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LAKEVIEW JR HIGH SCHOOL

PRAIRIEVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

ELIZABETH IDE SCHOOL

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May 2026 Board Report

Transportation

In the busing world, we find ourselves in the middle of the busiest field trip time of the year. Between the last week of April through the last day of school in early June, we will have 57 buses performing field trips for grade level trips as well as Lakeview Sports & band. This of course would not be possible without the dedication of our great bus drivers, and their willingness to take on extra duty to allow all these great trips, events and games to happen.

Behind the scenes, work begins with the routing software to begin setting parameters and updated user fields for routing the 26-27 school year. In addition, Dr. Rhoads and I will work to cover our targeted summer school to be held at IDE as well as any outplaced special needs students.

You will see a letter with intent to retire from bus driver, Mr. Robert "Bob" Stocker tonight. Bob has been a staple of our program for 11 years and has been an absolute pleasure to work with and to have on our team. Bob has driven many different routes and most recently has been driving our youngest Preschool students as well as outplaced special needs students. I am very grateful for Mr. Bob as he has actually tried to retire a couple previous times and due to our frequent driver shortages, he has agreed to continue to come in to help out. We will miss Bob dearly, please join me in thanking Mr. Robert Stocker for his service when you see him around!

Buildings & Grounds

The late spring is always one of the busiest times of year in terms of building usage outside of the normal learning day. We have had the "Panther Preview", "Spartan Showcase" & the upcoming "IDE Night with the Pride" open house nights at each school as well as working our way through grade level concerts and end of year band and choir events. These events provide an opportunity to showcase the beauty of our buildings, both inside and out, and I thank all of our custodial, maintenance, and ground staff, for going the extra mile to prepare and breakdown for these big events.

Behind the scenes, plans and schedules for the summer of 2026 building work continue to fall into place as well as longer term mapping for the next 18-24 months with The Goal 3 subcommittee, Admin team and WOLD. A reminder of work to take place this summer includes, Roofing retrofit at LV sections 1-3, Gym 1 improvements continuing with flooring and final aesthetics and paving and reconstruction of the Lakeview parking lot and back of PV loading dock area/playground blacktop. On top of these bigger projects, there will also be many other smaller maintenance and improvement projects throughout the district as we prepare for the 26-27 school year.