



MRVED Common Professional Development Proposal

Lakeview Public Schools #2167

Flexible Learning Year Application: 2025-2028




Agenda



1. Explanation of the Minnesota River Valley Educational District
2. Explanation of the Flexible Learning Year Proposal and Minnesota Department of Education Requirements
3. Look at Draft Calendars for 2025-26, 2026-27, and 2027-28
4. Q &A




Vision



Improve student
achievement by
increasing educator
effectiveness.



Purpose

1. Improve student learning
 2. Enhance educator quality.
 3. Maintain cost effective strategies for professional and program development.
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Flexible Learning Year History

Previous 9 Years in FLY have allowed district to create a school calendar that best meets the needs of our students.

Members of the Minnesota River Valley Education District (MRVED) have benefited from collaborative professional development experiences for 9 years. – Lakeview, Montevideo, YME, RCW, LQPV, Minneota, Ortonville, Benson, Dawson-Boyd, and Benson

Continuing Flexible Learning Year participation helps continue experiences that benefit our staff and students.




Flexible Learning Year GOALS



In each of the next
three years we will:



Goal 1



Create a school calendar that provides a schedule for learning that supports our students and their learning needs.




Goal 2

Collaboratively work with MRVED member schools to provide meaningful high quality professional development opportunities for all MRVED educators.



Goal 3



Increase student proficiency across the curriculum in the areas of reading and mathematics.


Baseline Data

MATH - MCA- III PROFICIENCY	Grade 3		Grade 4		Grade 5		Grade 6		Grade 7		Grade 8		Grade 11		All Grades		Rank
Spring 2024 Test Results	Not Proficient	Proficient	Not Proficient	Proficient	Not Proficient	Proficient	Not Proficient	Proficient	Not Proficient	Proficient	Not Proficient	Proficient	Not Proficient	Proficient	Not Proficient	Proficient	Out of 9
BENSON	42.2%	57.80%	54.8%	45.20%	60.0%	40.0%	69.0%	31.0%	67.4%	32.60%	68.3%	31.7%	73.3%	26.7%	62.0%	38.0%	6
DAWSON-BOYD #378	21.6%	78.40%	33.3%	66.7%	50.0%	50.0%	58.7%	41.3%	80.9%	19.1%	69.0%	31.0%	66.7%	33.3%	55.2%	44.8%	4
LAKEVIEW #2167	26.5%	73.50%	27.7%	72.30%	60.5%	39.50%	54.0%	46.00%	58.7%	41.3%	66.7%	33.3%	70.6%	29.4%	51.2%	48.8%	2
LQPV #2853	42.9%	57.10%	70.3%	29.70%	75.9%	24.10%	69.4%	30.60%	68.3%	31.7%	61.5%	38.5%	80.0%	20.0%	67.6%	32.4%	8
MINNEOTA #414	13.8%	86.20%	12.9%	87.10%	40.5%	59.50%	37.0%	63.00%	22.0%	78.0%	55.8%	44.2%	28.9%	71.1%	32.4%	67.6%	1
MONTEVIDEO #129	49.6%	50.40%	44.1%	55.90%	42.9%	57.10%	68.3%	31.70%	60.0%	40.0%	66.7%	33.3%	63.4%	36.6%	56.7%	43.3%	5
ORTONVILLE #2903	22.9%	77.10%	14.8%	85.20%	45.0%	55.00%	52.5%	47.50%	54.5%	45.5%	79.5%	20.5%	73.5%	26.5%	51.2%	48.8%	2
RCW #2890	75.0%	25.00%	44.4%	55.60%	68.4%	31.60%	79.3%	20.70%	68.6%	31.4%	82.4%	17.6%	48.5%	51.5%	64.6%	35.4%	7
YME #2190	54.3%	45.70%	45.5%	54.50%	52.9%	47.10%	81.4%	18.60%	95.0%	5.0%	88.9%	11.1%	88.1%	11.9%	74.0%	26.0%	9
STATE (MN)	41.4%	58.6%	43.5%	56.5%	56.0%	44.0%	60.0%	40.0%	60.0%	40.0%	59.2%	40.8%	65.3%	34.7%	54.5%	45.5%	
Lakeview Rank (out of 9)		4		3		7		3		3		3		5		2	

