

Regular Monthly Board Meeting

Monday, February 2, 2026 5:30 PM

High School Media Center, 810 First Street North, Pine River, MN 56474

1. Call to Order and Pledge to the Flag

Speaker(s): Board Chair

Members: Leslie Bouchonville, Chris Cunningham, Roger D. Hoplin, Nicki Linsten-Lodge, Carrie Maurer-Ackerman, David Sheley, Ryan Trumble and Superintendent Jonathan Clark

Some members may participate via interactive technology.

2. Welcome to Visitors

Speaker(s): Board Chair

2.1. Public Comments and Time for Interaction with the Board on Agenda Items

Speaker(s): Board Chair

2.2. American Indian Parent Advisory Committee

3. Approve Agenda

4. Approve Minutes of the January 5, 2026 Reorganization and Regular Board Meetings

Speaker(s): Board Chair

5. Informational Items

5.1. Principal Reports

5.2. Director Reports

5.3. Superintendent Report

5.4. Enrollment Report

6. Consent Calendar

6.1. Approve Bills Presented

6.2. Approve Investment Report

6.3. Approve Treasurer's Report

6.4. Approve Electronic Funds Transfers and Other Banking Transactions

6.5. Federal Funds

6.6. Adopt Resolution Accepting Monetary Awards and Donations

6.7. Approve Personnel Items as Listed:

- Approve the Hiring of Lakota Mason as Cook for 6.25 Hours Per Day Effective January 12, 2026
- Approve a Maternity Leave of Absence for Courtney Benson from Approximately April 10, 2026 to June 2, 2026 and Authorize

Posting for a Long Term Substitute Teacher

- Accept the Resignation of Christine Davidge, Paraprofessional, Effective January 14, 2026
- Approve the Hiring of Gabrielle Hannah as Long Term Substitute Elementary Physical Education Teacher for the Period of January 26, 2026 to April 19, 2026. Gabrielle will be substituting for Cade Morse.
- Approve the Hiring of Robbi Gregory as Assistant Speech Coach for the 2025-26 Season

6.8. Approve the Pine River-Backus Education Minnesota Seniority Roster

6.9. Approve the Local 284 Seniority Roster

7. Discussion Items

7.1. MSBA Conference

7.2. Batting Cages

8. Open Forum

9. Adjourn

A meeting of the Board of Education was held in the High School Media Center at 5:40 p.m. on Monday, January 5, 2026 with Chair Cunningham presiding.

Members present: Leslie Bouchonville, Chris Cunningham, Roger D. Hoplin, Nicki Linsten-Lodge, Carrie Maurer-Ackerman, David Sheley, Ryan Trumble and Superintendent Jonathan Clark.

The floor was opened for comments from the public on agenda items.

Motion by Trumble, second by Maurer-Ackerman, to approve the agenda. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion by Hoplin, second by Bouchonville, to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2025 regular board meeting and the December 15, 2025 special meeting. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Administrative team, director and enrollment reports were heard.

Consent Calendar - Motion by Hoplin, second by Maurer-Ackerman, to approve the Consent Calendar, which consisted of the following items:

- Approve bills presented (checks 78639-78791 totaling \$724,370.72); approve the investment report; approve the treasurer's report; approve the report on electronic fund transfers and other banking transactions; adopt a resolution accepting monetary awards and donations; and
- Approve personnel items:
 - Approve the hiring of Kora Just as Prom Co-Advisor
 - Approve the hiring of Mike Shetka as Robotics Coach for the winter season
 - Approve the hiring of Andrew Rudlang as Robotics Coach for the winter season
 - Accept the resignation of Julian Kitchenhoff as Route Bus Driver effective December 1, 2025
 - Approve the hiring of Jeffrey Mattson as Route Bus Driver effective January 12, 2026
 - Increase the paraprofessional time of Jamie Dabill by 1.25 hours per day effective January 5, 2026

All voted aye and the motion carried.

Discussion Items:

- Strategic planning. Paul Neubauer from Teamworks introduced himself and talked briefly about the strategic planning process.

Motion by Trumble, second by Linsten-Lodge, to approve the agreement with Teamworks for strategic planning services. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion by Linsten-Lodge, second by Bouchonville, to approve the 2026 pay equity report. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion by Maurer-Ackerman, second by Hoplin, to adopt a Resolution Directing the Administration to Make Recommendations for Reduction in Programs and Positions and Reasons Therefore (resolution filed in legal minute book). All voted aye and the motion carried.

