

ISD 698 Floodwood School District

Superintendent Report



Mrs. Susan Hoeft

May 18, 2026

World Class Education

- **Perkins CTE Grant awarded**

The district was notified this week that the Perkins CTE grant submitted by Principal Fjeld and Mr. Skripsky was awarded. The \$2,750 grant will allow Floodwood School District to purchase an ArcDroid CNC Plasma Robot for the shop program. Congratulations to Mr. Skripsky for helping bring new hands-on career related technology opportunities to our students!

Safe and Nurturing Environment

- **Security Camera Update**

Phase 1 of the security camera update started on Monday 4/20/26.

New Safety Equipment - Camera System - \$54,270.00

Cyber Security Grant - \$37,273.00

Safe Schools Levy - \$16,997.41 of our available \$19,702.41

PHASE 1 is complete and cameras are all working well. Cyber Security Grant revenue request has been submitted and approved.

Phase 2 After 7/1/26

An additional phase of security enhancement is planned using carryover FY 26 Safe Schools Levy and some of that levy allocation for FY 27.

Fund a 21st Century Education

- **Title Funding**

While working with ARCC business manager Mrs. Backlund, we identified that some expenses in FY24 and FY25 were not coded correctly to Title funding. As a result, general fund dollars were used for expenses that should have been covered by federal Title funds, leaving an unexpected balance in Title revenue.

Superintendent Hoeft has been in contact with MDE, and has revised our current year Title plan. Our goal is to utilize the excess funds to avoid exceeding the 15% carryover cap and forfeiture of the revenue. The revised plan will be submitted by April 30, 2026.

Update- The revised plan was approved by the Minnesota Department of Education. The district will be able to purchase the following items using Title revenue:

Reading Intervention Materials/Curriculum

Math Intervention Materials/Curriculum

Mobile Storage Carts

Student/Staff Interactive Technology

District Indirect Costs

- **Solar for Schools Grant**

Floodwood School District cleared the first hurdle recently with our Grant Application Readiness Assessment approval. The MN Department of Commerce has reserved up to \$448,364.80 for the Floodwood Solar for Schools system. System size is 347.57 kWdc Final values determined as part of the full grant application.

The final grant application is due by July 2, 2026.

A representative from Ideal Energies will provide a presentation to the school board on May 18, 2026.

- **Northern Lights Charter School Food Service Agreement**

Northern Lights Charter School in Warba MN School Board approved the draft agreement that was shared with them for Food Service from Floodwood School District for 2026-27 school year.

Northern Lights staff will pick up and transport the food daily.

The revenue generated through this contract will assist in providing a 6 hour per day Food Service Assistant in the cafeteria.

Northern Lights has also been kind enough to allow us to use their freezer space for commodities (at no charge) over the summer if we need storage as our equipment will be off during construction.

Community Engagement

- **Monthly press releases and social media communication** updating the community, staff, and students regarding the construction project will continue. See the district website for more information!