READING - MCA-III PROFICIENCY	Grade 3		Grade 4		Grade 5		Grade 6		Grade 7		Grade 8		Grade 10		All Grades		Rank
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Lakeview Rank (out of 9)		5		4		9		3		2		5		3		4	



Goal 4



Utilize school improvement frameworks (i.e. MTSS) to for program review with a focus on celebrating excellence and purposeful and intentional organizational improvement.



Impact of the FLY Program

- 32 administrators
- 557 teachers
- 269 paraprofessionals
- 6575 students

Nine MRVED member districts:

Benson, Dawson-Boyd, Lac qui Parle Valley, Lakeview, Minneota, Montevideo, Ortonville, Renville County West, and Yellow Medicine East.

Ivanhoe, paired with Minneota, is also a part of the proposal.



Commitments

Commitment to quality
student learning thru

Commitments to improved
program and teacher
practice.



Teacher Effectiveness

Dr. Bill Sanders and colleagues reported the following:

“... the results of this study well document that the most important factor affecting student learning is the teacher...The immediate and clear implication of this finding is that seemingly more can be done to improve education by improving the effectiveness of teachers than by any other single factor.”



Common Professional Development Experiences

- ❖ **Three common days** during each school year that focus on research-based, high impact instructional experiences, understandings and strategies.
- ❖ **One flexible day** during districts' workshop days.
- ❖ **One Paraprofessional Workshop** each fall focused on improved knowledge and practice.
- ❖ **Professional Meetings** for programmatic support and improvement.
 - a. six principal meetings
 - b. eleven superintendent meetings
 - c. four teacher advisory committee meetings
- ❖ **Facilitate curriculum review** and development opportunities for all districts.



Tentative Professional Learning Common Dates

2025 - 2026 School Year

- Paraprofessional Conference: August 13, 2025
- Fall PD Day - October 15, 2025
- MELT Conference: January 19, 2026
- Spring PD Day - Thursday, April 2 in 2026

2026-27 School Year


- Paraprofessional Conference: August 19, 2026
- Fall PD Day - October 21, 2026
- MELT Conference: January 18, 2027
- Spring PD Day -Thursday, March 25 in 2027

2027-28 School Year

- Paraprofessional Conference: August 18, 2027
- Fall PD Day - October 20, 2027
- MELT Conference: January 17, 2028
- Spring PD Day - Thursday, April 13 in 2028



Focus Areas for Professional Development



Social Emotional Learning (SEL)

Social and emotional learning (SEL) is an integral part of education and human development.


SEL is the process through which all young people and adults acquire and apply the knowledge, skills and attitudes to develop:

- *healthy identities,*
- *manage emotions and achieve personal and collective goals,*
- *feel and show empathy for others,*
- *establish and maintain supportive relationships, and*
- *make responsible and caring decisions.*




Curriculum Review and Instruction

Provide districts with training and support for:

- Alignment of curriculum to state academic standards.
 - New Standards for Math, Literacy and Science (2024-2028)
 - Pacing of curriculum.
 - Curriculum review and selection.
 - Examining data to guide instructional practices.
 - Best practices based on research-based, high impact instructional strategies.
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Literacy Development

- Minnesota READ Act
 - Program Requirements
 - Curriculum Review and Implementation
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Evaluation

The following indicators will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of our program:

- Reduction in the size of the academic achievement gap.
- Increased reading proficiency
- Student performance on the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments.
- High school graduation rates.
- Career and college readiness using the measures determined by the MDE.
- These indicators align with the World's Best Workforce Goals and Integration and Achievement Goals.