Open forum – the meeting was opened for comments from the public.

Cunningham adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Recorded by Cindy Felthous
Ryan Trumble, Clerk

The reorganization meeting of the Board of Education was held in the High School Media Center at 5:30 p.m. on January 5, 2026 with acting Chair Cunningham presiding.

Members present: Leslie Bouchonville, Chris Cunningham, Roger D. Hoplin, Nicki Linsten-Lodge, Carrie Maurer-Ackerman, David Sheley, Ryan Trumble and Superintendent Jonathan Clark.

Motion by Hoplin, second by Linsten-Lodge, to approve the agenda. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Cunningham called for nominations for the position of Chair. Sheley nominated Cunningham. No further nominations were received and Cunningham was named Chair.

Cunningham called for nominations for the position of Clerk. Sheley nominated Trumble. No further nominations were received and Trumble was named Clerk.

Cunningham called for nominations for the position of Treasurer. Sheley nominated Hoplin. No further nominations were received and Hoplin was named Treasurer.

Cunningham called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair. Sheley nominated Maurer-Ackerman. No further nominations were received and Maurer-Ackerman was named Vice Chair.

Committee assignments. Members are encouraged to visit with the Chair regarding committees they would be interested in serving. Committee assignments will remain the same unless members are notified of changes.

Meeting dates and times. Motion by Maurer-Ackerman, second by Hoplin to approve 2026 meeting dates and times. Regular monthly meetings, special meetings, work sessions and committee meetings will be posted on the school website.

Motion by Trumble, second by Bouchonville, to set the official board salaries as follows: Board Chair, Clerk and Treasurer \$200 per month; all other Board Members \$175 per month. All special meetings/work sessions/workshops/committee meetings \$100. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion by Hoplin, second by Linsten-Lodge, to set the official publication for the school district for 2026 as the Pine and Lakes Echo Journal. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion by Linsten-Lodge, second by Maurer-Ackerman, to set the official depositories for the Pine River-Backus School District for 2026 as the Pine River State Bank and Minnesota School District Liquid Asset Fund. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion by Sheley, second by Hoplin, to authorize the following list of individuals/positions to make investments and other banking transactions for the school district: Board Chair, Clerk, Treasurer, Superintendent, Business Manager and Human Resources Director. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion by Bouchonville, second by Trumble, to approve district membership in the following organizations: Minnesota School Board Association, Central Minnesota ERDC, Sourcewell, Minnesota State High School League, Cass County Economic Development Corporation, Pine River Chamber of Commerce and Minnesota Rural Education Association. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion by Linsten-Lodge, second by Maurer-Ackerman, to set the mileage reimbursement rate for claims incurred after January 1, 2026 at the IRS standard rate. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion by Hoplin, second by Trumble, to set meal reimbursement rates for claims incurred after January 1, 2026 to: breakfast \$20.00, lunch \$25.00 and dinner \$30.00. Meals are reimbursed only when travel requires an overnight stay. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion by Linsten-Lodge, second by Bouchonville, to set the district legal counsel with the firm Kennedy and Graven. The Board officers, Superintendent and designee will have authority to contact legal counsel. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Cunningham adjourned the meeting at 5:39 p.m.

Recorded by Cindy Felthous
Ryan Trumble, Clerk



School Board Report for February 2nd, 2026 *Current Happenings at PR-B High School*

PRB District and High School Site Goals: (2025 in process)

(District Level)

1. 80% of teachers will self-assess at a level of applying or innovating in Element 9 (Structured Practice Sessions).
2. 100% of certified staff will provide a positive message and photo to be posted on social media to their building principal by May 2026.

(High School - Building Level)

3. 100% of Pine River - Backus teachers in grades 7-12 will use at least two UDL strategies to give students multiple ways to engage, learn, and show what they know.

