Elm River Township School Teacher Report: 10/22/19

Three weeks ago, we took the kids to the Rozsa Center to see a Mexican musical called "Sugar Skull!" The performance was for grades three and up, but Kera (2nd) and Silas (K) still enjoyed it and behaved very well. The Rozsa gave the okay to bring a couple of younger students as long as they were well monitored.

We also took the kids to Omer's to teach them how to putt. Terry was very gracious to let us use any open green as long as we moved if someone needed to play through. The kids had a blast! Terry did not charge us for using his greens, and he also provided the kids with a pop and bag of chips. Thanks Terry!

A couple weeks ago, we went to view the Fall colors by the Victoria Dam. There is a nice hiking trail that was about a fifteen minute walk uphill. We were all glad to get to the summit and take in the beautiful view of the trees and dam below. Of course, coming down the hill was a lot easier. Afterward, the party-store in Rockland donated a drink to everyone.

Last week, we went to the Hulkkonen Farm to get a pumpkin for each student. And of course, the kids were able to run through the corn maze and feed the cows, horses, and chickens. More importantly, Mr. Greg is planning a big pumpkin carving Art project!

On Friday, we also had the Twin Lakes Fire Department come and do a presentation for Fire Prevention Month. The kids really enjoyed putting on all the equipment and shooting off fire extinguishers. We also had a simulated fire drill with the usual exit blocked and smoke in the building. I want to extend a special thanks to Cheryl and Rich for being so great with the kids.

In closing, we finally have our Chromebooks and have been using them for a couple weeks. The kids like them and feel they are faster in running our programs. Plus, the new router seems to have improved our internet issues. I have been kicked off a couple times, but it is a lot better than before.

Thank you,

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