

## Lake Powell Community Social

On September 28<sup>th</sup>, members of the Kane School Board, district office staff, and myself, traveled to the smallest school in our district, located inside Glen Canyon National Park at Bullfrog Marina. Lake Powell School is the only school in the state that I'm aware of, which resides inside the boundaries of a National Park. The National Park Service owns the school building, with daily educational operations funded by Kane School District, and the State of Utah. Kane School District worked collaboratively with the National Parks Service, Utah Division of Natural Resources, Glen Canyon Natural History Association, and Aramark, to host a Lake Powell Community Social at the Lake Powell School. Some of the activities included 5K fun run, solar scope viewing, junior ranger activities, bat and dark skies program, ambulance demonstration, recycling raffle, archery activities, and community BBQ sponsored by Aramark. Students from the school participated in the activities by singing the National Anthem in Navajo, which was an amazing experience to witness. Students at the school have also excelled in Art and we were able to see many of their drawings. The Community Social events also included flu shots for the community sponsored by the Southwest Health Department. Lake Powell School is a K-12 school with approximately 18 students and provides educational opportunities for students in Garfield, Kane, and San Juan Counties. Kane School District teachers from Valley and Kanab digitally stream classes for Math 7 and 8, Language Arts 8, and Secondary Math I and II, to the students enrolled in Lake Powell School. Currently, more students per capita are enrolled in the Kane Digital High School courses than any other school in the district. Some Lake Powell School students are able to attend school by riding the ferry from Halls Crossing to Bullfrog Marina. I would personally like to thank all of the entities, especially the Kane County School Board for their collaborative efforts with other entities to provide educational opportunities to students in one of the most remote settings in the state.

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