



## EAGLE RIVER ELEMENTARY MICROSOCIETY

Eagle River Elementary School is transforming itself into a fully functioning Micro-Society. Its primary

focus will be to ensure that every student learns reading, writing and math skills while becoming a caring, knowledgeable, and responsible member of society. This program will be school wide, affecting all students in K-6.

Each student graduating from ERES, aside from learning the core subjects, will be proficient in the following:

### GOVERNMENT

Students have already written a Constitution and will elect representatives from each classroom as well as an Executive Branch. They will pass laws, collect taxes and enhance reading and writing skills.

### LEGAL SYSTEM

Students will have a fully functioning legal system including judges and lawyers, as well as mediators. This allows real world experiences to enhance reading and writing skills.

### SMALL BUSINESS

Students will run small business including how to purchase supplies, pay taxes, market their product etc. They will learn how to keep records with debits and credits. Though creative real world adventures, students enhance math, science, reading, art, music and writing skills.

### PHILANTHROPY

All students will learn the benefits of philanthropy both from a personal level and a community level. This enhances and reinforces positive citizenship skills.

### BANKING

A working bank system will be set up with each student having both a checking account and a savings account. In addition, the bankers will learn how to both charge interest on loans as well as give interest on Savings. Students will enhance and practice math skills within real world scenarios.

### MASS MEDIA

Student newspaper, community service messages delivered through mini-commercials and as public service announcements are just some examples of the way students will enhance reading, writing, music, art and speech skills in the world of mass media.

There are many other facets of a society that will be implemented as we go along including, but not limited to a historical society, museum, etc.

