

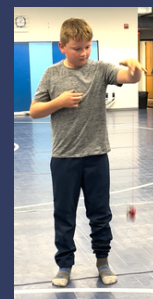


Middle School Board Report

July 2026

SUMMER SCHOOL FUN

Summer school is off to a fantastic start, with students participating in a wide variety of engaging academic, enrichment, and recreational experiences. Courses such as Baking, Treats From Around the World, Horse Camp, Outdoor Yard Games, Summer Saunters, and Frisbee Flyers have provided students with unique opportunities to learn through hands-on experiences. Students have also enjoyed developing their athletic skills through outstanding sports camps, including basketball, golf, tennis, and volleyball. These opportunities continue to foster learning, exploration, and positive relationships throughout the summer.



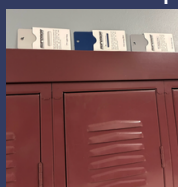
ATHLETES ARE MADE IN THE OFF SEASON

Our student-athletes have been busy participating in summer athletics, camps, and team activities. We appreciate the dedication of our coaches, athletes, and families as they invest their time in developing skills, building teamwork, and representing Unity with pride throughout the summer months.



WHAT'S NEW IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL?

If you've walked through the middle school recently, you've likely noticed an exciting update! The original mauve lockers that lined our hallways for many years have been replaced with larger, modern lockers, giving the middle school a refreshed look while providing improved functionality for our students.



GO EAGLES!



HIGH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: JULY 2026

High School Building Update

Unity High School begins the 2026–27 school year with a total enrollment of 258 students distributed across grade levels as follows:

Freshmen: 64
Sophomores: 56
Juniors: 62
Seniors: 76

Enrollment figures for the Alternative Diploma Program (ADP) will be updated and reported following the start of the 2026–27 school year.
Academic Success

Academic Excellence:

Following the completion of Trimester 3

- 103 students earned placement on the Honor Roll, achieving a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.
- 52 students earned Honorable Mention, recognizing students who achieved a GPA between 3.0 and 3.49.

Additionally, academic letters recognize sustained academic achievement and are awarded to students who have maintained a 3.5 GPA or higher for six trimesters during their high school career. Following Trimester 3, 58 students earned academic letters, demonstrating a consistent commitment to high academic standards and excellence in the classroom.

We congratulate all students who earned Honor Roll, Honorable Mention, and Academic Letter recognition for their outstanding efforts and achievements.



On June 12, Unity High School students returned from an unforgettable week-long music trip to Nashville, Tennessee. Throughout the week, students immersed themselves in a variety of musical, historical, and cultural experiences that expanded their learning beyond the classroom. Highlights of the trip include touring the legendary Grand Ole Opry, recording in the historic RCA Studio B—on the anniversary of the day Elvis Presley signed with the studio—and watching Mrs. Sorel perform on Elvis' original piano. Students also visited the Country Music Hall of Fame, participated in a singer-songwriter workshop, and explored the National Museum of African American Music.

During the first week of June incoming senior, Christine Bertsch traveled to Atlanta with Mr. Lee and her mother to represent Wisconsin at the SkillsUSA National Leadership & Skills Conference in the T-Shirt Design competition. Throughout the week, Christine participated in leadership development activities, networked with students and industry professionals from across the country, and experienced many of the educational and cultural opportunities the conference had to offer. Christine represented Unity School District exceptionally well, earning 15th place nationally among competitors from every state and U.S. territory.





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Congratulations to Unity's 4x800-meter relay team on an outstanding performance at the WIAA State Track & Field Championships. The team earned a 3rd-place state finish while setting a new Unity School record with a time of 8:08.25. The relay team consisted of Dominic Fox, Kasyn Fisher, Isaiah Morales, and Oliver Gariepy, with Ashton Patterson and Marcus Majeske serving as alternates. Their dedication, perseverance, and teamwork resulted in an exceptional season and a memorable accomplishment that has earned them a place in Unity track and field history. We congratulate these student-athletes and their coaches on this outstanding achievement and for representing Unity with excellence at the state level.



UMD FOOTBALL CAMP

TWENTY-FIVE UNITY FOOTBALL PLAYERS ATTENDED THE ANNUAL UMD FOOTBALL CAMP, LED BY HEAD COACH TRENT NYHUS. THROUGHOUT THE CAMP, STUDENT-ATHLETES FOCUSED ON DEVELOPING FUNDAMENTAL FOOTBALL SKILLS WHILE EMPHASIZING TEAMWORK, COMPETITIVENESS, LEADERSHIP, AND PERSONAL GROWTH. THE EXPERIENCE PROVIDED VALUABLE INSTRUCTION AND TEAM-BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES THAT WILL HELP PREPARE THE EAGLES FOR A SUCCESSFUL FALL SEASON. WE COMMEND OUR STUDENT-ATHLETES AND COACHING STAFF FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT AND LOOK FORWARD TO AN EXCITING FOOTBALL SEASON AHEAD!



UPCOMING EVENTS

- August Inservice: 18-20 & 24-27

UNITY SPECIAL EDUCATION

JULY 2026



POST SECONDARY SURVEY RESULTS

Each year, school districts complete the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's Indicator 14 follow-up survey to learn what students with disabilities are doing one year after leaving high school. The survey measures participation in higher education, employment, and other postsecondary activities.

This year, Unity School District completed surveys with graduates from the 2024–2025 school year who received special education services. Results showed that 17% of respondents enrolled in college or technical education, 67% entered competitive employment, and 17% were employed in other work settings.

Most importantly, 100% of respondents were engaged in employment or postsecondary education or training, compared to the statewide average of 87.9%. These results reflect the positive transition outcomes our students are achieving after graduation.

A special thank you to high school special education teacher Jaime Weness for assisting with contacting families and gathering the survey responses. Her efforts helped ensure a high response rate and meaningful data to support continuous improvement in transition planning.

EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANTS BUILD SKILLS AT CESA 11 SUMMIT

Seven Unity School District educational assistants, along with additional newly hired educational assistants as staffing is finalized, will attend the CESA 11 Paraprofessional Summit in Turtle Lake this August. This professional learning opportunity recognizes the essential role educational assistants play in supporting students while providing practical, evidence-based strategies to strengthen student engagement, inclusion, and emotional regulation.

Participants will attend keynote presentations and breakout sessions focused on creating inclusive learning environments, building positive relationships, supporting students experiencing dysregulation, and promoting staff well-being. The training will equip educational assistants with valuable tools they can immediately apply to support student success throughout the school year.

PLANNING FOR 2026–27

In July, middle and high school special education teachers meet to prepare for the upcoming school year. During these planning sessions, teams review student data and IEPs, update case management assignments, and develop student schedules to ensure that appropriate services and supports are in place. This collaborative planning helps provide a smooth start to the school year and ensures programming is aligned with each student's individual needs.