Staggered Start Dates

- Maximizes district schedule based on student needs.
- Allows more districts to access the MRVED staff for professional development and technical assistance:
 - At the beginning of the year.
 - New Teacher Training (Tier 1 and Tier 2)
 - Becoming more prevalent in Rural MN
 - Later Hires due to posting and hiring legislation
 - Lakeview has 7 teachers that are Tier 1 or Tier 2 – Two years ago this number was 0!
 - At quarter and semester breaks.
- This is a more efficient and effective way of meeting district needs during times when there is a higher demand for MRVED professional staff services.



Funding

All districts will commit additional funding to allow for shared high quality presenters.

\$5/student will generate \$33,320.

This equates to \$3,560 for the Lakeview public school district.



Start Dates Meet Local District Needs

Year 1 – 2025-2026

- Regular Start: September 2, 2025
(Yellow Medicine East)
- One Week Early Start: August 25, 2025
(Benson, Dawson-Boyd, Lac qui Parle Valley,
Ortonville, and Montevideo)
- Two Week Early Start: August 18, 2025
(Ivanhoe, Lakeview (20), Minneota, and Renville
County West)

LAKEVIEW SCHOOL Calendar

2025-26 School Year – Flexible Learning Year (Year 1)

1 st Quarter (39 days)							2 nd Quarter (45 days)							3 rd Quarter (43 days)							4 th Quarter (46 days)										
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	S	M	T	W	Th	F	S				
Aug	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	Jan	28	29	30	31	1	2	3	8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	26	27	28	29	30	31	1		4	5	6	7	8	9	10		15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	Nov	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		11	12	13	14	15	16	17		22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Sept	31	1	2	3	4	5	6		9	10	11	12	13	14	15		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Apr	29	30	31	1	2	3	4
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		16	17	18	19	20	21	22		25	26	27	28	29	30	31		5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		23	24	25	26	27	28	29	Feb	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	Dec	30	1	2	3	4	5	6		8	9	10	11	12	13	14		19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Oct	28	29	30	1	2	3	4		7	8	9	10	11	12	13		15	16	17	18	19	20	21	May	26	27	28	29	30	1	2
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		14	15	16	17	18	19	20		22	23	24	25	26	27	28		3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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Aug 12,13,19 Teacher In-service (13th Open House)
 Aug 20 1st Day of School for Students
 Sept 1 Labor Day - No School
 Sept 19 Mid-Term of 1st Quarter
 Oct 15 MRVED Consortium - No School
 Oct 16-17 Education Minnesota Conference - No School
 Oct 17 End of 1st Quarter
 Oct 20 1st day of 2nd Quarter
 Nov 6 K-12 Parent Teacher Conferences (4-8 p.m.)
 Nov 13 K-12 Parent Teacher Conferences (4-8 p.m.)
 Nov 21 Mid-Term of 2nd Quarter
 Nov 26 1:00 p.m. Dismissal - Thanksgiving
 Nov 27-28 Thanksgiving Vacation
 Dec 23 1:00 p.m. Dismissal -End of 2nd Quarter
 Dec 24-Jan 4 Winter Vacation (Teachers - In-Service on Jan. 2)

Jan 5 1st day of 3rd Quarter (2nd Semester)
 Jan 19 MRVED Consortium-No School
 Feb 6 Mid-Term of 3rd Quarter
 Feb 16 President's Day - No School
 Mar 6 End of 3rd Quarter
 Mar 9 Teacher In-service - No School
 Apr 2 MRVED Consortium-No School
 Apr 3-6 Spring Break - No School
 Apr 9 Solo Ensemble Contest (12:30 p.m. Dismissal)
 Apr 17 Mid-Term of 4th Quarter
 May 15 Last Day for Students (1:00 p.m. Dismissal)
 May 15 Graduation 5:00 p.m.
 May 18 Teacher In-service

Snow/Emergency Make-up Days
Distance Learning Days will be used to make up missed school days due to weather cancellations or other circumstances. They will begin at 10:15 a.m. on the day of cancellation.

