

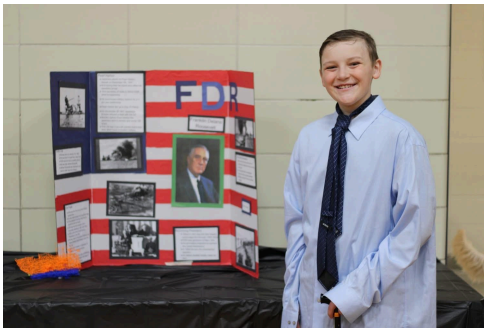


Menahga Principal's Board Report

Lisa Parrish, Michelle Koch, John Hedstrom
April, 2025

CELEBRATIONS:

We have had a busy spring in the Elementary! We ended the month with the Fifth Grade Interest Fair. Students did a wonderful job researching self-generated topics, and creating a project that reported on the information they had learned. The experience culminated with students sharing about their learning with both fellow students and the community.



Students used their creativity and engineering skills during our eLearning day. We had some fun projects shared out when students returned to school!



We've introduced a new PBIS incentive for our elementary students to encourage caring for our school community.

The "Golden Broom" award is given to the class that does the best job taking care of their classroom—keeping their learning space neat and cleaning up after themselves.

We've also started a "Golden Tray" award, which goes to the class that demonstrates the best lunchroom behavior. This includes keeping their eating area clean and leaving it tidy for the next class in the lunch rotation.



Field trip season is here! With the return of warmer weather and sunshine, we're taking our learning beyond the classroom walls. Fourth grade students recently enjoyed an exciting field trip to Deep Portage.

Field trips are a powerful way to provide students with hands-on, real-world learning experiences. They help bring our grade-level standards to life by connecting classroom lessons to the world around us. These experiences also spark curiosity, build social skills, encourage teamwork, and create lasting memories. Whether exploring nature, history, or local communities, field trips help students see learning in action and deepen their understanding in meaningful ways.



Our kindergarten students celebrated "Goodies for Grownups" the afternoon of Friday, April 11th. They shared special time with their families, enjoying tasty treats, reading stories together, and playing games.





Our Art Merch Shop is officially open, featuring artwork from Art League students. We encourage you to share the news and order online for home delivery! This summer, don't miss out on t-shirts and tote bags that will be sold at Floors & More

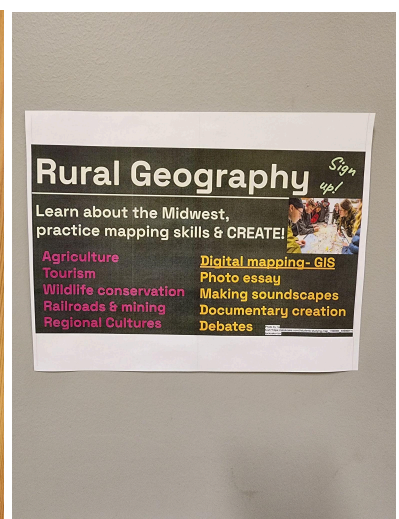
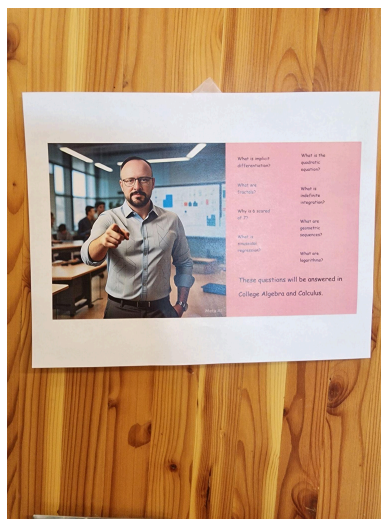
(previously Seip) in Menahga. Every purchase helps fund Art League supplies and field trips.

ART LEAGUE MERCH SHOP: <https://fineartamerica.com/profiles/1-tiffany-besonen>

THANK YOU for supporting MENAHGA ART LEAGUE!!

Senior Class Exit Survey is being completed

- 25-26 7-11 Registrations are being completed. Thank you to Hope and our HS Staff. By digging into surveys and SchoolLinks data, staff has worked to create new courses. Students have been registering during the past week and will continue the week of the 22-25th.
- The following images are showcasing three new opportunities for our students!



Prom has 63 attendees. Theme is a Masquerade Ball. We are having chicken Alfredo for dinner catered by The Cotty. Prom will end at 11pm and post prom will go from 11pm-4am. Prom will take place on April 26th.



