

ISD 698 Floodwood School District

Superintendent Report



Mrs. Susan Hoeft

April 27, 2026

Safe and Nurturing Environment

- **Security Camera Update**

Phase 1 of the security camera update started on Monday 4/20/26.

New Safety Equipment - Camera System - \$54,270.00

Cyber Security Grant - \$37,273.00

Safe Schools Levy - \$16,997.41 of our available \$19,702.41

Phase 2 After 7/1/26

An additional phase of security enhancement is planned using carryover FY 26 Safe Schools Levy and some of that levy allocation for FY 27.

- **Construction Planning Meeting**

Meeting held with Mr. Clark and Mr. Belden to review site plans and discuss building preparation for construction. There are several areas where custodians can begin packing and preparation can begin while school is still in session. Floodwood School District is accepting donations of boxes, if anyone has boxes available for donation, they would be greatly appreciated.

- **Facility Project Update**

The Floodwood School District construction project is fully permitted!

The Site Work bid has been published with bids scheduled to close on May 14, 2026.

The final component still pending is the asbestos abatement bid package, which has not yet been released by IEA. IEA will be releasing the bid package within the next week.

A special board meeting has been scheduled for **May 28, 2026 at 6:00 PM** to approve Site Work and Asbestos bids.

- **Lighting and Sound improvements in The Big Gym**

Principal Fjeld has been working on collecting quotes, and plans for the update to stage lighting and gym sound system. Superior Tech was the vendor selected.

Equipment has been ordered and the work will commence as soon as possible in an effort to have the system up and running for Graduation. Thank you Principal Fjeld for writing this Lake Country Power grant and putting in all the extra effort to improve our audience experience in the gym.

Fund a 21st Century Education

- **MN MTSS Grant**

Superintendent Hoeft was able to submit the MDE MN MTSS new applicant grant this month. The request would fund a full-time MN MTSS Coordinator for FY27 and FY28. This would allow us to continue the work started through our St. Louis County Protective Factors Grant, as well as provide funding for substitutes so our leadership team can attend high-level MTSS training.

The total request is \$238,131.90. We expect to hear back in May regarding awards. Only seven new applicant grants will be awarded statewide, so we are hopeful the application is competitive. Special thanks to Principal Fjeld and Sarah Lindstrom for their valuable input.

- **Title Funding**

While working with ARCC business manager Mrs. Backlund, we identified that some expenses in FY24 and FY25 were not coded correctly to Title funding. As a result, general fund dollars were used for expenses that should have been covered by federal Title funds, leaving an unexpected balance in Title revenue.

Superintendent Hoeft has been in contact with MDE, and has revised our current year Title plan. Our goal is to utilize the excess funds to avoid exceeding the 15% carryover cap and forfeiture of the revenue. The revised plan will be submitted by April 30, 2026.

Community Engagement

- **Monthly press releases and social media communication**

updating the community, staff, and students regarding the construction project will continue. See the district website for more information!