173 Student Contact Days
 10 Staff In-service/Conf. Days
 183 Total Days

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Start Dates Meet Local District Needs

Year 2 – 2026-2027

- Regular Start: September 8, 2026
(Yellow Medicine East)
- One Week Early Start: August 31, 2026
(Benson, Dawson-Boyd, Lac qui Parle Valley
Ortonville, and Montevideo)
- Two Week Early Start: August 24, 2026
 - (Ivanhoe, Lakeview (26), Minneota, and Renville
County West)

LAKEVIEW SCHOOL Calendar

2026-27 School Year – Flexible Learning Year (Year 2)

1 st Quarter (39 days)								2 nd Quarter (41 days)								3 rd Quarter (47 days)								4 th Quarter (46 days)							
	S	M	T	W	Th	F	S		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S		S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
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	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	Nov	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		10	11	12	13	14	15	16		21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Sept	30	31	1	2	3	4	5		8	9	10	11	12	13	14		17	18	19	20	21	22	23		28	29	30	31	1	2	3
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		15	16	17	18	19	20	21		24	25	26	27	28	29	30	Apr	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19		22	23	24	25	26	27	28	Feb	31	1	2	3	4	5	6		11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	Dec	29	30	1	2	3	4	5		7	8	9	10	11	12	13		18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Oct	27	28	29	30	1	2	3		6	7	8	9	10	11	12		14	15	16	17	18	19	20		25	26	27	28	29	30	1
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Aug 18,19,25 Teacher In-service (19th Open House)
 Aug 26 1st Day of School for Students
 Sept 7 Labor Day - No School
 Sept 25 Mid-Term of 1st Quarter
 Oct 14 MRVED Consortium - No School
 Oct 15-16 Education Minnesota Conference - No School
 Oct 23 End of 1st Quarter
 Oct 26 1st day of 2nd Quarter
 Nov 5 K-12 Parent Teacher Conferences (4-8 p.m.)
 Nov 12 K-12 Parent Teacher Conferences (4-8 p.m.)
 Nov 20 Mid-Term of 2nd Quarter
 Nov 25 1:00 p.m. Dismissal - Thanksgiving
 Nov 26-27 Thanksgiving Vacation
 Dec 23 1:00 p.m. Dismissal -End of 2nd Quarter
 Dec 24-Jan 4 Winter Vacation (Teachers - In-Service on Jan. 4)

Jan 5 1st day of 3rd Quarter (2nd Semester)
 Jan 18 MRVED Consortium-No School
 Feb 5 Mid-Term of 3rd Quarter
 Feb 15 President's Day - No School
 Mar 12 End of 3rd Quarter
 Mar 15 Teacher In-service - No School
 Mar 25 MRVED Consortium-No School
 Mar 26-29 Spring Break - No School
 Apr 8 Solo Ensemble Contest (12:30 p.m. Dismissal)
 Apr 23 Mid-Term of 4th Quarter
 May 21 Last Day for Students (1:00 p.m. Dismissal)
 May 21 Graduation 5:00 p.m.
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 Feb 21 President's Day - No School
 Mar 10 No School - End of 3rd Quarter
 Mar 13 Teacher In-service - No School
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 Apr 14-17 Spring Break - No School
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What are we agreeing to do?

- Adopt the common calendar days for professional development as outlined in this presentation.
- Participate in the professional development opportunities outlined in this presentation.
- If starting early, hold three public meetings as required by law.
- Pay \$5/student for additional professional development opportunities.



Timeline

- Lakeview Public Meetings held November 7, November 12, and November 14.
- December 16 2024: Final board Approval of FLY proposal
- December 17 2024: Send to MDE for Approval
- February 2025: Expected response due from MDE



Closing Points and Perspectives

We look to maintain our Flexing Learning Year status in order improve student achievement by:

- increasing educator effectiveness
- creating a meaningful school calendar