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Hastings School District 2025 Legislative Priorities

To continue our ability to provide high quality learning environments that maximize every student's potential, the Hastings School District has established the following priorities for the 2025 legislative session:

Funding Priorities

- Fully fund or modify unemployment insurance, paid leave programs, and READ Act mandates;
- Increase the formula allowance by 3 percent over the current law for FY26 and FY27;
- Reduce the cross subsidies in the Special Education and English Learner programs;
- Establish a district-level hold harmless for compensatory funding; and
- Do not cut Special Education Transportation funding.

Non-Revenue Priorities

- Amend Minnesota Government Data Practices Act to require a person to identify themselves by full legal name and authorize school districts to assess and recover actual costs of searching and retrieving government data if the requesting individual abandons or fails to inspect the data once it has been prepared;
- Allow limited removal time from class within Non-Exclusionary Discipline to enable schools to plan effective reentry supports and interventions to ensure safe classrooms;
- Broaden the definition of hours of instruction to allow students to earn credit for learning wherever it occurs;
- Eliminate the state requirement of three-day notice for remote school board meeting access; and
- Honor local control at school board/district level.