

South St. Paul School Board - Work Session

Monday, March 23, 2026 5:00 PM

CITY HALL, 125 THIRD AVENUE NORTH, South St Paul, Minnesota 55075

I. STUDENT SERVICES

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- Educational Foundation
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III.D. Other Items Deemed Necessary by the School Board



School Board Agenda Item

Date: March 23, 2026

Place on Agenda: Regular Meeting

Action Requested: Approval

Attachment: Joint Powers Agreement for Childhood Vaccinations Between the County of Dakota and Special School District 6

Topic: Joint Powers Agreement for Childhood Vaccinations
Presenter(s): Jennifer Danielson, Executive Director of Student Services
Background: Under the agreement, Dakota County would coordinate services through Homeland Health Specialist, Inc., while the district would provide space, help promote the clinics to families, and support consent and on-site logistics. This continued partnership is intended to continue to improve access to required childhood vaccinations and support compliance with Minnesota school immunization requirements. We have coordinated clinics this year with Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. and they provide a great service to our students and families. We look forward to continuing the partnership with them for the 2026-27 school year.
Recommendation: Administration recommends the approval of the Joint Powers Agreement for Childhood Vaccinations Between the County of Dakota and Special School District 6.
Alternatives: Do not approve and direct administration with next steps.

**JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR CHILDHOOD VACCINATIONS
BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF DAKOTA AND
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 6**

This Joint Powers Agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into by and between the County of Dakota, a political subdivision of the State of Minnesota, by and through its Department of Public Health (“County”), and Independent School District 6, 104 5th Ave S, South St. Paul, MN 55075, “School District”, by and through their respective governing bodies (collectively referred to as “Parties” herein.)

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County and the School District are governmental units as that term is defined in Minn. Stat. §471.59;

WHEREAS, under Minn. Stat. §471.59, subd.1, two or more governmental units may enter into an agreement to cooperatively exercise any power common to the contracting Parties, and one of the participating governmental units may exercise one of its powers on behalf of the other governmental units;

WHEREAS, the County is permitted to provide such childhood vaccinations pursuant to statutes and grant(s) it has received from the Minnesota Department of Health;

WHEREAS, School District is interested in providing convenient access to childhood vaccination services to families in the School District;

WHEREAS, the County intends to enter into a subcontract with Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. to provide childhood vaccinations at School District, as outlined in Exhibit 2, Service Grid;

WHEREAS it is convenient to both the School District and the County for such vaccination services to be provided to children in the School District on School District property;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants herein, the County and School District hereby agree as follows:

1. Term and Effective Date. This Agreement shall be effective on the date of the signature of the last party to sign this Agreement and expires on March 31, 2027, unless amended in writing or earlier terminated by law or according to the provisions of this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, this agreement is dependent on the approval and execution of a contract between the County and Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. to provide childhood vaccinations at the School District. County will provide a copy of its contract with Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. to School District upon request.
2. Purpose. The purpose of this Agreement is to for Dakota County, through its contract with Homeland Health Specialist, Inc., to provide childhood vaccinations at School District locations. All services provided by the County and Homeland Health Specialist, Inc., are described in Exhibit 2, Service Grid.

3. School District Obligations. School District agrees to do as follows: (1) to designate an area within a School District building where vaccinations may be provided to applicable students in the School District; (2) to work with the County and Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. to determine mutually agreeable dates and times for such vaccinations; (3) to advertise and/or promote the vaccination clinics to families residing in the School District; (4) to work with the County to prepare a mutually acceptable vaccination consent form to be signed by each vaccination recipient's parent or legal guardian; and (5) to have a School District representative present during the vaccination clinics to provide consent forms to be signed by each child's parent or legal guardian. A signed consent form must be received by County or Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. prior to each child's vaccination(s).

The grant funds utilized to pay Homeland Health Specialist, Inc, for services it will provide School District hereunder are subject to the terms and conditions contained in both the Federal COVID-19 Vaccination Implementation Grant Agreement between Dakota County and the State of Minnesota dated May 10, 2021, as may be periodically amended, including amendments dated November 30, 2021 and December 13, 2023. ("State Contracts"). School District agrees to comply with all terms and conditions contained in the State Contracts that are applicable to the County to the extent that they are applicable to the activities described in the Service Grid. County will provide copies of these contracts to School District upon request.

