

# Facilities Report for October 2025 School Board Meeting Highlighting September 2025 Activities

Department: Facilities

HR|Business Services Committee: 10.13. 2025

Regular Board Meeting: 10.21.2025

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#### Manager's Minutes:

• Construction on the DNT has begun .

### What We're Working On:

- DSC:
  - Transportation building Expansion nears completion, New doors set to be installed.
     Holm Const, Belknap Electric

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- Denfeld High School:
  - Clock tower heating project underway. Benson Electric.
  - Clock timing mechanism calibration. Lumichron Clock Company LLC.
- East High School:
  - CTE Manufacturing space development for new equipment is in process. DSGW is assigned; contractor selection for the project are pending.
- Lincoln Park:
  - Auditorium lighting design underway. Design Tree Engineering.
- Lowell:
  - Installation of new blinds on the windows
- Myers Wilkins:
  - Conditional Use Permit with the City of Duluth for the installation of guardrail. City of Duluth
- Lakewood:
  - Removal of the underground fuel tank, Completed.
  - Quotes for new boilers and installation of new propane tanks starting.
- Stowe
- Working on getting new ANSUL system installed in the kitchen.

#### **Upcoming Changes/Improvements to the Department:**

 Building Operations summer cleaning was a success. Over the summer, Facilities Operations cleaned approximately 1,753,095 Square feet of building space. All while serving the summer building activities.

## **Staffing Report:**

- Milestones:
  - Please join us in extending our deepest congratulations and sincere thanks to Elizabeth LeDoux and Daniel Kolden for 40 remarkable years of service, continuous learning, and invaluable contributions. Both were successful candidates, along with 25 others out of 250 applicants, back in 1985.
    - On August 27<sup>th</sup>, Elizabeth LeDoux reached her 40<sup>th</sup> year of dedicated service with Facilities at the Duluth School District. Elizabeth is currently the District Carpenter.
    - On August 28<sup>th,</sup> Daniel Kolden reached his 40<sup>th</sup> year of dedicated service with Facilities at the Duluth School District. Daniel was the Engineer 2 at Rockridge and retired on September 2<sup>nd</sup>.

We wish Liz continued success and happiness in her vital role! We also wish Dan happiness and health in all of his new endeavors as the retirement wind blows. We are incredibly fortunate to have had the expertise and dedication as part of the ISD709 family.

Work Orders: As of September 2nd

- Work in Progress 374
- Work orders completed 160