

Superintendent Update

December 12, 2024



At the forefront of educational excellence



WHAT WE INTEND TO CREATE

*Inspire dreams, build integrity and instill hope
in our students, our staff, our families and our communities.*

OUR PURPOSE

*Partner with students, staff, families and communities to challenge all
students to achieve their greatest potential and become informed and
engaged citizens.*

Viking Spotlight: Madison Moran



Madison Moran, an Air Force Junior ROTC cadet, has been selected for the prestigious Air Force Junior ROTC Flight Academy, an incredible opportunity to attend an all-expenses-paid summer program to earn her private pilot license.

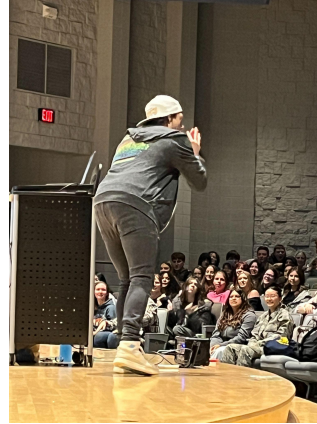
Madison is pictured holding a golden ticket as a recipient of a full scholarship to attend the University of St. Thomas next fall.

Prioritizing Human Connection



This week, renowned speaker Joe Beckman is inspiring students across the district to embrace the power of human connection by prioritizing relationships over convenience.

We also had 85 students and coaches attend Joe Beckman's leadership presentation that focused on "what it means to be a leader" and "how to lead" while incorporating the three primary topics from all school presentations which included self-worth, resilience, and human connection.



She keeps the biscuit out of the basket!



Abby Thurmer recorded her historic 1000th career save in the 2nd period of a 7-1 Northern Tier Stars varsity win vs. Two Rivers/St. Paul on November 26. Congratulations Abby!



Community Support for Auto Pathway



The NBAHS auto program recently received a donation of a 2008 Chevy Impala from JPC Auto Sales. This car couldn't have been donated without the help of KNH Autos. The owner of KNH Autos (Mitch Laska) is a former North Branch student. KNH Autos did an inspection on the car the morning of donation to make sure the car was safe for the students. During the inspection they found that the car had a gas line leak. KNH Autos fixed the issue and paid for all parts and labor so that JPC Auto Sales LLC could get the car donated to the school. Thanks to JPC and KNH!



Hat and mittens donation from Neighborhood National Bank

SKOL! and thanks to Neighborhood National Bank staff and customers for their donation of two boxes of hats and mittens for students, just in time for the winter weather!

Pictured are NNB staff Jessie Magnison (left) and Eddie Prigge.



Welcome- Officer Southwarth, SRO



- Started end of November
- Currently meeting with building leaders, touring buildings, diving into the work
- Excited to be part of our team and expanding our partnership between the School District and Police Department



Room to Grow

The city of North Branch continues to approve housing developments.

NBAPS has room to grow.

- 20 years ago, we served 3850. Our enrollment declined steadily until 2021.
- Since 2021, we stopped the trend of declining enrollment; we currently serve approximately 2700 students.
- We are conducting a facilities review to determine how to best utilize existing space as enrollment continues to grow.

County Collaboration

Isanti County- Connection with Amanda Usher County Administrator to explore ways to align our work

Chisago County- Ongoing work with Chisago County Children's Collaborative to allocate resources to shared priorities.





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