4. County Obligations.
The County, through its contractual relationship with Homeland Health Specialist, INC, agrees to provide childhood vaccinations to children in the School District as described in Exhibit 2 from the Effective Date through March 31, 2027, on the dates and times agreed upon by School District, Homeland Health Specialist, Inc., and the County.
5. Authorized Representatives. The following named persons are designated as the Authorized Representatives of the parties for purposes of this Agreement. These persons have authority to bind the party they represent and to consent to modifications, except that the Authorized Representatives shall have only authority specifically granted by their respective governing boards. Notice required to be provided pursuant this Agreement shall be provided to the following named persons and addresses unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, or in a modification to this Agreement.

The County's Authorized Representative is:
Gil Acevedo, Assistance County Manager
Telephone: 651-554-6007
Email: Gilbert.Acevedo@CO.DAKOTA.MN.US

The School District's Authorized Representative is:
Brian Zambreno, Superintendent
Telephone: 651-457-9400
Email: bzambreno@sspps.org

The parties shall provide written notification to each other of any change to the Authorized Representative. Such written notification shall be effective to change the designated liaison under this Agreement, without necessitating an amendment of this Agreement.

6. Assignment. The School District may neither assign nor transfer any rights or obligations under this Agreement without the prior consent of the County and a fully executed assignment agreement, executed by the County and the School District.
7. Indemnification. The parties agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the other, its officers, agents and employees against any and all liability, loss, costs, damages, claims or actions its officers, agents or employees may hereafter sustain, incur, or be required to pay, arising out of or by reason of any act or omission of the indemnifying party, its officers, agents, or employees, in the execution, performance or failure to adequately perform its obligations pursuant to this Agreement. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver by School District or County of any of the immunities or limitations of liability to which they may be entitled pursuant to Minn. Stat. Ch. 466 or any other statute or law.
8. Insurance Terms. Each Party shall maintain policies of insurance or self-insurance that cover the services provided under this Agreement in an amount not less than the statutory maximum set forth in Minn. Stat. § 466.04 or other applicable statutes.
9. Audit. The School District shall maintain books, records, documents and other evidence pertaining to the costs or expenses associated with the work performed pursuant to this Agreement. Upon request the School District shall allow the County, Legislative Auditor or the State Auditor to inspect, audit, copy or abstract all of the books, records, papers or other documents relevant to this Agreement. The School District shall use generally accepted accounting principles in the maintenance of such books and records, and shall retain all of such books, records, documents and other evidence for a period of six (6) years from the date of the completion of the activities funded by this Agreement.
10. Data Practices. The School District agrees with respect to any data that it possesses regarding the Agreement to comply with all of the provisions of the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act contained in Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13, as the same may be amended from time to time. Minn. Stat. § 144.3351 allows for the sharing of certain immunization data between School District and County. Pursuant to this statute, School District agrees that the County must collect and maintain the following information about each child receiving a vaccination:
 - (1) patient's name, address, date of birth, gender, parent or guardian's name; and
 - (2) date vaccine was received, vaccine type, lot number, and manufacturer of all immunizations received by the patient, and whether there is a contraindication or an adverse reaction indication.
11. Relationship of the Parties. Nothing contained in this Agreement is intended or should be construed as creating or establishing the relationship of co-partners or joint ventures between the County and the School District, nor shall the County be considered or deemed to be an agent, representative or employee of the School District in the performance of this Agreement. Personnel of the School District or other persons while engaging in the performance of this Agreement shall not be considered employees of the County and shall not be entitled to any compensation, rights or benefits of any kind whatsoever.
12. Governing Law, Jurisdiction and Venue. Minnesota law, without regard to its choice-of-law provisions, governs this Agreement. Venue for all legal proceedings arising out of this

Agreement, or its breach, must be with the appropriate state court with competent jurisdiction in Dakota County.