2025-2026 Level 1 Current Goals: Safe & Collaborative School

- -Administer Level 1 and 2 Surveys to staff, parents, students (*Established*)
- -Utilize monitoring system to identify lagging indicators - *In-Action*
- -Continue to strengthen PBIS program - *ongoing*
- -Implementation of Catalyst Strategies at the habitual and systems level - *daily/ongoing (training in Catalyst 1 toward certification)*
- -Professional Learning Teams - *2 Wednesdays per month*
- -ALICE/Crisis Planning - *Ongoing*

Focus of Effective Instructional Practices: (HRS Level 2)

- Standards, Rigor, Vocabulary, Common Model of Instruction, Instructional Rounds, REACH, Catalyst Strategies, Learning Goals Posted, HRS Framework
- -Marzano Art & Science of Teaching Learning Segment(s) (PLC focus)
- -Learning Goals Posted, Rigor, Vocabulary, Common Model of Instruction, Instructional Rounds

Professional Learning Teams

- PLC's are starting to get going. Staff will begin their PLC this year by choosing an element from Robert Marzano's "Art & Science of Teaching". PLCs will also be concentrating on essential standards and best practice in the remote setting during this school year. PLC's are under way and the feedback from faculty and the PLC Learning Team notes prove that we are creating and facilitating a model that creates and fosters teaching and learning growth and development. This is very positive for our school!

Jon Clark, Superintendent
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Josh Langseth, Elementary Principal
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- The purpose of a professional learning community is: (BASE NORMS)
 - To ensure that students learn
 - To ensure a culture of professional collaboration for school improvement
 - To focus on results
 - To be action oriented

Safe Environment and Consistent Discipline (HRS Level 1)

- I have been holding TDE (Teacher Development and Evaluation) goal meetings for all teachers. We discuss our Instructional Model and the connection to their professional goals and student goals. I was very pleased with the level of progress and knowledge shared in these meetings.
- *Curriculum - HRS Level 3*
- Our Social Studies and ELA Teams have been active working on getting their curriculum, standards, and assessments aligned. (3.1, 3.2). See Curriculum Director report for more details on this progress.
- Our High School Leadership Team met to discuss professional development opportunities for this year and next. We also continue to plan with Ms. LeFavor on our Level 3 (Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum) .
- I met with the Region 5 PLC Principal PLC and discussed challenges and strategies for PSEO/CIS course offerings and challenges, scheduling alternatives and credit recovery. Region 5 is collaborating in ways to try to offer more to our students efficiently and effectively, keeping the cost to our districts in mind.
- We held our Attendance Review Board Meeting to collaborate and address truancy and other student and family challenges. The collaboration and work together is much appreciated.

Staff Training and Professional Development: (HRS Levels 1 and 2)

- I am continuing with my scheduled and unscheduled walkthroughs in classrooms all over the high school. It is a very valuable part of our teaching and learning system that I truly enjoy.
- The PR-B Site Council Team met and discussed advisory "Tiger Time", Teacher Recognition strategies, analyzing building drills and upcoming staff get together opportunities.
- Our PR-B High School Leadership Team met and discussed feedback and direction for our PLCs, Advisory/Tiger Time, instructional rounds, Professional Growth Goals / Student Learning Goals.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT/ACTIVITIES (HRS Level 1)

- We held our Student of the Month celebrations for grades 5-8 and 9-12. It continues to be one of my favorite times to interact with students and families who deserve the recognition for their work and dedication. GO TIGERS!

Curriculum

- Ms. LeFavor has been holding meetings and working on implementing ELA and Social Studies standards and alignment across the district.

Teach Inspire Grow Excel Reach Succeed! TIGERS!

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- **Upcoming events**
 - **February 12th - Early Dismissal and Parent Teacher - Conferences**
 - **February 26-27 - Student of the Month Celebrations**
 - **March 20th - End of 3rd Quarter.**

