

**NORTH BRANCH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 138
NORTH BRANCH AREA EDUCATION CENTER, BOARDROOM
SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION
October 23, 2025**

The School Board of Independent School District 138 met in a Work Session on Thursday, October 23, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the Boardroom at the North Branch Area Education Center.

Chair MacMillan called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Sarah Grovender, Shelly Johnson, Jesse LaValla, Tim MacMillan, Heather Naegele, Superintendent Paul and Adam Trampe

Absent: None

Others in Attendance: Erica Bjerketvedt, Amanda Daeger, Kelly Detzler, Kindra Helin, Matt Lartimore, Pakou Lee, Clint Link, Katherine Sapp, Taylor Swanson, Pat Tepoorten, Todd Tetzlaff, David Treichel and Jacob Truby

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Paul reported professional learning continues across all grade levels, emphasizing literacy, math, behavior systems, and competency-based learning.

Facility planning advances as North Branch grows, with Grade 1 moving to the Education Center in 2026–27 and district offices relocating to the middle school to maximize space.

The 2025 Family Satisfaction Survey showed strong district-wide satisfaction, high communication ratings, and continued confidence in NBAPS programs and leadership. Opportunities for growth include strengthening behavior supports, ensuring consistency in academic expectations, and continuing to build on strong communication by keeping messages clear and aligned for families.

Work Session Topics

Building Goals

North Branch Area Public Schools 2025–26 priorities focus on high academic achievement, positive student behavior, and strong family partnerships, with targeted interventions and personalized support helping students meet grade-level expectations and succeed across all programs. Quick wins include high attendance, reduced disciplinary incidents, hands-on learning, and strong teacher and family engagement, ensuring students are safe, supported, and learning.

Board members adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM

Heather Naegele, Clerk