13. Compliance with Law. The School District agrees to conduct its work under this Agreement in compliance with all applicable provisions of federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, or regulations, and further agrees to comply with the Standard Assurances attached as Exhibit 1. The School District is responsible for obtaining and complying with all federal, state, or local permits, licenses, and authorizations necessary for performing the work.
14. Default and Remedies.
 - (a) Events of Default. The following shall, unless waived in writing by the County, constitute an event of default under this Agreement: If the School District fails to fully comply with any material provision, term, or condition contained in this Agreement.
 - (b) Notice of Event of Default and Opportunity to Cure. Upon the County's giving the School District written notice of an event of default, the School District shall have thirty (30) calendar days in which to cure such event of default, or such longer period of time as may be reasonably necessary so long as the School District is using its best efforts to cure and is making reasonable progress in curing such events of default (the "Cure Period"). In no event shall the Cure Period for any event of default exceed two (2) months. Within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of notice of an event of default, the School District shall propose in writing the actions that the School District proposes to take and the schedule required to cure the event of default.
 - (c) Remedies. Upon the School District's failure to cure an event of default within the Cure Period, the County may terminate this Agreement and its obligation to provide childhood vaccinations under this Agreement for cause by providing thirty (30) days' written notice to the School District. Such notice to terminate for cause shall specify the circumstances warranting termination of the Agreement. Notice of Termination shall be made by certified mail or personal delivery to the Authorized Representative of the other Party. For purposes of termination and default, all days are calendar days.
15. Non-Appropriation. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, this Agreement may be terminated immediately by the County in the event sufficient funds from the County, State, or Federal sources are not appropriated, obtained and continued at least the level relied on for the funding of this Agreement, and the non-appropriation of funds did not result from any act or bad faith on the part of the County.
16. Exhibits. The following exhibits are attached to and incorporated within this Subgrant Agreement:
 - Exhibit 1: Standard Assurances;
 - Exhibit 2: Service Grid;
17. Waiver. If the County fails to enforce any provision of this Agreement, that failure shall not result in a waiver of the right to enforce the same or another provision of this Agreement.
18. Complete Agreement. This Agreement and Exhibits contain all negotiations and agreements between the County and the School District. Any amendment to this Agreement must be in

writing and executed by the County and the School District. No other understanding regarding this Agreement, whether written or oral, may be used to bind either party. In the event of a conflict between the terms of any Exhibit and the body of this Agreement, this Agreement shall control.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated below.

COUNTY OF DAKOTA

By: _____

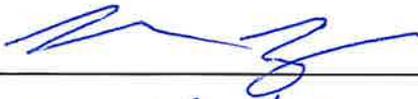
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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 6

School District Board
Resolution number/date: _____

By:  _____

Title: Superintendent

Date: 3/4/26

**EXHIBIT 1
STANDARD ASSURANCES**

1. **NON-DISCRIMINATION**. During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor shall not unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because the person is a member of a protected class under, and as defined by, federal law or Minnesota state law including, but not limited to, race, color, creed, religion, sex, gender, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, age, familial status, marital status, veteran's status, or public assistance status. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without unlawful discrimination.. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices which set forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, age, marital status, veteran's status, or public assistance status.

No funds received under this Contract shall be used to provide religious or sectarian training or services.

The Contractor shall comply with any applicable federal or state law regarding non-discrimination. The following list includes, but is not meant to limit, laws which may be applicable:

A. The Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.* which prohibits discrimination in employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

B. Equal Employment Opportunity-Executive Order No.11246, 30 FR 12319, signed September 24, 1965, as amended, which is incorporated herein by reference, and prohibits discrimination by U.S. Government contractors and subcontractors because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

C. The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 701 *et seq.* and 45 C.F.R. 84.3 (J) and (K) implementing Sec. 504 of the Act which prohibits discrimination against qualified handicapped persons in the access to or participation in federally-funded services or employment.

D. The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, 29 U.S.C. § 621 *et seq.* as amended, and Minn. Stat. § 181.81, which generally prohibit discrimination because of age.

E. The Equal Pay Act of 1963, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 206(d), which provides that an employer may not discriminate on the basis of sex by paying employees of different sexes differently for the same work.

