

# *District Status Report*

*07 May*

*2020-2021 Report #44*

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

[Study: 4-day school week lowers test scores](#)

[Can competency-based learning close gaps?](#)

2. **Paraprofessional Negotiations** – The Paraprofessional Association has made a request to begin negotiations for 2021-2023. No date for the first meeting has been identified but there might be interest in mid-May. Board team members include: Rick Schultz, Travis Routh, Loren Schoenrock, Karla Christopherson and Dale Carlson.
3. **Teacher Negotiations** – The next meeting is planned for Wednesday, May 12, beginning at 7:00 pm. Board team members include: Dan Schmidt, Travis Routh, Rich Mueller, Karla Christopherson and Dale Carlson
4. **Graduation 2021** – Graduation 2021 plans are being discussed and developed. Mr. Bunn and Senior Class Advisor, Mrs. Bently, are reviewing the Minnesota Department of Health’s Indoor and Outdoor Venue Guidance to ensure all plans adhere to the guidance. At this time, consideration is being given to hold an in-person graduation ceremony for our 2021 graduates with limited seating for guests on Sunday, June 6, in the High School gymnasium. Travis Routh and Loren Schoenrock will be representing the School Board at the ceremony.
5. **Employee Recognition June 4** – Please make plans to be part of hosting the employee recognition scheduled for Friday, June 4, beginning at 2:00 pm. More will be shared as plans are developed.
6. **Interquest Canine Contract** – As part of the Consent Agenda on the May 17 Board meeting agenda, the Board will be asked to renew the Interquest Canine Contract for next school year. Related to this recommendation, I wanted to report the dog and handler made an unannounced visit at the Secondary School this week. There were no incidents.
7. **COVID-19 Secondary School Hallway Monitor** – To assist staff and students for the remainder of the school year, I supported the addition of a part-time “substitute” to assist with the monitoring of the continued implementation of our COVID-19 mitigation methods and strategies throughout the Secondary School. The substitute position is an extension of a part-time paraprofessional substitute assignment.
8. **MDH and MDE Guidance Updates and Announcements** – Below are COVID-19 updates from MDE and/or MDH as of May 5, 2021.

### COVID-19 Vaccine Updates

#### Still need a COVID-19 vaccine?

Every Minnesotan age 16 and older is eligible to get a COVID-19 vaccine. Visit the [Minnesota COVID-19 Vaccine Connector](#) to sign up for an appointment at one of nine state vaccination sites across Minnesota: St. Paul, Bloomington, Oakdale, Mankato, Duluth, Rochester, Lino Lakes, St. Cloud, and the State Fairgrounds. Appointments are available!

You can also contact your health care provider, local pharmacy, or local public health department. Check out [Find Vaccine Locations](#) for local vaccine providers in your area.

#### Vaccine data

More than 2 million Minnesotans have completed their COVID-19 vaccination series. Visit [COVID-19 Vaccine Data](#) to view the dashboard for vaccine distribution and administration data for Minnesota.

### **Recommendations for fully vaccinated people**

If you are fully vaccinated for COVID-19 (it has been at least two weeks since the final dose of vaccine), you can follow the updated masking, quarantine, and gathering recommendations on [About COVID-19 Vaccine: For fully vaccinated people](#).

## **School Board Calendar of Events**

May 12, 2021	7:00 pm	Teacher Negotiations – Secondary School Media Center
May 17, 2021	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center/Remote
June 2, 2021	7:00 pm	Teacher Negotiations – Secondary School Media Center
June 4, 2021	2:00 pm	Last Day for Students – 2-hour early dismissal Staff Recognition Program
June 6, 2021 (Tentative)	TBD	Graduation
June 21, 2021	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center/Remote

## **Dale's Calendar for May 10 - 14 (As of 5-7-2021)**

Monday	10:00 am	Check in with Donna
	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
	3:00 pm	Weekly Steele County Public Health Call
Tuesday	8:30 am	SWMetro South Leadership Team Meeting
	9:00 am	Check in with Macy
Wednesday	7:30 am	Monthly Check in with Teacher Association President
	3:00 pm	Meeting with JF
	7:00 pm	Teacher Association Negotiations Meeting #3
Thursday	7:30 am	Waseca County Public Health School District Call
	9:00 am	Check in with Donna
	4:00 pm	MDE Weekly Call
Friday		In the District

Thank you for all you do!