Facilities Report for November 2026 School Board Meeting
Highlighting October 2026 Activities

Department:	Facilities
HR|Business Services Committee:	11.09.2026
Regular Board Meeting:	11.17.2026
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Current Facilities Projects

- Boiler Replacement at Ordean
- Replace Dust Collector System at East
- Working on RFP's for Summer Projects

Maintenance, Operations & Compliance

- New fire rated theater curtains have been installed at the Lecture Hall at Denfeld
- Maintenance work continues on the clock tower at Denfeld. Three faces are now functional.
- All district stormwater BMP inspection and maintenance has been completed, reviewed, and approved by the City of Duluth. Our process was so successful this year, we will not have to complete inspections and maintenance next year, which will result in a $25,000-30,000 savings.
- Pre-season planning meeting occurred with 2026/27 snow removal contractors.
- Turf replacement presentations have started as we plan for the new East High School artificial turf.
- Replacement of septic tank 5 at Lakewood Elementary is complete.
- Annual district wide boiler insurance inspections are complete.
- Interior window cleaning occurred at DCES.
- District wide blueprint reorganization is underway.
- Pre-bid walkthroughs have occurred for projects at Denfeld and Lincoln Park.

We are still working short staffed in many of our buildings and are continuing to have the openings posted

Staffing & Workforce Development

- **Ryan Butler**: Hired as District-Wide Float Custodian 1 (Effective Sep 28, 2026).
- **Austin Christensen**: Promoted from SSE1 to Engineer 2 at Myer-Wilkins (Effective Oct 26, 2026).
- **Jake Tremble**: Hired as SSE1 at Lakewood Elementary (Effective Nov 9, 2026).
- **Doug Wolff**: Hired as Engineer 2 at Congdon (Effective Nov 18, 2026).

Licensing & Professional Development: Multiple district staff members are scheduled to take boiler and pool operator licensing exams over the next few months.