

Purpose: Project Status Updates

1. We have completed two E-rate bid processes to purchase new hardware for the new Middle School and to refresh the hardware in the rest of the district. This will put the district in good shape next year as we utilize the latest network technology on our new dark fiber network.
2. Galaxy Next Generation who installed our Bell/PA system and panic buttons at the High School is confirming their estimates for implementing this system in the rest of the district. Once we finalize the details on that project we plan to get started with implementation by this summer.
3. Astound is still on track for building our dark fiber network. They are currently waiting on final permits from the city and county to get started.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Chris Shaw, Technology Director, and Lauree Nelzen, Exec Assistant



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Middle School After School Program

The Middle school After School Programs are funded by the Student Investment Account. These opportunities are at no cost to students and transportation is also provided free of charge. This trimester's offerings include: Tabletop Games, Jewel Art, Cheerleading, Unified Basketball, and Crochet.

High Dosage Tutoring K-5

The Elementary High Dosage Tutoring Program Session began in late October and continues at all four elementaries. High dosage tutoring serves our rising readers who need additional literacy support. Students are tutored one-on-one or in groups of three or less by a trained tutor twice a week for ten weeks. We have 15 enthusiastic tutors ready to serve our K-5 students.

Social Studies Curriculum Adoption Committee

This year marks the adoption cycle for the K-12 Social Studies curriculum, with new resources implemented for the 2026-27 school year. A dedicated team of eleven teachers and two administrators has begun the process, meeting twice to evaluate a large pool of curriculum options and distill the choices based on key criteria. Our focus now shifts to a deeper analysis and a mini-pilot program, which will gather hands-on feedback from educators and students. The elementary team is looking at piloting lessons from a few publishers in January and February. The middle and high school are looking at a few options as well including adding digital/textbook resources for Personal Finance. The team will solicit community input this spring to ensure the final selection meets district needs. The committee will present the final recommendation to the board for approval in May.

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Agenda Item

District Strategic Priorities

Students: MRSD will foster a safe, welcoming learning environment where all students are supported in reaching their goals for academic and future success, through individualized learning experiences.

Celebrations

Happy New Year!

Special Education Compliance/ Complaints/ Due Process:

ODE Special Education Monitoring - Spring 2026

Program Improvement:

- Ongoing collaboration to implement Practical Functional Assessment & Skill-Based Treatment with our partner Columbia Regional Inclusive Services
- Ongoing mentorship for new staff through a CESD Mentorship Program
- Ongoing work to strengthen Student Success Teams in each building

Family and Community Outreach:

We continue to support students and families in several ways:

- School counselors
- Nursing staff
- McKenny Vento Homeless Liaison
- Youth Transition Program

Outplacements:

LEEP: Life Enrichment Education Program is for students with significant cognitive and multiple disabilities, located in classrooms throughout the county. Cost: part of our menu of services from ESD paid for out of flow-through dollars as one of our menu of services provided.

Heron Creek Internalizing: Located at the Marylhurst Campus in Lake Oswego, this is a therapeutic environment for students who have significant emotional problems and need a smaller setting and focused instruction on building self-regulation skills in order to come back to the district.

Heron Creek Externalizing: Located at the Marylhurst Campus in Lake Oswego, this setting is for students with externalizing behavioral disturbances that impact their access to learning. This is a highly structured setting and focused on self-regulation and behavioral supports.

Creston Elementary: an elementary school in PPS that has a unique program with Columbia Regional Programs that work to support the unique needs of students experiencing deaf/ hard of hearing. The program is heavily focused on language development and there is a teacher of the deaf full-time on staff as well as an ELL teacher to support second language development.

LEEP	Serendipity	Heron Creek	Creston
9	2	5	0

Staff: MRSD is committed to developing and supporting all staff members, as well as retaining diverse professionals who are focused on positive student outcomes.

Nursing:

Amanda Bickford continues to provide CPR Training to staff

SPED Staffing:

We continue to be fully staffed.