F. Minn. Stat. Ch. 363A, as amended, which generally prohibits discrimination because of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, disability, sexual orientation, or age.

G. Minn. Stat. § 181.59 which prohibits discrimination against any person by reason of race, creed, or color in any state or political subdivision contract for materials, supplies, or construction. Violation of this section is a misdemeanor and any second or subsequent violation of these terms may be cause for forfeiture of all sums due under the Contract.

H. Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 through 12213, 47 U.S.C. §§ 225, 611, with regulations at 29 C.F.R. § 1630, which prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals on the basis of a disability in term, condition, or privilege of employment.

I. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000d, *et seq.* and including 45 CFR Part 80, prohibits recipients, including their contractors and subcontractors, of federal financial assistance from discriminating on the basis of race, color or national origin which includes not discriminating against those persons with limited English proficiency.

J. The Pregnancy Discrimination Act of 1978, which amended Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e *et seq* which prohibits discrimination on the basis of pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions.

K. Equal Protection of the Laws for Faith-based and Community Organizations-Executive Order No. 13279, signed December 12, 2002 and as amended May 3, 2018. Prohibits discrimination against grant seeking organizations on the basis of religion in the administration or distribution of federal financial assistance under social service programs, including grants and loans.

L. Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended, 38 U.S.C. 4212, with regulations at 41 C.F.R. Part 60-250, which prohibits discrimination in employment against protected veterans.

2. **DATA PRIVACY.** For purposes of this Contract, all data created, collected, received, stored, used, maintained, or disseminated by Contractor in the performance of this Contract are subject to the requirements of the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minn. Stat. Ch. 13, ("MGDPA") and the Minnesota Rules implementing the MGDPA. Contractor must comply with the MGDPA as if it were a governmental entity. The remedies in Minn. Stat. § 13.08 apply to the Contractor. Contractor does not have a duty to provide access to public data to a data requestor if the public data are available from the County, except as required by the terms of this Contract. If Contractor is a subrecipient of federal grant funds under this Contract, it will comply with the federal requirements for the safeguarding of protected personally identifiable information ("Protected PII") as required in the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 CFR Part 200, and the County Protected PII procedures, which are available upon request. Additionally, Contractor must comply with any other applicable laws on data privacy. All subcontracts shall contain the same or similar data practices compliance requirements.

3. **RECORDS DISCLOSURE/RETENTION.** Contractor's bonds, records, documents, papers, accounting procedures and practices, and other evidences relevant to this Contract are subject to the examination, duplication, transcription, and audit by the County and either the Legislative or State Auditor, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 16C.05, subd. 5. Such evidences are also subject to review by the Comptroller General of the United States, or a duly authorized representative, if federal funds are used for any work under this Contract. The Contractor agrees to maintain such evidences for a period of six (6) years from the date services or payment were last provided or made or longer if any audit in progress requires a longer retention period.

4. **WORKER HEALTH, SAFETY AND TRAINING.** Contractor shall be solely responsible for the health and safety of its employees in connection with the work performed under this Contract. Contractor shall make arrangements to ensure the health and safety of all subcontractors and other persons who may perform work in connection with this Contract. Contractor shall ensure all personnel of Contractor and subcontractors are properly trained and supervised and, when applicable, duly licensed or certified appropriate to the tasks engaged in under this Contract. Each Contractor shall comply with federal, state, and local occupational safety and health standards, regulations, and rules promulgated pursuant to the Occupational Health and Safety Act which are applicable to the work to be performed by Contractor.

5. **PROHIBITED TELLECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT/SERVICES.** If Contractor is a subrecipient of federal grant funds under this Contract, Contractor certifies that, consistent with Section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. 115-232 (Aug. 13, 2018) (the "Act"), and 2 CFR § 200.216, Contractor will not use funding covered by this Contract to procure or obtain, or to extend, renew, or enter into any contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses "covered telecommunications equipment or services" (as that term is defined in Section 889 of the Act) as a substantial or essential component of any system or as critical technology as part of any system. Contractor will include this certification as a flow down clause in any agreement related to this Contract.

