



NRHEG Public School

Independent School District No. 2168

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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.

Thank a School Board Member!

Dale Carlson, Superintendent

February 2019

Our vision as a school community is to *be the school district of choice, inspiring excellence in academics, arts, and activities*. We strive to do this every day by *empowering students with knowledge and skills to succeed*.

School Board Recognition Week February 18-22

The NRHEG Public Schools will join school districts throughout the state to salute their local education leaders during Minnesota's annual School Board Recognition Week February 18-22. The commemorative week is designed to recognize the contributions made by Minnesota's school board members, including our NRHEG School Board, who are charged with governing public education under state law.

Our elected school board members are responsible for formulating school district policy, approving curricula, developing a budget, maintaining school facilities, and adhering to state and federal education law. Legal concerns and the complexities of school finance, including budgeting and taxation, require them to spend many hours in board training programs and personal study to enhance their understanding of these issues.

Our deepest appreciation is extended to past and current board members who make it possible for local citizens to participate in education in our community. We salute the public servants of our NRHEG School Board whose commitment and civic responsibility make local control of public schools in our communities possible. Please join us in thanking our current members Karen Flatness, Rich Mueller, Luke Routh, Travis Routh, Neil Schlaak, Dan Schmidt, and Rick Schultz for their service!

April 9 Special Election Update

The School Board held a special work session on February 4 to continue its work in planning for the April 9 special election that will provide school district residents with an opportunity to consider the following ballot question.

Shall the school board of Independent School District No. 2168, NRHEG Public Schools, be authorized to issue its general obligation school building bonds in an amount not to exceed \$9,100,000.00 to provide funds for the acquisition and betterment of school sites and facilities,

Dale N. Carlson, Superintendent

David A. Bunn, High School Principal

Douglas A. Anderson, Elementary Principal

including safety and security improvements at the Elementary School; infrastructure improvements and completion of various deferred maintenance projects at school sites and facilities; completion of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility improvements; and the completion of construction, renovation, expansion, or maintenance of classrooms, labs, restrooms, and other instructional spaces at school sites and facilities?

The school district will be hosting two “open houses” where voters can learn more about the identified needs. The first open house will be held at the Elementary School on Monday, March 11, beginning at 6:00 pm in the Media Center. The second open house will be held at the Secondary School on Thursday, March 14, beginning at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria. Both evenings will begin with an overview of what is included in the ballot question followed by building tours.

Brochures will be mailed to each household in the school district in which an eligible voter resides by February 22. The brochure will include detailed information about the question being put before voters on April 9. Information is also available on the school district website at www.nrheg.k12.mn.us by going to the **District** tab and then **Facility Planning**.

A reminder that the School Board conducts its regular monthly meeting on the third Monday of each month. The location of the meeting is rotated monthly between the NRHEG Secondary School Media Center in New Richland and the NRHEG Elementary School Media Center in Ellendale. The February 19, 2019, School Board meeting will be at the Secondary School beginning at 6:30 pm., and the March 18, 2019, School Board meeting will be at the Elementary School beginning at 6:30 pm. Please note the February 19 is a Tuesday meeting due to February 18 being President’s Day.

We celebrate together in the accomplishments of our students because we are in this journey together as a school community. Thank you for all you do to support NRHEG Public Schools and our students!