The Weekly Comet Update

From Tom Meyer, Superintendent of the Bellevue Community School District

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NO School and Early Dismissal Dates

- September 6 - No School (Labor Day)

- September 15 - 2-Hour Early Dismissal - Teacher Professional Learning

- October 6 & 7 - 2-Hour Early Dismissal for Parent-Teacher Conferences (3:30-8:00 PM(

- October 8 - No School

- October 20 - 2-Hour Early Dismissal - Teacher Professional Learning

- November 1 - No School - Teacher Professional Learning

- November 24-26 - No School Thanksgiving Break

- December 23 - January 3 - No School (Winter Break); School resumes on January 4, with the start of the 2nd semester; Teachers return on January 3

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Learning and Engaging

The motivation to learn is crucial for students, and active engagement of students is integral in fostering this pursuit of "wanting" to learn and meeting the challenges as they appear in both the classroom and in life.

Teachers are continually working to find ways to get students involved in their learning, and moving beyond the textbook (or the computer screen) that only "regurgitates" information that is already known. Instead, we want our students to learn beyond the textbook and work to solve real-world problems, apply their learning to their own life, and/or make learning meaningful to them in some manner.

Below are several "snapshots" of learning of our students this week (From top left, moving clockwise): Configuring the layout of a building as an example in Mr. Marshall's Industrial Technology course; Creating towers in middle school; Learning at Bellevue State Park with Mr. Reuter's "Field Science" course; Personalized learning through a software program to assist in reading and math at each student's individual level of learning at the elementary; 1st grade students learning about (and eating) watermelons; and students working on a variety of learning targets in an elementary classroom.