6. **CONTRACTOR GOOD STANDING.** If Contractor is not an individual, Contractor must be registered to do business in Minnesota with the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State and shall maintain an active/in good standing status with the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State, and shall notify County of any changes in status within five calendar days of such change. Business entities formed under the laws of a jurisdiction other than Minnesota must maintain a certificate of authority (foreign corporations, limited liability companies, limited partnerships, and limited liability limited partnerships), or a statement of foreign qualification (foreign limited liability partnerships), or a statement of partnership authority (general partnerships). See Minn. Stat. §§ 303.03 (corporations); 322C.0802 (limited liability companies); 321.0902 and 321.0907 (foreign limited partnership); 321.0102(7) (foreign limited liability limited partnerships); 323A.1102(a) (foreign limited liability partnership); 321.0902 and 321.0907 (foreign general partnerships).

7. **CONTRACTOR DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND RESPONSIBILITY CERTIFICATION.** Federal Regulation 45 CFR 92.35 prohibits the State/Agency from purchasing goods or services with federal money from vendors who have been suspended or debarred by the federal government. Similarly, Minn. Stat. § 16C.03, subd. 2 provides the Commissioner of Administration with the authority to debar and suspend vendors who seek to

contract with the State/Agency. Vendors may be suspended or debarred when it is determined, through a duly authorized hearing process, that they have abused the public trust in a serious manner.

By signing this Contract, the Contractor certifies that it and its principals* and employees:

- A. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from transacting business by or with any federal, state, or local governmental department or agency; and
- B. Have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Contract: 1) been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract; 2) violated any federal or state antitrust statutes; or 3) committed embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property; and
- C. Are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity for: 1) commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction; 2) violating any federal or state antitrust statutes; or 3) committing embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property; and
- D. Are not aware of any information and possess no knowledge that any subcontractor(s) that will perform work pursuant to this Contract are in violation of any of the certifications set forth above; and
- E. Shall immediately give written notice to the Authorized Representative should Contractor come under investigation for allegations of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, or performing a public (federal, state, or local government) transaction; violating any federal or state antitrust statutes; or committing embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.

*"Principals" for the purposes of this certification means officers; directors; owners; partners; and persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g. general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment and similar positions).

8. **HEALTH DATA PRIVACY.** When applicable to the Contractor's duties under this Contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH), Minnesota Health Records Act, and any other applicable health data laws, rules, standards, and requirements in effect during the term of this Contract.

9. **APPEALS.** The Contractor shall assist the County in complying with the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 256.045, Administrative and Judicial Review of Human Services Matters, if applicable.

10. **REPORTING.** Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the "Child Abuse Reporting Act", Minn. Stat. § 626.556, as amended, and the "Vulnerable Adult Reporting Act", Minn. Stat. § 626.557, as amended, and any rules promulgated by the Minnesota Department of Human Services, implementing such Acts.

11. **PSYCHOTHERAPISTS.** Contractor has and shall continue to comply with the provisions of Minn. Stat. Ch. 604, as amended, with regard to any currently or formerly employed psychotherapists and/or applicants for psychotherapist positions.

12. **EXCLUDED MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDERS.** By signing this contract, Provider certifies that it is not excluded. 42 U.S.C. § 1397 *et seq.* (subch. XX) of the Social Security Act.

13. **MDHS THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARY.** The following applies to contracts related to adult mental health services; see Minn. Stat. § 245.466, subd. 2. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the Minnesota Department of Human Services is a third-party beneficiary and as a third-party beneficiary, is an affected party under this Contract. Contractor specifically acknowledges and agrees that the Minnesota Department of Human Services has standing to and may take any appropriate administrative action or sue Contractor for any appropriate relief in law or equity, including, but not limited to, rescission, damages, or specific performance of all or any part of the Contract between the County Board and Contractor. Contractor specifically acknowledges that the County Board and the

Minnesota Department of Human Services are entitled to and may recover from Contractor reasonable attorneys' fees and costs and disbursements associated with any action taken under this paragraph that is successfully maintained. This provision shall not be construed to limit the rights of any party to the Contract or any other third

14. party beneficiary, nor shall it be construed as a waiver of immunity under the Eleventh Amendment to the United States Constitution or any other waiver of immunity. (Minn. Stat. § 245.466, subd. 3; Minn. R. 9525.1870, subp. 2).

