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Superintendent Board Report
September 10, 2025

2025-2026 SUPERINTENDENT PRIORITIES/GOALS

- Seek Supplemental Revenue Sources to Support District Operations and Programs for the 25-26 School Year

No updates at this time.

- Support School Board in Process for Selecting New Superintendent [2026-2027 School Year]

The process is underway and ongoing. A district profile survey request was sent to me on August 29, 2025 from AASB and was completed and returned on that day.

- Complete Long-Term Multi-Year Projects (ex: curriculum website; updates to job descriptions [staff, coaches, advisors]; de-escalation training for staff; credit-by-exam framework; bloodborne pathogen exposure control plan/policy; new van(s) purchase; etc.).

District Administration is in the process of soliciting quotes for a new van. The general cost will likely be in the \$70-\$75k range and can be covered with adequate funds in the Vehicle Replacement Fund.

BOARD DIRECTIVES/PRIOR MEETING FOLLOW-UPS

1. Develop draft board resolutions regarding:
 - a. Increase to the 10% Fund Balance limitation
 - b. Lowering the compulsory school age requirement

Task complete. Draft resolutions included in the Board Packet for consideration.

HUMAN RESOURCES

- No current vacancies.
- 2025-2026 Extra-Curricular Positions

| Position | Advisor/Coach |
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| Basketball, Boys Junior High | Josh Pearson |
| Basketball, Boys JV | Ben Johnson |
| Basketball, Boys Varsity | Jake Borst |
| Basketball, Girls Junior High | Justin Ryan |
| Basketball, Girls JV | Emaleah Babic |
| Basketball, Girls Varsity | Brooks Fry |
| Battle of the Books, Elementary 3-4 | Kayti Ammerman |
| Battle of the Books, Elementary 5-6 | Allison Miller |
| Battle of the Books, Junior High | Rob Ammerman |
| Cheerleading, High School (Basketball) | Arissa Pearson |
| Cheerleading, Junior High (Basketball) | Krysta Williams |
| Class Advisor, 7 th Grade | Arissa Pearson Mark Insteness |

| Position | Advisor/Coach |
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| Choir Accompanist | Anita Smyke |
| Close-Up Advisor | Emily Moody Alyssa Kleissler |
| Concert Director | Ruth Fastenau |
| Concessions Advisor | Paoola Vargas |
| Cross Country, Varsity | Katie Fry |
| Cross Country, JV | Lance Westing |
| National Honor Society | Debra Adams |
| Pep Band Advisor | Ruth Fastenau |
| Robotics, High School | Jeremiah Beckett |
| Robotics, Junior High | Amber Phillips |
| Robotics, Elementary | TBD |
| Student Council | Sara Hottinger |

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| Class Advisor, 8 th Grade | Rob Ammerman Sara Hottinger |
| Class Advisor, 9 th Grade | Tommy Dahill Lance Westing |
| Class Advisor, 10 th Grade | Paola Vargas Josh Pearson |
| Class Advisor, 11 th Grade | Emily Moody Krysta Williams |
| Class Advisor, 12 th Grade | Debra Adams Brooks Fry |

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| Student Council, Elementary | Skye Steritz |
| Swimming, Varsity | Laura Hanson |
| Swimming, JV | Chatham Warga |
| Volleyball, Junior High | Nettie Wright |
| Volleyball, JV | Nettie Wright |
| Volleyball, Varsity | Ann Linville |
| Wrestling, Junior High | Bailey Higgins |
| Wrestling, Varsity | Seth Balint |
| Yearbook | Ariana Pearson |

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

- August Community Engagements
 - ✓ City of Cordova Bidarki Programming Support
 - ✓ CSD Board Meetings/Work Sessions
 - ✓ CSD Policy Committee Meeting
 - ✓ CSD Summer Food Service Monitoring

POLICY REVIEW

- The Policy Committee met on August 26, 2025 to review Chapter 7000. There were no recommendations for revisions made to the policies, which are included in the Board Packet for cyclical review in the Consent Agenda. At its next tentatively scheduled meeting in September, the Committee will begin review of a new section of AASB model policies: Section 10000 Charter Schools.

OTHER

- Tentative Temporary Closure of Copper River Highway 2026-2027

Per DOT, the Copper River Highway between Whitshed Road and Chase Avenue is scheduled to be closed to complete deep excavation and utility relocation for the Copper River Highway Odiak Slough Culvert Replacement project. The anticipated road closure will last approximately 45 days, sometime between September 30, 2026, and April 15, 2027. Specific dates and additional details will be forthcoming once the project is advertised and a contractor is selected.

A detour route around the project area has been considered via Chase Avenue and LeFevre Street. DOT reached out to the District recently to get comments about how this could affect school transportation.

