



### Student Achievement

- We are screening this week STAR Reading and Math as well as finishing screening FAST for reading fluency last week to inform us of our progress. This is part of the data used to determine student interventions and enrichment and student needs.
- To help struggling learners, we invite students come in for extra support before and after school in our Power UP program. We utilize different space and certified teachers to help our students catch up, improve grades and work on deficit skills. Any student can engage in this plan. We are using our ESSER dollars to support this improvement.



7<sup>th</sup> graders have been learning “life skills” in Life Skills I with Miss Smith. They continue to hone their “teamwork” & measurement skills while cooking above.

### Professional Development & Programs

- HMS teachers joined all of the teaching staff on January 3<sup>rd</sup> for Professional Development with Joe Beckman. This invaluable time re-energized our staff and reminded us that the human connection is more important now than ever before.
- HMS staff will be training during our February PD in a course called, “Youth Mental Health First Aid”. We will be learning about risk factors & warning signs of mental health problems in adolescents and building on our understanding of interventions and connections to support our students.



Speaker Joe Beckman was a huge success with both students AND staff as we kicked off our semester! He brought energy to us all as well as some valuable tidbits of inspiration for teachers, students, and parents/community. We hope to bring him back!

### Family & Community

- Over 100 parents and community members came to the CHS Simon Estes Auditorium to hear Joe Beckman speak and were given tangible ideas to use while navigating life and life’s challenges.
- Our HMS Drama Club will be putting on the hilarious production of “Hospital” by Tim Kelly during the weekend of March 11 at Howar. Mark your calendar!
- HMS Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for March 17 & 22, 4:00-7:30 pm in-person, Zoom and phone options.

### Culture

- Our HMS Student Council has been busy this fall & winter spearheading several projects for HMS.
- LIVE SCHOOL, our electronic ticket system which helps us give “digital points” to track behaviors, create team competitions and set up a student “store” has been very successful. Students gave feedback and enjoy the options to “purchase” items from the selection!



Led by Julie Vanderlinden, HMS Student Council took their group picture just before the holiday break. #REDTOGETHER