Directions for Online Access to Excluded Providers

To ensure compliance with this regulation, identification of excluded entities and individuals can be found on the Office of Inspector General (OIG) website at https://oig.hhs.gov/exclusions/exclusions_list.asp

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EXHIBIT 2 – Service Grid**Goal**

Dakota County Public Health (DCPH) Department as being the Provider of Record for the Childhood Vaccinations will support the vaccination efforts of school district to improve vaccination rates and expediate compliance to the Minnesota requirements for school attendance.

School District's responsibilities

- Meet with Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. and County in advance of clinic to discuss logistics and ensure the space for the clinic will meet the needs of this Agreement
- Provide limited staff during the clinic to be an usher or greeter
- Obtain and provide to Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. signed vaccination consent forms from parents prior to each child's participation in the event
- Facilitate logistics of on-site vaccination events
- Conduct communication campaigns to staff and families of the school district.

Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. responsibilities under its Agreement with the County

- Meet with DCPH or identified school districts in advance of the clinic to make sure identified space meets the needs for the clinic and to determine logistics for the clinic.
- Provide nursing staff and administration as the Provider of Record up to a mutually agreed upon number of vaccinations, not to exceed a mutually agreed upon total number of vaccinations.
- Provide clinic supplies needed to vaccinate
- Work with DCPH or identified school partners to contact prioritized cohorts based on MDH and Center for Disease Control's (CDC) criteria to notify them of vaccine availability.
- Be the Provider of Record, meeting all of MDH requirements including but not limited to:
 - Pre-registration of clients
 - Scheduling of client appointments
 - Obtaining and tracking signed written consent forms for minor clients from parents or legal guardians
 - Gating of clients to ensure that clients meet vaccination criteria as provided by the County
 - Logistics for vaccination clinic
 - Documentation of doses and sending data to MIIC, within 7 days of administration of each vaccine as required by MDH
 - Review of client health information to determine whether contraindications or precautions exist that would medically exclude a potential vaccine recipient
 - Logistics for vaccination clinic including nurse staffing, supplies and removal of medical waste
 - Documentation of doses and sending data to MIIC within 7 days of administration of each vaccine as required by MDH
 - Bill client's insurance as applicable
 - Provide onsite or virtual interpreters as needed
- Provide clinic summary email to DCPH with a report after each clinic is completed, including:
 - Number of clients registered
 - Number of clients receiving one or more vaccinations
 - Number of clients denied vaccination due to not meeting vaccination criteria
 - Summary including immunizations given by date, by district, and by immunization type
 - Client satisfaction data
- Provide individual-level data to DCPH for its records, following all data practices and HIPAA requirements, either through encrypted email or other secure process
- Submit monthly invoices to PHInvoices@co.dakota.mn.us

County responsibilities

- Execute contract, provide payment for services and monitor outcomes with Homeland Health Specialist, Inc.
- Meet with Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. and school district in advance of clinic to discuss logistics and ensure the space for the clinic will meet the needs of the Homeland Health Specialist, Inc.
- Provide limited staff during the clinic to be an usher or greeter.
- Provide on-site District vaccination clinic services in the event Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. is unable to provide services and County agrees to perform, based on its capacity and resources, to perform such services.
- In the event that the County does not have sufficient funds to pay Homeland Health to provide services, the County will utilize its own staff to deliver those services, provided it has the capacity to do so.

Interpreters

County will pay for the actual costs of providing interpreter services to non-English speaking participants who are an open County case. Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. must receive prior written authorization of interpreter services costs from County staff prior to using those services. Unless there is specific prior authorization by the County, Homeland Health Specialist, Inc. must access interpreters from those agencies under contract with the County to provide interpreter services.

