

NORTH BRANCH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 138
SUNRISE RIVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MEDIA CENTER
SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION
April 24, 2025

The School Board of Independent School District 138 met in a Work Session on Thursday, April 24, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the Media Center at the Sunrise River Elementary School.

Chair MacMillan called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Sarah Grovender, Shelly Johnson, Tim MacMillan, Heather Naegele, Superintendent Paul and Adam Trampe

Absent: Jesse LaValla

Others in Attendance: Jessica Dale, Mia Dale, Vivienne Fairbanks, Carrie Hoffmann, Harmony Koep, Pakou Lee, Megan Randa, Taylor Swanson, Zayden Thelander, Pat Tepoorten, Lynne Wilzbacher, Melissa Kleschult

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Paul highlighted middle school students who made the Honor Roll and On a Roll lists, high school student Alexis Lemon for completing the Ford ACE Program, 2025 Students of Excellence recipients Rachel Anderson, Jack Baker, Ashley Bistodeau, and Jack Thelander, as well as the winners of the First Annual NBAHS AKC Dog Show: Servin B., Kadence S., and Addison L.

Dates to remember:

- April 27, 2025 at noon - NBAEF Purse and Yeti Bingo, Lent Town Hall
- May 1-4, 2025, Shrek the Musical, tickets are on sale now
- May 7, 2025 at 7:05 AM, Walk & Roll to School
- May 22, 2029 from 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM, hosted by Community Ed and Early Childhood, NBAEC Bus Corral
- May 29, 2025, Community Service Day, contact Pat Tepoorten at ptepoorten@isd138.org if you know anyone in the community who could use a little help

Work Session Topics

Spotlight on Sunrise River Elementary School

Principal Taylor Swanson and Assistant Principal Carrie Hoffman presented on the "Sunrise Way," sharing life skills goals, data, action steps, student learning highlights, academic goals, professional development efforts, and what's working well. School board members were also given a mini tour of Sunrise River Elementary by fifth grade students, showcasing the different wings of the building.

Third grade teacher Lynne Wilzbacher gave school board members and Superintendent Paul a hands-on experience at the challenges of learning to read using new sounds and symbols. She also introduced a “Reading Rope Exercise,” highlighting the many layers and skills involved in becoming a proficient reader.

The work session wrapped up with media staff member Melissa Kleschult sharing how the media center space is used for a variety of purposes.

Board members adjourned the meeting at 7:36 PM

Heather Naegele, Clerk