

## BOE REPORT 4/23/2018 - Jason Townsend

WES had kindergarten round up last week. It was a great opportunity for the upcoming class to meet the staff and new principal. We are looking at an average size class of kindergarteners for next year.

State Assessments have about wrapped up in the elementary school. Students completed these with little disruption. The state reduced the amount of required testing last year. It really helped reduce test anxiety and “boredom” while at the same time giving our school the information we need to measure our achievement levels.

Act Aspire will begin in the coming weeks. These assessments help measure individual, grade, and building growth in the areas of Math, Science, Writing, Reading, and English.

The maintenance department did a great job at navigating the “water related event” these past few days. They quickly bagged the fountains and got bottled water to the buildings, even on the days that were cancelled.

Track and Field day is scheduled for May 11th. The students always have fun with this. We are planning to hotdogs for lunch on this day as well.

The end of the year is fast approaching. It is always a bittersweet time of year. Students and staff members are looking forward to a much needed break, but at the same time dreading how their relationships with each other are about to change. It is a good sign to see the happy and sad emotions - it means good relationships were built through the year.