

Superintendent Comments September 22, 2025

1. Update on Meeting with Tribal Council
Jim Bryant, Ryan Riester, and Supt. Bob Jaszczak met with Prairie Island Indian Community Tribal Council on Sept. 4, 2026. Both sides agree that progress is being made, but there is still work to be done. A formal request was made regarding the mascot. Other topics included artificial intelligence, student enrollment, student safety, tutoring and Dakota Language classes.
2. Final Reading of Policies 620 and 621 (voice)
I recommend a motion to approve Policies 620 and 621 as presented.
 - Policy 620 Credit for Learning
 - Policy 621 Literacy and the Read Act
3. First Reading of Policy 524.1 (voice)
I recommend a motion to approve the first reading of Policy 524.1. Policy 524.1 is a new policy that is a supplement to Policy 524 which is the Internet and Technology Acceptable Use Policy. The new policy incorporates items related to artificial intelligence use.
4. MSBA Legislative Resolution (voice)
There are two recommendations. The first is related to Policy 524.1. The second is related to state testing. I will have more information at the meeting.

Sample resolution: Be it resolved, MSBA urges the legislature to require the Minnesota Department of Education to replace MCA testing and utilize required academic screening systems including Fastbridge, DIBELS and Capti to report on measured growth of academic achievement.
5. Public Summary of Superintendent Evaluation (Voice)
I recommend a motion to approve the summary of the superintendent evaluation as presented. Board Chair Ryan Riester will provide a summary of the closed superintendent evaluation meeting
6. Superintendent Evaluation Criteria
The board will select the goal areas for the superintendent for the current school year. It is recommended that board members review the materials that were handed out in a red folder at a prior meeting. There will be additional copies available at the meeting if needed.

7. Strategic Plan
There is a bit of work that needs to be done. I am meeting with Jeremy and Ryan to try to resolve the issues prior to the meeting.
8. Levy Certification (roll call)
I will be providing some information on the levy certification system during the Finance Update. **I recommend a motion to set the 2025 Pay 2026 Preliminary Levy at "maximum".**
9. Closed Session - Jefferson Building
The board will go into closed session to discuss upcoming negotiations with the Red Wing Port Authority regarding the sale of the Jefferson property.