

Superintendent Comments July 28, 2025

1. Honoring Dakota Project
Honoring Dakota Project representatives will be in attendance to explain some exciting opportunities to work with Red Wing Public Schools
2. Red Wing LTFM (roll call)
I recommend a motion to approve the 2027 Long Term Facilities Maintenance (LTFM) plan as presented. LTFM is a dedicated funding stream that is used for the maintenance and repair of district grounds and facilities. In the case of Red Wing, the funds generated are all in the form of levy, rather than aid. The LTFM allocation is \$380 per pupil unit. There are a couple of other factors that impact this amount, but it is pretty close. The LTFM plan must be approved on an annual basis, but once approved as long as we stay within the allowable uses, we can shift from one category to another. Any funds that are not used within a given year are then held in reserve and must be used for their intended purpose.
3. 2025 Legislative Session Updates (No vote)
There is a summary that we will review. On the federal level we got some good news over the weekend. The federal funds that were being withheld have now been released. The primary funds are in the Title programs. We would have lost about \$120,000 so this is good news.
4. First Reading of Policies 620 and 621. (Voice vote)
I recommend a motion to approve the first reading of:
 - Policy 620 Credit for Learning
 - Policy 621 Literacy and the Read Act
5. Approve 2025-26 Student Handbooks (voice vote)
I recommend a motion to approve the 2025-26 student handbooks. The handbooks underwent a significant revision last year. The changes this year reflect changes that were made during the legislative session.
6. AI Education Initiative Donation (roll call)
I recommend a motion to approve the AI education Initiative Donation from Dwight and Dian Dierks as presented. The donation is for approximately \$3.2 million dollars over a five year period.