Inclusion, Diversity & Equity

The County embraces and supports person-centered practices and expects contractors to do the same. Person-centered practices are structured in a way to support a client's comfort and ability to express choice, control, and direction in all aspects of service delivery and support. While the nature of some services and service deliveries is such that it must account for factors beyond the client's choice, control and direction, including, but not limited to, the terms of this Contract, court orders, the safety of the client and others, and governing law, the County values consideration of the client's perspective, knowing that services are more efficient and effective when aligned with client choice. [For more information, refer to *Person-Centered, Informed Choice and Transition Protocol*, Minnesota Department of Human Services, issued 3/27/17 and updates.]

The County further recognizes that pervasive racism, discrimination and other institutional and community biases, as well as harm from historical trauma, are experienced by cultural communities and that this may contribute to overrepresentation of cultural communities in some County services. Appropriate service delivery often requires open discussion considering the real-life experiences of the people served, paying attention to the impact of pervasive racism and bias. At the referral level, it means inquiring with families about how to integrate their family or individual culture into service delivery. At the service level, it includes attention to outcomes for families receiving services in order to assess whether effectiveness differs in cultural communities and responding to any differences.

It is expected that while performing services for the County, the School District shall abstain from unacceptable behaviors including, but not limited to:

- Racial, ethnic or discriminatory jokes or slurs;
- Hostile, condemning, or demeaning communications, both verbal and written;
- Behavior demonstrating disrespect, dishonesty, intimidation, or disruption to the work relationship; and
- Retaliation against any person who reports or addresses unacceptable behavior.

It is the responsibility of the School District to ensure staff delivering services for the County are aware of these expectations and trained as needed to ensure respectful, cooperative and professional conduct in interactions with County staff and clients. If the County experiences or receives a report of an unacceptable behavior, it will share the report with School District. The School District must inform the County of steps taken to remedy the unacceptable behavior within ten (10) working days. If the unacceptable behavior persists, the County may terminate the Contract pursuant to the termination provision in the Contract.



School Board Agenda Item

Date: March 23, 2026

Place on Agenda: Business Meeting

Action Requested: Approval

Attachment: Resolution Appointing Election Judges for the May 12, 2026 School District Special Election.

Topic: Election Judges for the May 12, 2026 School District Special Election
Presenter(s): Lisa Brandecker, Manager of Administrative Services and Communications
Background: <p>Minnesota law requires school districts conducting an election to appoint qualified election judges to administer the election at the designated polling place. In accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 204B.19, the School Board must formally approve the appointment of election judges prior to the election. These judges are responsible for overseeing voting procedures, assisting voters, counting ballots, and reporting results for canvassing following the election.</p> <p>The attached resolution formally appoints the election judges who will serve during the South St. Paul Public Schools Special Election scheduled for May 12, 2026. Additional judges may be appointed if needed to fill vacancies prior to election day.</p>
Recommendation: <p>Administration recommends approval of the resolution appointing election judges for the May 12, 2026 School District Special Election.</p>
Alternatives: <p>Do not approve and direct administration with next steps.</p>

EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
OF SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6
(SOUTH ST. PAUL PUBLIC SCHOOLS)
STATE OF MINNESOTA

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular business meeting of the School Board of Special School District No. 6 (South St. Paul Public Schools), State of Minnesota, was duly held in the School District on March 23, 2026, at 6:00 o'clock p.m., for the purpose, in part, of adopting a resolution appointing election judges.

Member _____ moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES
FOR THE MAY 12, 2026
SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION**

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Special School District No. 6, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. The individuals specified on EXHIBIT A attached hereto, each of whom is qualified to serve as an election judge, are hereby appointed as judges of election for the School District's special election on May 12, 2026, to act as such at the combined polling place listed on said exhibit.
2. The election judges shall act as clerks of election, count the ballots cast, and submit the results to the School Board for canvass in the manner provided for other school district elections.
3. The School District Clerk and the Clerk's designee are hereby authorized to appoint additional election judges, as needed, to fill vacancies that may occur on or before election day.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by _____ . On a roll call vote, the following voted in favor:

and the following voted against:

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

EXHIBIT A

COMBINED POLLING PLACE

Lawshe Museum - Dakota County Historical Society

ELECTION JUDGES

Gusta Carr
Linda Diaz
LouAnn Goossens
Deb Hrinda
Paul Humann
Tom Polzin
Zelda Prentice
Patricia Schroeder
Robin Schroeder
Jeremy Weber
Tom Werner



School Board Agenda Item

Date: March 23, 2026

Place on Agenda: Regular Meeting

Action Requested: Approval

Attachment: None.

