

Long Prairie-Grey Eagle Schools

A Small School with Big Opportunities for Each and Every Student!

Superintendent's Report 09/15/2025

Facilities & Building Updates

- 1. The Track, Field, and Turf project is nearly complete. The only step remaining is painting the lines on the field. A ribbon-cutting celebration is planned during Homecoming festivities to mark the project's completion.
- 2. The HVAC system is still being refined and adjusted, which is to be expected. We are also looking into commissioning work at the elementary school.
- 3. We are planning to add new mulch to the elementary playgrounds and hope to complete this work this fall.
- 4. The district has been awarded a playground grant for the early childhood playground. I am working with Freshwater to finalize plans so equipment can be installed next summer.

Budget & Federal Funding

- 1. Levy runs were released last week. We typically certify for the maximum levy because the district can always scale back before the December finalization. This year, the exception is Disabled School-Age Care, which I am recommending be set at \$20,000 since we usually levy very little in this category.
- 2. Funding for the 21st Century Grant has been frozen, so we will not receive funds for the 2025–26 school year. While we are trying to maintain many of the programs, a fee will now be required. BOLT will be reduced to two days per week. This grant totaled over \$300,000, so the district cannot fully sustain all of the programs it previously supported.
- 3. Enrollment is holding steady. While there is normal movement as students transfer in and out, our numbers remain close to last year's totals—958 students between the elementary and high school.
- 4. The district has been awarded two grants this year: the early childhood playground grant and the Innovative Schools Project Grant (fourth consecutive year).

Strategic Plan

1. Policy updates to 104 and 209 are being made to align the district's mission with the strategic plan.

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