

District Status Report

19 March

2020-2021 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

Poll: Pandemic has harmed mental health of nearly half of U.S. teens
Studies: Students learn from "high-dosage" tutoring
Report: Evidence backs in-person learning
Kindergarten enrollment down nationwide
Here are 5 words school staff used to describe fall 2020
Minn. bill would change teacher-licensing system

2. Secondary School Electronic Sign Replacement – Recently, I have forwarded two communications regarding potential grants/donations for the Secondary School sign replacement. I completed a grant request to the Waseca/New Richland Area Foundation and also sent a letter to the Freeborn County Oil Coop. In both requests, I included:

NRHEG Public Schools is in need of replacing the Secondary School electronic sign that no longer works due to the age. The software needed to run the sign is no longer able to be updated and the availability of parts are limited in order to perform any upgrades to our current sign. The cost to replace the sign is estimated to be in the range of \$35,000 to \$40,000.

Communication and marketing is one of six priority focus areas for the school district. The electronic messaging board is one tool the school district utilizes in engaging the community by communicating the important events happening in the school district. In order to be more efficient in our communication with the community, a larger display and easier access to control our sign is needed.

3. Elementary Principal Search Update – I had the opportunity to meet with more than 40 Elementary staff members on Wednesday of this week and then with parents on Thursday as they shared characteristics, attributes and traits they believe are important for the next principal to lead the Elementary School. The posting is open through March 31. I have been tentatively planning for interviews to take place the week of April 12, but might consider Wednesday, April 7, if ready.

School Board Calendar of Events

April 19, 2021	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting—Secondary School Media Center/Remote
May 17, 2021	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center/Remote
June 4, 2021		Last Day for Students – 2-hour early dismissal
	2:30 pm	Staff Recognition Program
June 21, 2021	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center/Remote

Dale's Calendar for March 22 - 26 (As of 3-19-2021)

Monday	9:30 am	2021-2022 Elementary Staffing Meeting with Doug
	10:30 am	Check in with Doug
	11:00 am	Check in with Donna
	1:30 pm	Check in with Dave
	2:00 pm	Check in with Karla

2:30 pm Check in with Sue
3:00 pm Steele County Public Health Weekly Call
4:00 pm Phone Interview
5:30 pm Phone Interview

Tuesday 7:30 am Negotiations Prep with Deb
8:30 am Administrative Team Meeting with Heather and Linda
9:00 am Budget Development with Karla
3:30 pm Waseca County COVID Partner Call

Wednesday 7:30 am Waseca County Weekly School Call with Public Health
1:00 pm Principal Evaluation Conference

Thursday 9:00 am Check in with Donna
1:00 pm 2021-2022 Staff Meeting with Doug and Dave
4:00 pm MDE Weekly Call

Friday In the District

Thank you for all you do!