Dear RMSEL Parent Community,

The spring is always an amazing time at RMSEL. Our students are digging deep and pouring themselves into final products, portfolios, new wilderness experiences, and fieldwork. The spring is also an important time for our school leadership teams to collect data regarding our performance and identify areas of growth for upcoming Expeditionary Learning Work Plan goals for the subsequent school year.

Expeditionary Learning is rooted in our ten design principles and further articulated through Expeditionary Learning’s Core Practices. Design Principle 3: The Responsibility for Learning states, “learning is both a personal process of discovery and a social activity. Everyone learns both individually and as part of a group. Every aspect of an Expeditionary Learning school encourages both children and adults to become increasingly responsible for directing their own personal and collective learning.” Our leadership team and staff at RMSEL take a responsibility for our growth as professionals in service of providing an exceptional educational experience for your son/daughter.

Core Practice: Promoting Shared Leadership – Engaging the School Community and Other Stakeholders with Data states, “school leaders support collection and shared analysis of data about community engagement using multiple sources, including student and family satisfaction surveys, community attendance at school events, and community events and partnerships.”

Our Administrative Team, Instructional Leadership Team, District Accountability Committee, and the RMSEL Board of Cooperative Education Services Board feel that it is imperative to our growth and success to solicit feedback from our community as we plan for each subsequent school year. To collect this valuable feedback we conduct a biannual survey of our community. To determine areas within our school for celebration, as well as determine areas in which we can further improve and grow, multiple teams analyze the results of the survey.

The RMSEL Community Survey 2015 – 2016 can be accessed with the following link: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RMSELCS1516](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RMSELCS1516). The survey will remain open for data collection through Thursday, April 21, 2016 at midnight. The link will also be posted on the RMSEL News section of our school website. Please take this opportunity to complete the survey and include any comments in the narrative sections for response. All survey results are anonymous; the results will be shared with multiple leadership teams, and guide further conversation for improvement.

If you have any problems accessing the survey or have questions, do not hesitate to ask for additional assistance. We value your input into our shared decision making process as we strive to “through our actions exemplify Expeditionary Learning.” (RMSEL Vision)

Sincerely,

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