Elm River Township School Teacher Report: 12/19/18

I am pleased to report that the kids, once again, did a real nice job decorating meal bags for the Little Brothers. The kids decorated eighty bags to carry the Christmas meals Little Brothers provides for the less fortunate and for those who are alone during the holiday season. I am proud that the kid embrace this small way of giving back to the community.

I am also pleased to report that Ms. Raquel has completed and passed the course to receive her food service certificate. I also forgot to tell you last month that I completed and passed the Michigan School Bus Driver Safety Course. It was a long 18 hours, but definitely worth it.

As far as the bus goes, some electrical issues started to flare up a couple weeks ago. At first, the door wouldn't open or close properly. This occurred occasionally in the past too. Then the stairwell light would flicker off and on and the radio would slowly fade out to black. The heater in the back of the bus also stopped working, as well as the amber and red flashing lights.

We brought the bus to Keweenaw Chevrolet who replaced the battery and some wiring. This seemed to do the trick for everything but the door, so the bus is currently there again. They found out that the small motor for the electronic door needs to be replaced. This should be completed next week some time.

For the third time, we took the kids swimming at Parkview for gym class. We tried to get this in before they get busy with snowmobilers. It's nice to have the pool all to ourselves and not to feel we are intruding on others.

The Christmas Carol sing-a-long is tomorrow night at 7:00 pm. I want to thank all of those who have sold tickets and/or donated toward the raffle. I also appreciate the staff's efforts to decorate the rooms and prepare/buy snacks for the people afterward. Please spread the word to people who may enjoy joining us in this community celebration.

Thank you,

Bruce R. Matson