

# BOARD REPORT

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Superintendent Dave Bernhardson

DATE: Monday, August 17, 2026



TOPIC/PURPOSE OF REPORT: 2027 Legislative Priorities Phase I

REFERENCE TO POLICY/STRATEGIC PLAN: Policy 101 Legal Status of School District

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION: Action Item

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## **REPORT**

At the August 10 Work Session, Board Member Liz Niemioja led a discussion regarding advocacy resolutions to propose to Minnesota School Boards Association's (MSBA) for the 2027 Legislative Session.

Participation by local school boards is an important part of developing a strong and representative legislative voice on behalf of Minnesota's public schools. The proposed resolutions reflect legislative priorities identified for consideration by the ISD 199 Board of Education.

If approved by the Board, the proposed advocacy resolutions will be submitted to MSBA as part of Phase I of the 2027 Legislative Priorities process. MSBA will consider submissions from school boards across the state as it develops its legislative priorities for the 2027 legislative session.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

The recommendation is for the Board of Education to approve the proposed advocacy resolutions for submission to the Minnesota School Boards Association as part of Phase I of the 2027 Legislative Priorities process.