

ESTACADA —SCHOOLS—

Operations Reports: October 2026



Facilities and Maintenance

John Simpson, Director of Facilities and Maintenance

- **Roof Repair:** Repaired CRE roof above classroom C1A to address ongoing water intrusion concerns.
- **Parking Lot Repairs:** Patched several potholes throughout the high school parking lot, as well as two large areas in front of Orchid Health.
- **Flooding Mitigation:** Worked with the city to remove three large trees as part of the ongoing effort to reduce flooding along the street and in our operations parking lot. The next phase of this project will include digging out and improving the creek bed to improve water flow. This long-term project aims to reduce future flooding.
- **Athletic Field Maintenance:** Completed turf repairs on both the softball and baseball fields. We have also established a twice-yearly preventive maintenance schedule to inspect the fields and identify repairs or maintenance needs early.
- **Power Surge Repairs:** Completed repairs related to the recent power surge. This included repairs to the septic sump pumps, fuel pumps, boiler control valve, and the River Mill exhaust hood.
- **HVAC:** All district HVAC systems are up and running and ready for the fall season.

Looking Ahead

Facilities will continue to focus on preventive maintenance, addressing safety and building needs, and completing projects that improve the reliability and longevity of our district facilities.

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Technology Department

Kristy Cheshier, Director of Technology

Wins:

Football Stadium Hudl Camera Installation

- A new Hudl camera was installed at the football stadium, providing improved video coverage of athletic events. The system supports game recording and gives families and community members greater opportunities to follow and view student athletics.

EHS Main Entry Improvements

- As part of the EHS front office improvement plan, updated door hardware was installed at the main entrance to provide better accessibility and improve access to the front office for students, families, staff, and visitors.

Enhanced Student Safety Monitoring

- GoGuardian has enhanced its monitoring tools to help designated staff identify online activity that may indicate a student needs additional support, strengthening student safety and well-being.

Learned:

Changes Coming to Microsoft Authentication

- Microsoft is transitioning away from text and voice authentication in favor of newer, phishing-resistant authentication methods. Technology is preparing for this change to help ensure a smooth transition for district users.

Improving Application Management

- The Technology Department is working to improve how digital applications are reviewed and tracked through a collaborative consortium, creating a more consistent and accountable process that supports student data privacy.

Focus:

Preparing for Authentication Changes

- Technology has configured an opt-in campaign that allows users currently using text or voice for authentication to transition to Microsoft's updated authentication method at their own pace, supporting a smooth transition ahead of the upcoming change.

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Nutrition Services Department

Lori Dyson, Nutrition Services Coordinator

★ The Nutrition Department served **33,112** reimbursable student meals in September. **1,282 more** meals than September 2025, a **4.0% increase**.

Meal Program	September 2025	September 2026	Increase
Breakfast	10,814	11,516	6.5%
School Lunch	20,121	20,653	2.6%
REID / CACFP Lunch	895	943	5.4%
Total Meals	31,830	33,112	4.0%

★ Meal participation continued to grow through the ***first five weeks of school***. Breakfast saw the biggest increase, while lunch participation remained strong across all four schools.

	EHS	EMS	CRE	RME
Week 1 – Breakfast	501	187	508	410
Week 2 – Breakfast	824	271	513	649
Week 3 – Breakfast	1,010	425	528	663
Week 4 – Breakfast	1,114	502	525	724
Week 5 – Breakfast	1,307	590	591	715
Total Breakfast	4,756	1,975	2,665	3,161
Week 1 – Lunch	955	1,012	1,124	756
Week 2 – Lunch	1,186	1,236	1,068	935
Week 3 – Lunch	1,240	1,154	1,082	930
Week 4 – Lunch	1,350	1,254	1,147	1,069
Week 5 – Lunch	1,279	1,317	1,202	1,106
Total Lunch	6,010	5,973	5,623	4,796

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Transportation Department

Sterling Smith, Transportation Coordinator

Summary:

In September, the Transportation department has a successful and safe first month of school. The drivers are settling into their new routes and are fine tuning arrival times, school line ups, and school departure times.

Routes:

- 33,794 total miles for the month, down 5,309 miles from September '25
- 46 trips
 - 33 sports trips covering 3,760 miles
 - 13 educational trips over 544 miles
- Sept. '26 had a 59% student swipe score with their bus cards, compared to 13% in Sept. '25.
- 599 unique students swiped their cards, compared to 100 students in Sept. '25
- Drivers hit 79%* of their correct stop locations, compared to 36% in Sept. '25.

Outsource:

- EHS's CCC program became live. The department is transporting 12 high school students to and from CCC for their classes.
- One day of outsource scheduled in October for a community run

Completed Items:

- RME and EMS completed Bus evacuations. CRE and EHS are scheduled for October
- One driver hired and their Type 20 certification completed. One more driver scheduled to start in October.
- Three buses had their annual inspections completed in September. All units are up to date through the end of this month.

Action Items:

- Continue to work with our routing software vendor to build useful data tools for ODE reporting.
- The department is still working with the city to allow parking along Main St. to consolidate the CRE and EMS pickup location.

*the department is working with the software provider to improve accurate data performance