

Napi Elementary School



August 2026 Board Report

Napi's Vision Statement:

Napi Elementary School, a community of families, students, and staff will work to ensure the very best education for all our children through teaching, guidance, support, and structure.

Napi's Mission Statement:

Napi Elementary School is committed to providing high-quality instruction and support to promote the highest achievement of all students, both academically and behaviorally.

August has arrived quickly, and we are excited to begin focusing on another year of learning and creating fun and exciting experiences for students and staff!

The custodians have done an excellent job deep cleaning the school! The building is almost ready for the new school year!

We are excited to welcome two new members to our Napi Team! Megan Connolly and Kara DeRoche will both be teaching 4th grade students this year! Ms. DeRoche is looping with her 3rd grade students, which will make it an easy transition for her and her students. Napi implemented the 'Looping Model' several years ago to promote the following:

- **Saved time:** Teachers skip the usual month-long "start-up" period spent teaching rules and routines, diving straight into the curriculum.
- **Deepened personalization:** Educators already know each student's specific academic strengths, weaknesses, and learning styles from day one.
- **Bridged learning gaps:** Teachers can seamlessly target and fix past learning gaps without diagnostic guesswork.
- **Higher achievement:** Research links multi-year placements to improved standardized test scores and better overall grade progress.

SBE will work the week of August 3rd to ensure the Literacy Action plan is completed and to support teachers in implementing the new ELA curriculum. A huge thank you to Shelby Hannon, Ryana Augare, Megan Connolly, Carson Bryant, Masala Prellwitz, and Jennifer HeavyRunner for participating in this work.

School supplies are being ordered for students through the school. Students will receive a water bottle, backpack, scissors, glue, notebooks, pencils, and colored pencils. A fun-filled Water Day event has been planned for the students. Our focus is on encouraging students to start the first day of school, as opposed to starting after Labor Day.

A shout-out to Mrs. Jennifer HeavyRunner for designing our calendar page for the 26-27 school year! (top of the page) It encompasses the positive learning and social experiences that we want for our students!

Open House is scheduled for Wednesday, August 19th from 3:00PM--5:00PM.

