

Admin Reports to the Board

April 2025

Kyle Luedtke Superintendent	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• On Monday, April 28 I will be attending the Joint Finance Committee (JFC) listening session in Hayward. I want to push the JFC on increasing special education funding in the next biennial budget. Annually we transfer funds from our General Fund (10) into our Special Education Fund (27). Currently we are reimbursed at approximately 33%. The goal would be to have this increase to 60%.• I will be attending the spring WASDA conference in Madison April 23-25. Hopefully we will receive some information on the direction the Dept. of Education is headed and federal funding for public education.• I have been working with our 6-12 guidance counselor, Emily Stauty, on our high school course description book. The goal is to have the board approve the course offerings at the May board meeting.• Daren Sievers, School Perceptions, will present at the May board meeting on surveying staff and the community. There still will be time for a staff survey for 24-25.
Megan Challoner Elementary Principal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We had 21 of our newest little Vikings at the 4K Roundup. Families toured classrooms, explored the school, and met the incredible teachers who'll be guiding these tiny trailblazers this fall.• The 3rd Annual STEAM Night was a huge success, welcoming around 310 guests to this PTO and school-sponsored event. Highlights included live snakes and spiders, planetarium showings, a flight simulator, Happy Hive interactive play, library marble runs, bridge building, microscopes, rock exploration, and much more! Families enjoyed Subway while exploring 21 interactive stations throughout the evening. A huge shoutout to all the people who made that magical night happen• We have just under 200 students enrolled in our summer school program. All of our out of district families have been communicated with about enrollment and many are electing to move forward with registration and the paying the fees. All summer school teaching positions have been filled and teachers know class sizes so they are able to start planning now. Having a deadline has helped streamline all of these processes.• Our test, like a Ninja Forward testing, is almost complete. Our 3rd-5th grade students worked hard and tried their best on the Forward test. A celebration will be sure to follow once all students are completed in testing.
Erin Hansford 6-12 Principal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All 11th grade students have completed the ACT exam. 9th and 10th grade students also completed the PreACT. State Forward Exams have begun in both the middle school and 10th grade. Teachers at all grade levels spent time reviewing individual scores, class average percentiles, as well as state averages. All grade levels are seeking growth from 80% of their class to earn a custom ice cream sundae bar at the end of the school year!• Congratulations to Logan and Kenna for earning a spot at the FBLA National competition in Anaheim, CA!• 13 high school students, in 5 groups, competed at the State Speech competition in Madison on Saturday, April 12th.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High School Solo & Ensemble is sending both Bells groups to the State competition on Saturday May 3rd in Eau Claire. Amelia will also be competing with a solo music theatre piece. • Prom will be held at Balsam Lake Lodge on April 26th. (<i>Grand March 7:00pm</i>) • Spring Music Concert is Monday, April 28th. (<i>MS 6:00pm - HS 7:30pm</i>)
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