

PEEBLES ELEMENTARY -- BUILDING PROGRESS TOWARD SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT/C.I.P./S.I.T. PLANS –FEBRUARY 2005

- **Math --** The Before and After School Math Tutoring Program for 3rd, 4th and 6th grade students is continuing until March 7th. So far, these are the numbers we have:
 - Thirteen 3rd graders have taken maximum advantage of this program.
 - For 4th graders, fifteen students have taken maximum advantage of the program.
 - In 6th grade, fourteen students have taken maximum advantage of the program.
 - Students have been working with our tutors, Ms. Sandie Bratt and Mr. Ben King on both the Destination Math Program and recently, the Cornerstone Math Program. The tutoring will continue until the March Proficiency Testing.
- Mr. Joey Bennington and Natalie Newman participated with the other members of the DPDT in the inservice “Challenging the Barriers to Academic Success.” February 8 was the third session of this inservice program presented by Cathy Hamilton of the Hamilton County ESC.
- In addition, Mr. Bennington participated in the following trainings in February: Standards Based Education in Portsmouth on March 2nd; KRA-L (Kindergarten Readiness Assessment-Literacy on May 10th; and, the Brown County ESC’s update on new Special Education Regulations on March 14th.
- **Science —** Successfully completed the school science fair which was scheduled on February 4, 2005. The following 8 students were selected and participated in the County Science Fair on Feb. 17th: Tyler Rothwell, Austin Baker, Kelsey Bengtson, Kristen Peach, Hannah Greene, Tyler McFarland, Taylor Arnold, and Andy Countryman. Seven of the students projects rated excellent at the county and one student, Tyler McFarland had a Superior and a perfect score. Congratulations goes to these students, their teachers and parents, and Mrs. Jessica Wilkinson, Science Fair Coordinator. In addition to the Science Fair, the following teachers will participate in the Science Curriculum Mapping Meeting on Feb. 24th: Sandie Bratt, Jessica Wilkinson, Lynn Bengtson, Jennifer Grooms, Jonelle Arnold, Heather Homan, Anna Beckwith, and Janice New.
- **Reading –** Twenty-Four teachers along with Mr. Walls and Mr. Bennington attended the Hartcourt Reading training on February 14th. The reading tutors were reassigned in their schedules for 3rd and 4th grade to provide maximum instruction to those students who are at-risk in order to meet AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress). Also, we are having a sub Kindergarten teacher start in March to help those students who are at-risk or below average in Reading.
- **Spelling Bee—**The following students participated and did a fine job in the County Spelling Bee on February 10th: Hannah Greene, Andrew Waters, Christa Little and Morgan Cluff
- **Social Studies –** Five teachers and Mr. Bennington participated in the Social Studies Curriculum Mapping Meeting on February 22nd. They were: Brigitte Gillispie, Elizabeth Beckham, Jonelle Arnold, Heather Homan, and Janice New.
- Linda Naylor has trained all teachers in grades K, 1, 2, and 4 in the use and development of short cycle assessments this month. These teachers completed the development of a test over their power standards. Grades 3, 5 and 6 will receive this training on Friday February 25th.
- Brock Caldwell, Jim Walls, Sheila Brewer, Jackie Johnson, and Joey Bennington received AED Heartsaver training on the use of a defibullator, which our school will be receiving shortly.
- Five staff members attended the SchoolNet Conference in Columbus. They were: Lynn Bengtson, Brigitte Gillispie, Ben King, Carol Shoemaker, and Jim Walls.
- Loy Coomer and Dayne Michael participated the Stranger Review for Alternate Assessments for our Special Education students.
- Sixteen parents and educators attended our Math and Tech Night in February.
- Mr. Coomer and Mr. Walls helped serve at our recent Family Night at Wendy’s in West Union. The proceeds will go to support our Safety Patrol.

Note: Additional information regarding PES’s other significant improvements/activities , can be accessed by going to our school web page at: www.ohiovalley.k12.oh.us/pes and clicking on the monthly report icon.