



LEWISTON-ALTURA PUBLIC SCHOOLS ISD 857
SCHOOL BOARD REPORT
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Purpose: To provide monthly updates to the School Board regarding progress on facility construction and improvement projects.

Key updates from this month include:

HIGH SCHOOL & ELEMENTARY DESIGN

Design work for the major facility improvements planned for Summer 2026 remains complete, with pre-construction activities actively underway.

- **Submittals and RFIs** – The team continues to review and process a high volume of equipment and material submittals with Requests for Information (RFIs) to maintain project coordination and schedule.
- **Finish Selections** – Physical color and finish samples are being reviewed with District Administration to confirm final selections and ensure alignment with previously established design direction. Most finishes were previously selected with the Architect; however, physical samples are being reviewed for comparison with adjacent materials and final confirmation.
- **State Review** – The project team is actively working through plan review comments from the State of Minnesota Department of Labor. Responses and required revisions are in progress, with resubmission anticipated by mid-April. Any associated cost impacts are to be determined pending final direction and contractor pricing.
- **Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment (FFE)** – A meeting was held on March 30 with District Administration and Demco to review final FFE layouts and associated pricing. The team is advancing toward final procurement decisions.
- **Playground Design** – The preliminary layout for the Elementary School playground has been completed. The final 3D layout was received on April 2 and is currently under review by District Administration.
- **Construction Start** – Contractor mobilization remains on schedule for May 26. Initial construction activities will include demolition and asbestos abatement.
- **Budget Status** – The project remains on budget. Continued review of submittals and procurement tracking will help maintain cost control as we move closer to construction.

NEXT STEPS

- Continue review and approval of equipment and material submittals, with emphasis on major systems and long lead-time items.
- Process and respond to RFIs to maintain schedule and coordination.
- Complete State of Minnesota plan review response and resubmit by mid-April.
- Advance FFE procurement based on finalized layouts and pricing.
- Finalize playground design and obtain District approval.
- Continue coordination with contractors in preparation for mobilization and start of construction in late May.