

District Status Report

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2019-2020 Report #37

The purpose for the weekly Status Report is to communicate to members of the School Board important and meaningful information relevant to the business of the school district. The Report is available to the public on the school district's website. Please contact me at 417-2602 if you have any questions regarding information contained in the Status Report. I would also appreciate hearing from you on ways I can improve the Report and make it more meaningful and informative for you.

Dale

Our Mission

**Empowering students with
knowledge and skills to succeed.**

Our Vision

**To be the school district of choice, inspiring
excellence in academics, arts, and activities.**

Information – Communication – Correspondence

1. News From Around the State and Beyond

[Ease pandemic anxiety with meditation, self-care](#)

[New FFCRA Regulations Require Documentation of Paid Sick, Family Leave](#)

[HR Q&A: How Does the Families First Coronavirus Response Act \(H.R. 6201\) Impact Employers?](#)

[Band directors create virtual concert for students](#)

[Is it legal to read a book to students online?](#)

2. Board Budget Work Session Continued– I will work with Rick Schultz to identify possible dates and times to continue the revenue discussion. Stay tuned!

3. Activities and Coaches Update – I participated in a meeting earlier this week with our spring coaches. I shared with them the District would honor their coaching contracts contingent upon each coach completing assigned tasks and expectations beginning with having 1:1 communication with each student-athlete at least one time per week. The individual contact would focus on academics and providing the student support with his/her distance learning plan. In addition, coaches are generating a list of activities, tasks, assignments to be done during the spring season while students remain at home.

4. Supporting our Students – From Dan Stork . . . The Gopher Conference schools along with multiple other schools are participating in a campaign to honor our students. Schools will be turning on their athletic field lights for a period of time on Monday nights to show our support of our students and that we are thinking of them. It is our plan to turn on the lights at our football field, baseball field and softball field at 8 pm on Mondays.

5. Construction Update – The Knutson Construction operations trailer for the Secondary School was dropped off in the west parking lot on April 2. Fencing will begin to go up around the west parking lot of the Secondary School next week and eventually will block off any use to the west lot. Two pre-construction meetings were held this week. We continue to work on furniture selection. There will be some work beginning in the next two weeks both inside and outside the school buildings. If we learn that students will not be returning to the school buildings, we will likely begin to target areas that we could begin work.

6. Childcare, Meals, and Internet Access Update – School Districts are asked to submit data each day regarding the number of children served in our childcare, the number of meals served, and the number of students who do not have internet access. This past week, we served between 460 and 500 meals each day (includes both breakfast and lunch). We cared for anywhere from 6 to 17 students in our childcare between both school buildings. We currently have about 42 students reporting issues with internet accessibility.

7. Bridges/Kindergarten Registration – Please see below a letter from Principal Anderson to parents regarding registration.

March 27, 2020

Dear Prospective Bridges and Kindergarten Families,

Greetings! Due to the recent school closure, it was necessary for us to postpone our anticipated Bridges and Kindergarten Orientation scheduled for Monday, March 23. We are certain that school will remain closed at least until May 5. Because of this, we have decided that, for this year, we are going to revise our Orientation Process for incoming Bridges and Kindergarten Students.

Due to the possible uncertainty of when school will still open we are asking families to please return the registration form. At some point, before school begins in the fall, we will need a copy of a court obtained birth certificate if one was not provided at the preschool screening. Included with this letter to families is a

self-addressed, stamped envelope that can be used to mail the registration form back to us. We are asking that all families return the registration form to our school by Wednesday, April 8, 2020.

We are disappointed that we will not get to meet directly with you and your child. However, we are excited at the idea of looking ahead to our Bridges/Kindergarten classes for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year. Should you have any questions or need any help, please contact the elementary school office at 507.684.3181. The elementary office is staffed from 7:30-4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. We look forward to hearing from you. Please stay safe and healthy!

- 8. New Secondary School High School Gymnasium Sound System** – A new sound system is being installed this week!

School Board Calendar of Events

April 20, 2020 6:30 pm School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center/Remote

May 18, 2020 6:30 pm School Board Meeting – Elementary School Media Center/Remote (Tentative)

Dale's Calendar for April 6 - 10 (As of 4-3-20)

Monday		Classes Resume! Distance-Learning Plan Implemented
	10:30 am	Check in with Doug
	1:30 pm	Check in with Dave
	2:00 pm	Check in with Karla
	2:30 pm	Check in with Sue
Tuesday	8:00 am	Meeting with Dave and Dan regarding Weight/Fitness Room
	9:00 am	Administrative Team 2020-2021 Staffing Meeting
	10:30 am	2020-2021 Budget Planning with Karla
	1:30 pm	Science Furniture Planning Meeting
	3:00 pm	Waseca County Call-in
	4:30 pm	MDE Call-in
Wednesday	7:30 am	Monthly Check in with Teacher President
	9:00 am	HWY 30 Preconstruction Meeting
	10:30 am	Weekly COVID-19 School Nurse Meeting
	1:00 pm	Remote Board meeting planning with Angie
Thursday	8:00 am	Board Meeting Agenda Planning with Board Chair
	4:30 pm	MDE Call-in
Friday		Buildings Closed

Thank you for all you do!