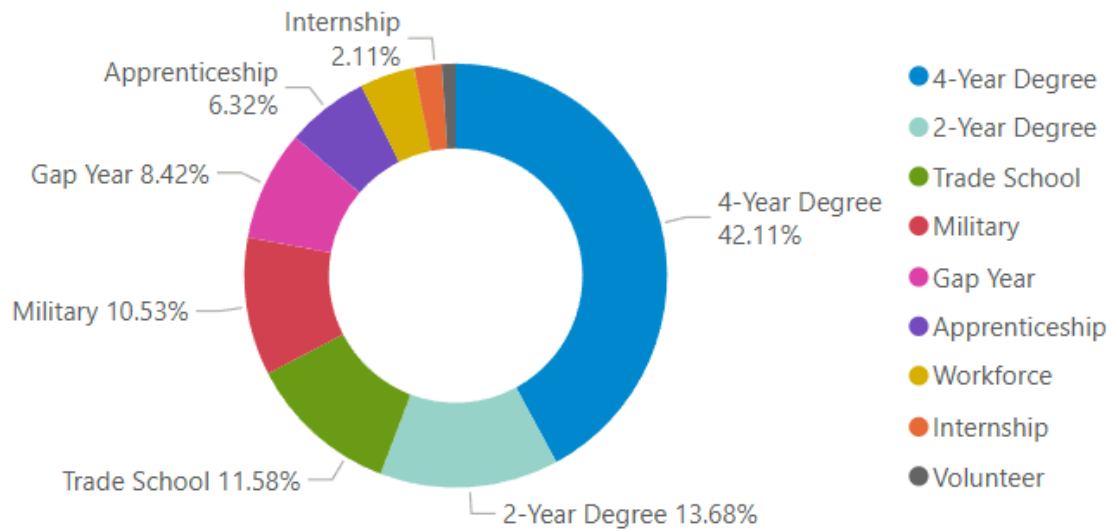
Graduation Update: Graduation We have (as of today) 69 ready to hear their name called! There is one that may not make it to graduation and one that has dropped out to ALC full time. That full time student is not on track for graduation. However we have three former students walking at graduation this year that have met Menahga standards from the full time ALC crew. Graduation is set for May 23rd at 7pm.

Senior Calendar Updates

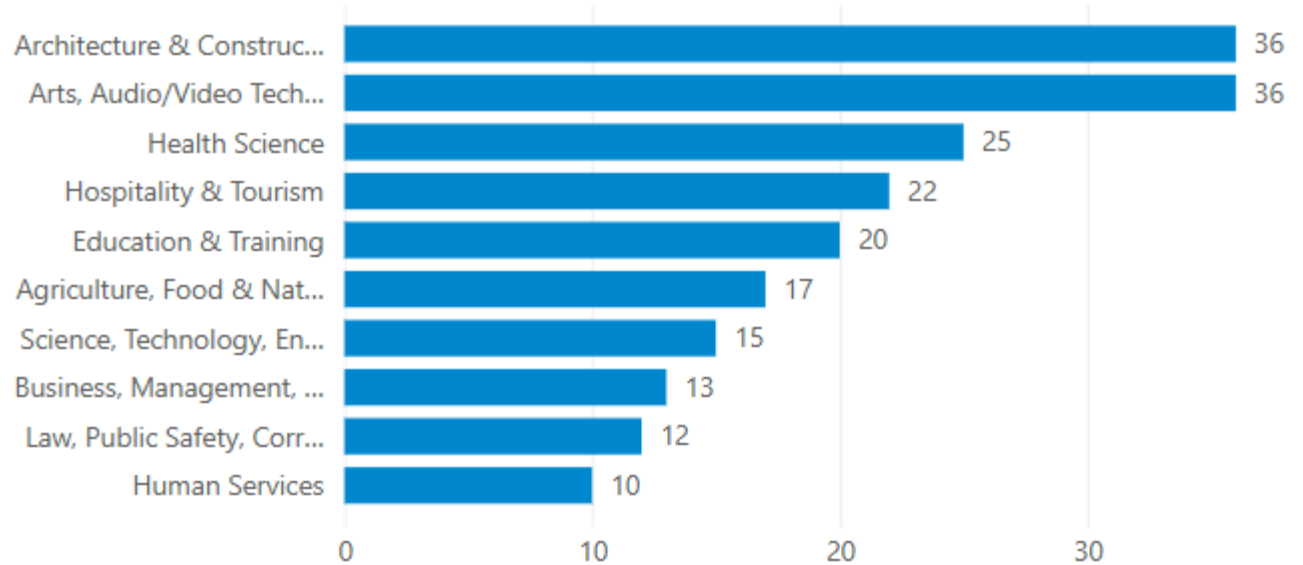
- Senior Memory Walk, wearing grad-wear and walking through schools, Thursday, May 22nd. Time: 10:00am
- MANDATORY, May 22nd, 8:30am, Graduation Rehearsal: In HS Gym, Student speaker practice after rehearsal.
- May 23rd, 6:15pm: All seniors gather in the Wrestling/Multi purpose gym. Get flowers and place them under your seats in the gym.
- May 23rd, 6:30pm: Gym doors open to the public
- May 23rd, 7:00pm: Graduation Commencement Ceremony begins

As part of our ongoing efforts to enhance curriculum development and instructional design, we are utilizing data collected through SchoolLinks and STAR Assessments to inform our decisions. These tools provide valuable insights into student performance, growth trends, and post-secondary planning, allowing us to identify areas of strength and opportunities for improvement. I would be happy to share sample data sets with the board to illustrate how this information is guiding our curriculum planning and supporting student success. We will have a full year's STAR data within our SPED student community and one benchmark in reading and math from the HS general education community. We always have FastBridge Data in Reading and Math for our 7th and 8th graders.