Topic: MDE Review and Comment and Community Information Session for Bond Referendum
Presenter(s): Lisa Brandecker, Manager of Administrative Services and Communications
Background: <p>In preparation for the upcoming Special School District Election scheduled for May 12, 2026, the district has been sharing information with the South St. Paul community regarding the proposed bond referendum. The proposal is based on identified facility needs and priorities across the district, including maintaining safe, functional learning environments and supporting future student needs.</p> <p>State law requires school districts to hold a public meeting to present the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) Review and Comment for proposed bond projects. At a recent School Board work session, the Board discussed and agreed to host this required meeting on Monday, April 13, 2026, at 7:00 PM in the Stock Exchange Room at SSP Secondary. This Community Information Session and MDE Review and Comment Session will include a presentation of the MDE findings, an overview of the proposed bond, and an opportunity for community members to ask questions ahead of the election.</p>
Recommendation: <p>Approval, for the South St. Paul School Board to hold a Community Information Session and MDE Review and Comment Session on Monday, April 13, 2026, at 7:00 PM in the Stock Exchange Room at SSP Secondary (700 2nd Street North), in advance of the Special School District Election scheduled for Tuesday, May 12, 2026.</p>
Alternatives: <p>Do not approve and direct administration with next steps.</p>



School Board Agenda Item

Date: March 23, 2026

Place on Agenda: Work Session

Action Requested: None at this time.

Attachment: None.

Topic: Special Meeting to Canvass Special Election
Presenter(s): Lisa Brandecker, Manager of Administrative Services and Communications
Background: Following the Special School District Election scheduled for May 12, 2026, state law requires the School Board to canvass the election results within a specified timeframe. The canvassing must occur between May 15 and May 22, 2026. This required window falls between the district's two regularly scheduled School Board meetings on May 11 and May 26, and therefore cannot be completed during a regular meeting. As a result, a special meeting will need to be scheduled within the legal timeframe. The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss and determine a date and time that works for the Board to convene and complete the canvassing of the election results.
Recommendation: None at this time.
Alternatives: N/A



School Board Agenda Item

Date: March 23, 2026

Place on Agenda: Work Session

Action Requested: N/A

Attachment: None.

Topic: Staff Appreciation Week
Presenter(s): Lisa Brandecker, Manager of Administrative Services and Communications
Background: Each year, South St. Paul Schools recognizes Employee Appreciation Week as an opportunity to thank staff for their ongoing dedication and contributions to our students and school community. In past years, School Board members have supported this effort by personally sponsoring snacks for staff lounges across the district. Employee Appreciation Week for 2026 is scheduled for May 4–8. In order to plan accordingly, the purpose of this agenda item is to gauge School Board interest in continuing this tradition. Feedback from the Board will help guide next steps and coordination for this year’s appreciation efforts.
Recommendation: N/A
Alternatives: N/A



School Board Agenda Item

Place on Agenda: Work Session

Action Requested: None. Discussion Only

Attachment: None

Topic: Public Relations and Community Engagement
Presenter(s): School Board
Background: The School Board will review the upcoming Calendar of Events and explore opportunities to collaborate with students, staff, families, and the greater South St. Paul community to further the district's mission and vision.
Recommendation: N/A
Alternatives: N/A

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School Board Agenda Item

Place on Agenda: Work Session

Action Requested: None. Discussion Only

Attachment: None

Topic: Committee Updates
Presenter(s): School Board Members
Background: School Board members will provide an update for the following committees that they serve on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● District 917● AMSD● Community Education● Educational Foundation● Finance, Facilities, and Long-Range Planning● Local Issues● Policy● SSP Open Foundation● Superintendent Executive
Recommendation: N/A
Alternatives: N/A

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