Respectfully Submitted by [Robin Shobe](#), Ed.D.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT REPORT

January 2026 Board Meeting

Community Newsletter went out on December 17, 2025.

Highlighted the Holden Gift, holiday dinner, winter break dates, inclement weather notification process.

The next edition will feature:

- Launch of 100 Strong Campaign for Burghardt Sports Complex
- Notices re: disabled student tax deduction
- Article about school programs
- Updates
- Reminders about Rooms/District App/Weather related closures/Calendar Items

Bond Program

- Scheduled to present at Oregon School Boards Association Bonds and ballots on February
- Working on flier for upcoming neighborhood outreach event.
- Updating the Bond Webpage.

Branding Work

- New employee ID badge design was rolled out this fall.
- Step and repeat background and table coverings available for events.
- Swag is available (pins and lanyards)
- Updated event name tags.

In process:

- Business card design and printing

Up Next

- Develop updated logo for Molalla River Middle School

Partnerships/Outreach

- Developing partnership with Molalla Aquatic Center

Burghardt Sports Complex Project

- Mass Campaign Committee and collateral
- Submitted Grant to

Projected Newsletter Publication Dates

Text/email and calls as needed in between larger editions.

Community

January 12, 2026
January 26
February 23
March 30
April 27
May 18
June 8

Staff

January 9
February 9
March 9
April 13
May 11
June 1

FACILITIES PRIORITY REPORT

December 2025

Planned Maintenance		Planned Capital Projects		Planned Summer Inspections	
✓	Replace water heater (MES)		Replace ASU 3 (MES)	✓	District Wide Fire Alarm Inspections
✓	Clean lift stations (MES/MHS)	✓	LED Light Upgrade (Clarkes)	✓	Fire Door Drop Test
✓	Tear down, clean and wash boilers 1 & 2 (MRMS)	✓	Replace furnace in room 1 (Rural Dell)	✓	District Wide Backflow Inspections
✓	Recoat gym floor (MHS)		Replace ASU 6 (MES)	✓	Elevator Inspection (MHS)
✓	Replace faucets and drinking fountains (MES)	✓	Re-Roof Section C (MHS)		
	Replace backflow (Heckard Field)				

Vocab

VSD = Variable Speed Drive

AHU = Air Handler Unit

RTU = Roof Top Unit

High School

- Repaired plumbing leak in hallway near gym
- Capped leaking hose bib
- Repaired various roof leaks around the building
- Added gravel and graded baseball parking lot
- Cleaned catch basins in parking lots
- Reset 5 RTU units & VFD's after power surges

Middle School

- Replaced broken belt on air handler -room 17
- Patched numerous roof leaks above 8th grade wing
- Blew down boilers 1 & 2
- Unclogged drinking fountain drain in hallway
- Replaced leaking shut off valve on urinal (6th grade wing)
- Replaced flushometer on staff toilet

MES

- Replaced 2 gas valves on boiler (cafeteria)
- Cleaned storm drains
- Sandbagged back doors due to flooding
- Cleaned gutters
- Removed and installed new coil for ASU 4
- Removed ice from walk in cooler coil

Clarkes Elementary

- Reset boiler from power outage
- Repaired water leak on boiler
- Regraded and painted parking stripes in parking lot

Mulino

- Replaced faulty module on Climatech system - room 8
- Patched hole in roof above room 7
- Installed new gate in 4ft fence
- Replaced batteries in security system (south building)

Rural Dell

- Repaired plumbing leak in well house
- Cleaned gutters and down spouts
- Caulked leaking window in library

Purpose: Project Status Updates

1. Design and permitting:
 - Design is 95% complete. Remaining design – right-of-way and civil design submitted to the City of Molalla.
 - MRDS has building permit
2. Construction:
 - Gym foundation ready for concrete this week.
 - Heavy rain has had a small impact on schedule and soil conditions, but the project is still on schedule and on budget.
3. Schedule: On schedule
4. Budget: On budget

Respectfully Submitted by

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