Students by Post-Secondary Goal



Students by Cluster



RENAISSANCE[®] State Standards Mastery - I Star Reading Enterprise

School
All Schools
Menahga Secondary School


Grade
Grade 9

Demographics
All Demographics

Mastery Distribution of Core Progress Reading built for MN

Beginning 0 - 59% mastery
Developing 60 - 79% mastery
Secure 80 - 100% mastery

Reading
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Math Curriculum 6-8: ☐ enVision Curriculum 2025

Science 7-8, HS Life Sciences: ☐ Science Curriculum

24-25 Menahga MCA/MTAS Schedule

Elementary MCA/MTAS Schedule (3-6)

	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Make-ups
Reading: 4/1 - 4/2	9:00 - 11:00	9:45 - 11:45	12:15 - 2:15	12:30 - 2:00	Week of 4/7
Math: 4/15, 4/17	9:00 - 11:00	9:45 - 11:45	12:15 - 2:15	12:30 - 2:00	Week of 4/21

High School MCA/MTAS Schedule (7-11)

	7th	8th	10th	11th	Make-ups
Reading: 4/1 - 4/2	8:30 - 10:00		1:20 - 3:00		Week of 4/7
Math: 4/15, 4/17	8:30 - 10:00		1:20 - 3:00		Week of 4/21

District Science MCA/Alt MCA

	5th	8th	HS	Make-ups
Science: 4/30 - 5/1	12:15 - 2:15	8:30 - 10:00	1:20 - 3:00	May 2, 5 & 6



****Other Upcoming events!***

April 24th — Sectional Art Awards & Activities (All Day in New York Mills)

April 24-25- MSHSL State Speech

April 27th-29th – MN State FFA Convention @ the U of MN

May 1st – 3-5 Grade Spring Concert (HS Gym) at 6:00pm

May 5th – Spring Band Concert (HS Gym) at 7:00pm

May 12th – Spring Choir Concert at 7:00pm

May 13th – 3rd-6th Grade Track and Field Day

May 14th – K-2nd Grade Track & Field Day

May 17th - Scholarship Night (HS Commons @ 7pm)

May 23rd - Graduation/Last Day of School

Menahga Principal Goals for 2024-2025

1. Support Staff

- a. As school leaders we will provide clear communication on the happenings of our buildings while maintaining open lines of communication to support staff and their work with students.**
 - i. Staff Newsletters are coming, monthly**
 - ii. Staff meetings are happening, monthly**
 - iii. Committee meetings are happening, monthly**
 - iv. The Culture and Climate Survey was given to gather feedback on what went well in 2024-2025 and to gather ideas for future growth and development in 2025-2026.**
 - v. ALICE**
- b. Specific, valuable feedback will be provided to staff in an effort to continue ongoing growth for our teachers as instructional leaders.**
 - i. Third round of observations are completed or close to being completed. High School is just behind the Elementary schedule.**
 - ii. Tenured teachers have completed the observation cycle.**
 - iii. Walk throughs are happening as allowed.**
 - iv. Literacy coaching in cooperation with the READ Act is underway. The last live session of OL-LA was conducted on April 18th. All training concludes April 25th.**
 - v. "Train the Trainer" session slated for summer. This opportunity allows Menahga to have a staff member in-district that could provide the mandated paraprofessional READ Act training.**
 - vi. Bridges math professional development is being worked on for the 25-26 school year.**

2. Facilitate Strong Student Achievement

- a. We will collaborate with all staff to provide purpose and professional development around assessments and using data to drive instruction.**
 - i. Local Literacy Leads, Andria Bristow and Lisa Parrish continue to attend Sourcewell monthly for additional planning around Minnesota's Literacy changes.**
 - ii. Sourcewell provided training and support with AI and the impact it has on teachers, differentiation and student support.**
 - iii. Summer professional development opportunities are being prepared for roll-out to staff.**

Menahga School District Enrollment

Grade Level	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	
PreK	18	18	18	18	17	16	16	16		
VPK	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30		
K	65	65	66	67	68	67	66	66		
1	69	70	70	70	70	70	70	70		
2	74	72	71	71	71	70	70	70		
3	82	83	83	81	83	83	83	83		
4	68	68	68	68	67	66	66	66		
5	73	73	73	74	75	75	75	75		
6	72	73	73	74	72	72	72	72		
7	81	79	78	79	80	80	80	79		
8	78	77	77	77	77	76	76	76		
9	90	89	89	88	88	89	90	90		
10	71	68	69	69	69	69	70	70		
11	78	74	74	72	73	71	71	71		
12	69	65	66	66	66	64	64	64		
Total	1018	1004	1005	1004	1006	998	999	998		

Respectfully Submitted,

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