

Quarterly Update for Spring: 2011

Throughout the school year we have been working on our three school improvement goals as part of the on-going process of school improvement. We have kept you updated on our progress and hopefully you have noticed improvements in achievement and growth for your own children. At the same time we have also been working toward another important piece of our school improvement process for this year, the 5-year Quality Assurance Review by AdvancEd. As you know, AdvancEd is the parent organization of NCA (North Central Association) and several other educational accreditation organizations. Accreditation is a voluntary method of quality assurance that engages the entire school community in a continuous process of self-evaluation, reflection, and improvement. Our entire faculty and staff spent many hours in preparation for the recent QAR visit.

On Monday, April 11th, the Quality Assurance Review team spent the day at Seton. Prior to their visit, they spent many hours reading our reports, our self-evaluations, and examining the evidence we provided to back up our narratives. This team of professional educators came to visit classrooms and talk with teachers, parents, community stakeholders, and students. At the end of the day, the QAR team recommended to AdvancEd that Seton should receive full accreditation. As you can imagine we are both pleased and proud.

In light of this positive outcome, Seton would like to acknowledge and thank our wonderful families for their on-going support and spirit of cooperation. We can always count on our parents to come through no matter what we ask, whether it be supporting your student's learning, working through behavior issues, or volunteering and donating to Seton. We have wonderful families and students to work with and for. Without our parents, we would not be able to fulfill our mission to enable our students to grow both spiritually and academically. We are very proud of the positive outcome of the Quality Assurance Review, but we know that improving student learning is a continuous process. So we will not stop working on our school improvement goals, keeping you informed, and asking for both your honest feedback and your support. Thank you again for trusting us with your children each day.