

# *District Status Report*

*31 March 2017*

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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.

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## 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

**Politics:** [Gov. Dayton pushes Republicans unwilling to expand pre-K program](#)

**Data:** [Index of Minnesota teacher supply](#)

**Politics:** [Omnibus education finance bill approved during contentious hearing](#)

**DeVos continues advocacy for school choice**

**When "thank you" isn't enough**

2. **Paraprofessional Negotiations** – The first negotiations meeting is rescheduled for Monday, April 10, beginning at 5:30 pm in the Secondary School Board Room.
3. **Teacher Negotiations** – The first negotiations meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 4, beginning at 5:30 pm in the Secondary School Media Center.
4. **Building and Grounds Committee to Meet** – The Building and Grounds Committee met Wednesday, March 29, 2017 to review proposals received for making improvements to the Ellendale Softball Complex specific to parking and access. The Committee is researching additional information before making a recommendation to the Board. In addition, information was shared regarding improvements needed to address water drainage at the Elementary School at one of the exit/entrances. Administration will be following up with ISG as part of the facility assessment as well as seeking additional information on quotes received.
5. **Community Night Out** -- The annual Community Night Out Live and Silent Auction sponsored by the NRHEG Parent Teacher Organization is scheduled for Saturday, April 1, 2017, to be held at Wedgewood Cove in Albert Lea. The Community Night Out event fundraises for the purpose of contributing to the life of the School District in various ways with a primary focus on students. Participation at the event as well as donations are appreciated.
6. **MSBA Phase III Board Member Training** – MSBA is offering Phase III Trainings for board members at six different locations on six different dates in April. The objective of the training is to build a high-performing school board with a focus on leadership styles and consensus building. The closest location is Rochester on Wednesday, April 19. All trainings are from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm. Please let Sue Kulseth know by April 1 if you are interested in attending. The six locations and dates are:

**Wednesday, April 5, 2017 — FERGUS FALLS**

Lakes Country Service Cooperative, 1001 East Mount Faith Avenue  
Registration deadline: March 29

**Thursday, April 6, 2017 — THIEF RIVER FALLS**

Quality Inn, 1060 Highway 32 South, Thief River Falls  
Registration deadline: March 29

**Friday, April 7, 2017 — MOUNTAIN IRON**

Northeast Service Cooperative, 5525 Emerald Avenue, Mountain Iron  
Registration deadline: March 29

**Tuesday, April 11, 2017 — MARSHALL**

Southwest/West Central Service Cooperative, 1420 East College Drive, Marshall  
Registration deadline: April 4

**Tuesday, April 18, 2017 — MAPLE GROVE** (Note: This workshop was originally scheduled for April 20)  
Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, 11801 Fountains Way North, Maple Grove  
Registration deadline: April 11

**Wednesday, April 19, 2017 — ROCHESTER**  
210 Wood Lake Meeting Center, 210 Wood Lake Drive SE, Rochester  
Registration deadline: April 11

7. **ISG Facility Assessment Update** – Five representatives from ISG spend all day Thursday and Friday morning examining facilities and grounds in New Richland. The original plan was to spend Thursday in New Richland and Friday in Ellendale. We will be rescheduling a date for a day in Ellendale.

We are also finalizing plans for ISG to be in the District to meet with staff specific to programs. The purpose will be to determine how, or if, the facility is limiting the curriculum and programmatic instruction of the school district. Principals Bunn and Anderson will be working with their staff to coordinate opportunities for program leaders to meet with ISG.

## Celebrations & Recognitions

(Taken from School and Department Announcements and Communications)

**Section 2AA Coach of the Year:** Congratulations to Pat Churchill for being named Section 2AA Coach of the Year!

**Boys and Girls Basketball:** Congratulations to both the Boys' and Girls' basketball for earning state consolation championships. Also, congratulations to Oakley Baker and Marnie Wagner for making their respective "All-Tournament Teams". Also, congrats to Oakley Baker for getting his 2,000th point.

## School Board Calendar of Events

April 4, 2017	5:30 pm	Teacher Association Negotiations – Secondary School Media Center
April 10, 2017	5:30 pm	Paraprofessional Association Negotiations – Sec. School Board Room
April 17, 2017	6:30 pm	Regular School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center
May 15, 2017	6:30 pm	Regular School Board Meeting – Elementary School Media Center

## Dale's Calendar for April 3 - 7 (As of 3-31-17)

Monday	9:30 am	Check in with Doug
	10:00 am	Check in with Terri
	1:30 pm	Check in with Dave
	2:00 pm	Check in with Karla
	2:30 pm	Check in with Sue
	4:00 pm	Softball

Tuesday	8:30 am	Administrative Team Meeting
	2:00 pm	Secondary Staffing with Dave
	5:30 pm	Teacher Negotiations
Wednesday		Out of District in AM
	1:00 pm	Elementary Staffing with Doug
Thursday	9:00 am	Staffing with Dave and Doug
	10:30 am	LTFM Planning
	2:00 pm	Meeting with Corrine on Workforce Focus Area
	4:00 pm	Softball
Friday		Out of the District

**Thank you for all you do!**