



MAHTOMEDI
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Superintendent Update

April 27, 2026

Experience Excellence





This year, we have a new Communication Board being used at Wildwood Elementary School.

[Click here to learn more about the project](#)

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Around the District

AI Dessert & Dialogue

On April 14 we hosted a Dessert & Dialogue session with professionals whose AI use is integral to their work. Major themes included:

Portrait competencies remain essential human skills. Integrity, innovative thinking, collaboration, and other Portrait of a Graduate competencies continue to be critical for success after graduation.

Students need strong background knowledge to use AI well. Content knowledge, context, and critical thinking help students evaluate AI outputs,

Students need integrity and judgment when using AI. They should recognize when AI can enhance their work and create efficiencies without replacing their own thinking and voice. These skills are important first steps in addressing ethical use and the environmental impacts of AI.



Around the District

MHS Career, Internship, and Volunteer Fair

The Career, Internship, and Volunteer Fair was held at Mahtomedi High School on April 10.

- Over 100 individuals and 59 businesses participated in the event (double the number of organizations and careers from 2025)
- New this year: a Career Bingo sheet to increase student engagement and student ambassadors to encourage connections and booths to visit



Around the District

MMS Career Day

The Mahtomedi Middle School Career Day was held on March 26.

Students attended three twenty-five-minute sessions and had the opportunity to learn about a wide variety of careers. There were more than 30 careers represented, spanning a wide variety of fields including healthcare, public safety, business, law, engineering, science, education, media, hospitality, and entrepreneurship.

We surveyed our students after the event, and 95% said they learned something new!



Alumni, family, and community members brought their careers to life for Mahtomedi students with classroom presentations.



Around the District

Community Education News

[Nature Night](#) returns on April 30. Families with children ages 2 through 2nd grade are invited to explore the outdoors with an evening of hands-on STEM activities and natural play.

- Meet reptiles from Snake Discovery
- Warm up by a bonfire with apple cider
- Explore a scavenger hunt, story stroll, and nature-inspired arts and crafts
- Enjoy food from Brick Oven Bus and Mik Mart Ice Cream Truck (food truck purchases extra)

The event is FREE to attend, but registration is required. [Click here to register.](#)



Around the District

Facilities Update

- Safety & Security
- Fine Arts
- Innovation Wing (Locker Bay)
- Commons
- Weight Room & Turf Field



Awards & Noteworthy News

Class of 2025 Graduation Rate

Our four-year district graduation rate remains high. We recognize that not all students graduate in the same way and in the same time frame. Our seven-year graduation rate also remains high at over 98% and is a reflection of the impact of our Passages Transition Program.

96%



Awards & Noteworthy News

Annie Dahl Outstanding DECA Award

Congratulations to Mahtomedi teacher **Annie Dahl**, who recently won the Outstanding DECA Advisor award for the 2025-26 school year.

The Outstanding Service Award recognizes education professionals who have made significant contributions to further the mission of DECA.



Awards & Noteworthy News

Bryan Farmer Air and Space Forces Association Minnesota State Aerospace/STEM Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to **Mahtomedi High School Engineering and Science teacher Bryan Farmer** on being named the Rawlings Chapter Teacher of the Year, Chapter Aerospace/STEM Teacher of the Year, and Air and Space Forces Association Minnesota State Aerospace/STEM Teacher of the Year.

The Chapter Teacher program recognizes classroom teachers at the chapter and state levels for their accomplishments and achievements in engaging K-12 students in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) and in preparing students to use and contribute to tomorrow's Technologies. The State Teacher of the Year award honors exemplary K-12 educators and Chapter Teacher of the Year winners at the AFA State level who make a profound difference in the lives of their students and in their community. Congratulations to Mr. Farmer on these honors!



Upcoming Events

April 30: Family Nature Night

May 5: [Community Lunch](#) 11:30 am-1 pm DEC

May 8: [Food Truck Friday](#) 5-7 pm DEC

May 11: Zephyr Learning Showcase 6:15-6:45 pm
DEC

May 25: Memorial Day (No School)

