



Crosslake Community Schools - Online High School. Principal's report

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News/updates/events

- Successfully hosted the 2026 Virtual Open House for the Online High School on August 26th, achieving a fantastic turnout with 107 participants in attendance.
- Developed and implemented comprehensive scheduling workflows, staff guides, and meeting frameworks in preparation for the launch of Crosslake Connect Week, which will facilitate dedicated goal-setting and relationship-building conferences between our staff, students, and families.

Staffing updates

- Bringing a 0.4 FTE coaching position to the board tonight for approval to ensure adequate support for our programs.
- Actively monitoring staff caseloads and any student enrollment overages to balance workloads and ensure high-quality support across the high school.

Curriculum

- Continuing our monthly check-ins with the 9th-grade team piloting the Buzz platform, monitoring initial feedback and system performance as we progress through the first quarter.
- Actively utilizing our course completion tracking and graduation monitoring systems in collaboration with the MDE Continuous Improvement team to ensure high schoolers are maintaining pace early in the semester.

Professional Development

- Attended the initial kickoff for the SY 27 COMPASS Continuous Improvement Graduation Communities of Practice with BrightWorks
- Held our first dedicated Professional Development day of the school year today, which featured vital sessions on "Creating Inclusive Communities for LGBTQ+ Students, Staff, and Families" and "Supporting Neurodivergent Students."
- Continuing to integrate principles of psychological safety and team performance into our regular staff check-ins, reinforcing our Welcome Back week focus on cultivating a strong sense of belonging in our virtual environment.
- I started my new Ed.S. graduate course, "Leadership of a Learning Organization".

Looking Ahead

- Connect Week: September 29 - October 3
- MEA Break: October 15-16