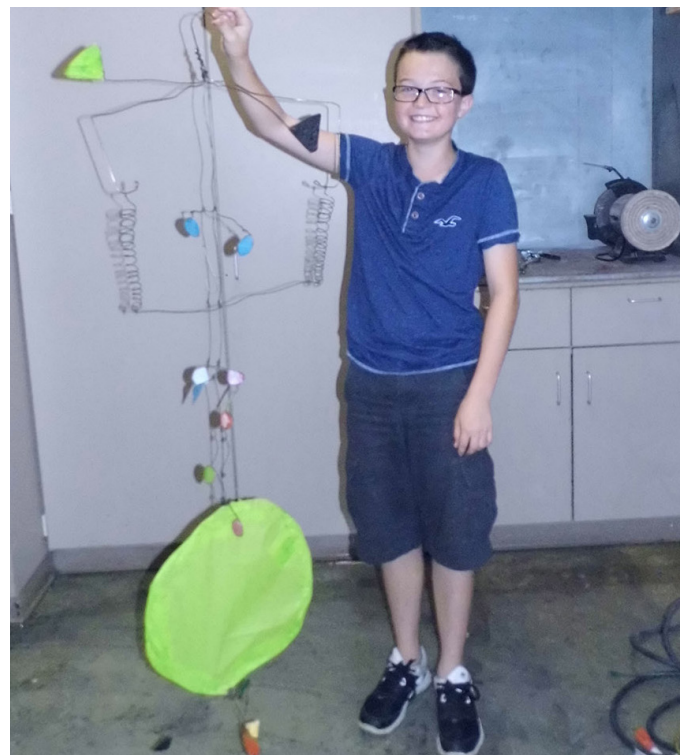
Why did you become a teacher?

I have always loved learning and teaching others. I was given discontinued school reading and math text books by my first grade teacher and held school for my little sister and brother for fun. For my ninth birthday, I asked for and got a desk for my "classroom." I still have that desk in my home today 30 plus years later! When I went to college I wanted to be a teacher because I loved social studies. After I earned my degree and started substitute teaching, I really enjoyed working with students. I learned that it didn't matter what subject I taught, I wanted to teach kids. My goal as a teacher is to help students be successful in their education and prepare them for post secondary education and/or career and life.

What is your birthday?

July 17th 🐾

More Mobiles...





Accelerated Reader Goals Reached

Congrats to the following students who met their first quarter Accelerated Reader goals in both comprehension and points! In the words of Richard Steele, "Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body." Keep building those brains! – Mrs. McCoy

6th Grade

Estelle Janetka
Trapper Nafzger x3
Callie Pierce
Blake Radtke
Ryan Reichling
Rylee Thompson x5
Ross Lindsey
Haydn Marr
Brett Roberts
Alyssa Roelli x5
Jadyn Thompson x3
Kelsie Toay x9
Hope Wilson
Grace Engels
Makenna Ferrell x5
Emily Graber
Bo Hanson
Drew Hottenstein x2
Lexi Kinch
Faith Pilling
Emma Steffes
John Toay x9

7th Grade

Donavin Botsford x8
Emily Cody x3
Henry Dailey
Jerra Federman
Gunnar Gorgan
Mason Horn x3
Ian Keyes
Andrea Kieler
Ivy Lawinger
Trenton Lewis
Daniel Nordstrom x2
Tatum Novak x7
Olivia Olson
Jacob Perez
Cloe Rule
Nolan Springer
Cecilia Stanton
Carson Thomas
Megan Toay x3
Chandler Workman
Macy Aschliman
Alexis Berget
Bryann Cody x2
Brayden Dailey
Natalie Finley x8
Mason Hughes
Sira James
Grant Lee
Victoria Liegman-Handel x2
Haily Murphy x3
Chloe Oberhauser
Jaxon Ross
Bode Schmitz
Keira Schrank x4
Gabriel Sporle x2
Will Straka
Rita Wilson x7

8th Grade

Justin Baehler
Ben Basting x2
Wes Berget
McKenna Bowers x3
Nick Dubois
Ryver Galle
Grady Gorgen
Sara Heisner x2
Simon Mitchell x2
Dalton Schrank x5
Owen Stephenson
Kylie Sullivan
Bodhi Logueflower x2
Morgan Vondra
Blaise Watters
Annie Wilbanks x2
Lily Wong x2
Grant Bossert
Natalie Chitwood x3
Wyatt Evans
Tessa Hanson
Nicole Johnson
Jaden Kieler x2
Cody Lindholm
Isaac Lindsey
Jordan Ludlum
Cody Pierce
Larry Steffes
Lexis Swanson x2
Flo Torres x3
Jenna Wedig
Blake Wendhausen
Madeline Williams

(number)X = how many times a student exceeded their goal

From the Desk of Ms. Dahl, Middle School Principal

Taking Responsibility

It is important for middle school students to take responsibility for their actions and keep up with their commitments.

Admit Mistakes

It is very typical for kids this age to immediately deny doing something wrong. They do this because they do not want to get into trouble and to protect their pride. Middle school students will be more willing to admit mistakes if you don't overreact when they do confess. Instead, use a neutral tone, and give a gentle reminder for minor offenses.

Avoid Excuses

Does your child have an excuse for everything? Make it clear it is their responsibility to find a way to get things done.

Accept Blame

If your child is in the hot seat, they may be attempted to blame others. Explain that blaming others does not solve problems. 🐾

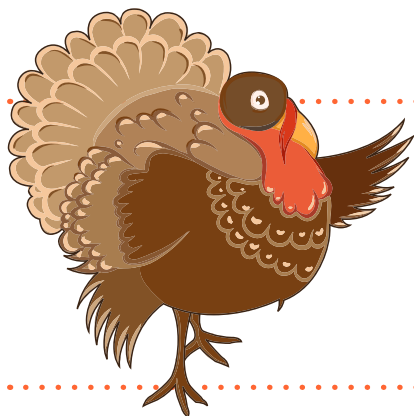
Thank you!

We want to send out a BIG "THANK YOU" to Judy Pelton, Sandy Weitzel, Tracy Wiegel and Tami Chappell, for their hard work and patience thus far this year. It has been a challenging start to the year, with new staff having so much to learn and the veterans having to help out so much, in the MS special education department. They have not only persevered through the continued learning process, but have excelled! We couldn't be more thankful for such dedicated assistants. They go above and beyond every day, to give patience, love, guidance and a high quality of educational support to all of our students in the MS. Thank you so much ladies! We couldn't do it without you!! 🐾

Ms. Needham and Mrs. Payne

WALK LIKE AN EGYPTIAN

WALK LIKE AN EGYPTIAN into the IMC during the month of December to view the sixth grade Egyptian artifacts recently uncovered on their "archeological dig" during the study of Ancient Egypt. 🐾



HAPPY THANKSGIVING
to all of you from the
Middle Point Middle
School Staff!!

Just for fun:

Q: Why did the cow cross the road?

A: Because the chicken was on vacation!

Worth quoting:

"It's not what happens to you, but how you react to it that matters."

Epictetus

CONGRATULATIONS to Nolan Springer!

Nolan has been selected to participate on the 2016

Ohio All Star Wrestling Team. Next summer Nolan and his teammates will embark on a crosscountry wrestling tour. Hard work does pay off. Way to go Nolan! 🐾

