

# ExCEL Board Report

## March 2020

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With the cold and flu season hopefully coming to an end, ExCEL is ready to be healthy again. We also have spring break right around the corner that helps for motivation.

Student news- Through the month of February, ExCEL maintained 61 members of the wolfpack from start to finish. Looking ahead to next year, projects show a large pack to start the 2020/2021 school year with 66 students. 23 in the elementary, 12 in the middle school and 31 in the high school.

We had some students do a remarkable job in February and earned the title of ExCEL Leader of the Pack. In the middle school Robert P. of Geneseo earned the title. For high school, Ryan S. of Kewanee took the crown and gets to call himself the Leader of the Pack.

Staff news- Our staff Leader of the Pack is Steve Wheelock. Mr. Wheelock earned this title by being a dedicated member of the staff and frequently helping out all around the building. Mr. Wheelock has been with ExCEL since it was founded and continues to be a pillar of the ExCEL community.

Building news- As we enter March the weather is warming, and the sun is shining, but that also means testing season is upon us. Our students will be completing the Illinois Science Assessment this month as well as starting the Illinois Assessment of Readiness in the 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade classes.

Our high school has been very active this semester and continues to be so with our transition services. In February, Mr. Jeffrey took some of the high school students to Hy-Vee for a job shadow activity as well as taking them to Midwest Technical Institute for a campus tour. In March, Mr. Jeffrey will be taking high schoolers for a campus tour of Black Hawk College and touring the Illinois/Iowa Center for Independent Living.