FOLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

"Helping Students Succeed Every Step of the Way"

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Superintendent Report, (October 19, 2026)

- Grant Writing:
  - Thank you to Lori Landowski for her work on our farm to school grant application again this year. The Foley Public Schools Child Nutrition Department continues to be a leader in the Farm to School program for the State of Minnesota. The fresh fruits, vegetables, and meats that our district is able to provide for our school breakfasts and lunches are sponsored by these grants.
  - Well done to Matt Buechers and Alyssa Stewart for their work in the Bernick's grant request that they wrote. If successful, this grant could provide as much as $40,000 in equipment that would be used for Youth and Adult recreation through Community Education, 7-12 Activities, and PreK-12 Physical Education classes.

- MInnesota Honor Society Induction Ceremony:
  - Sunday, October 11th, was the Minnesota Honor Society induction at Foley High School Auditorium. I was very impressed with the students that lead the ceremony, as well as Mrs. Michele Gross and words from Mr. Foss.

- Budgeting:
  - The Finance Committee met earlier this month and discussed some of the priorities we will need to have over the next six months as we manage our current school year budget and plan our 2026-2027 school year budget. We have seen a decline in enrollment over the past year and plans to meet those financial challenges are developing. We have roughly 50 fewer students enrolled today, than we had last school year at this time.

- STOPit Program:
  - We have found that the STOPit program has been very useful in providing students an opportunity to report areas of concern in the schools, on the bus, and in their lives in general. Every report is responded to and the anonymous chat feature has been very helpful with investigations.

- Homecoming:

  The week of September 21-25 was a fun Homecoming week. From the sporting events, to dress up days and the class competition events, our Homecoming week was a success.