

# MENAHGA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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*"Home of the Braves"*



Dear Board,

Spring is trying to show up, even if the weather hasn't fully cooperated yet. We're getting there, and you can feel the energy building as we head into the final stretch of the school year.

Since our last meeting, we've had a number of great events across the district. Our spring concerts, Kindergarten Round-Up, Scholarship Night, and other celebrations have really highlighted the work of our students and staff. There's a lot to be proud of right now in Menahga.

The Board Buildings and Grounds Committee has been meeting and planning around the needs, wants, and dreams for our long-term facilities and grounds. This is important work as we look ahead and make sure we are being thoughtful and proactive in how we care for our district.

Looking ahead to summer, the Board Policy Committee is working with the administrative team to review data around student needs and will be bringing forward recommendations on the 500 (student) series of board policy. This work will help shape our student and staff handbooks moving into next year. Excessive screen time for students has emerged as an important topic and will be addressed as part of that review.

Staffing for next year is essentially in place, pending final enrollment numbers. If we see an increase of four additional fourth-grade students, I will bring forward a recommendation to add another teacher at that grade level. As always, this is tied to our commitment to keeping class sizes at a level where strong relationships and support for all learners can happen every day.

As we get closer to graduation, there's a lot of excitement in the building. The Class of 2026 will be walking across the stage soon, and they've been a great group to work with. They will be missed.

Thank you for your continued support of our students, staff, and community.

It's a great day to be a Brave.

Jay Kjos  
Superintendent



The Mission of Menahga School District #821 is to build strong partnerships with stakeholders to ensure all learners succeed.