**Respectfully,
Chris A. Halverson
Proud PRB High School Principal**

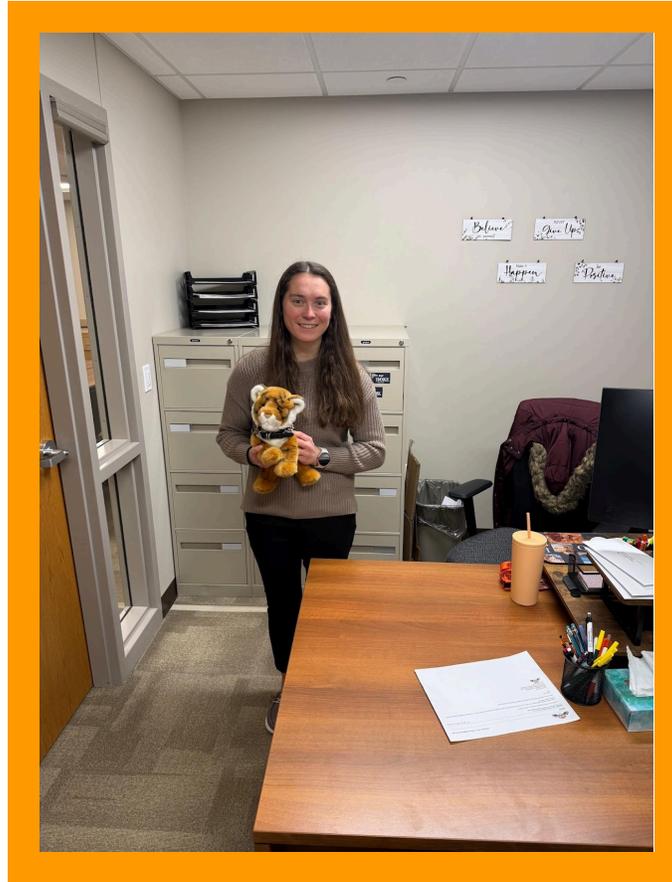
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CELEBRATIONS - AT PRB!!



Congratulations to Ms. Megan Ostendorf for being our next "SPIKE" recipient of the 2025-26 School Year!

"I would like to nominate Megan Ostendorf to receive Spike!

I greatly enjoy working with Megan in the office! She is so kind and patient to all the students who stop in to meet with her.

Her calm and attentive attitude towards students goes a long way.

With the new semester starting, her friendly and helpful personality is noticed by all!

- Ms. Jen Deplazes

Way to go... GO TIGERS! "

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Social Studies Department Hard at WORK! - Standards and Curriculum!! GO TIGERS!!!



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Pine River-Backus

PUBLIC SCHOOLS - PINE RIVER, MN

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2026

BUILDING GOALS:

District Goal:

1. 80% of teachers will self-assess at a level of applying or innovating in Element 9 (Structured Practice Sessions).
2. 100% of certified staff will provide a positive message and photo to be posted on social media to their building principal by May 2026.

Building Goal #1: HRS 3.4 - The school establishes clear and measurable growth goals that are focused on critical needs regarding improving overall student achievement at grade levels.

PBIS School -Wide Goal - By Spring 2026, 100% of students will get a good news call of the day from staff.

STRATEGIC DIRECTIVES

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

- Teachers have finished their quarterly and all other winter benchmark/screening assessments. We have staff that are very dedicated to diving into data and improving their instructional strategies. Teacher are analyzing data in their classroom as well as across their grade level.
- **Multi-Tiered System of Supports - HRS Level 3**
 - Our Multi-Tiered System of Supports team continues to meet bi-weekly to help teachers with Tier I and II interventions in both academics and behavior. We monitor the effectiveness of the intervention(s) by progress monitoring as needed (usually bi-weekly). This continues to provide our students with proper supports and allows us to ensure all students are getting what they need to succeed.

Curriculum - HRS Level 3

- Our ELA Curriculum team has been active working on the two pilots for a new implementation for the 2026-2027 school year. I look forward to this continued process and the meaningful work that is happening behind the scenes.
- **Professional Development**
 - We sent three elementary teachers and myself to San Antonio for the HRS Summit. We took a lot of information away from this time and we look forward to using this to further improve our building and sharing information with staff.
 - I look forward to attending MESPA later this week (4th-6th). This time allows for some quality keynotes, breakout sessions, and networking with other principals across the state.

Happenings at the Elementary School this month

- **I Love To Read Month**
 - February is the month schools celebrate "I Love to Read month" by encouraging students to read many books an even set some specific goals to work toward. Students will be given reading calendars to keep track of their reading minutes. Students set reading goals with our USA theme to go with the olympics and the 250 birthday of the US and are working toward getting their names into a drawing for a chance to win "USA themed" prizes at our February ROAR Rally and of course our grand prize of a new bicycle donated by the Masonic Lodge in Brainerd! Any students that meets their reading goal for the month will have their name put into the drawing.
- **2026 PRB Spelling Bee Championship!**
 - Our 5th-8th Grade 2025 Pine River-Backus Spelling Bee will take place on Wednesday, February 11th at 9:00am in the High School Gym. We are in the process of having our students qualifying for spots to compete. It is always a fun time and an exciting event watch.
- **"Dr. Seuss Read Across America Week"**
 - March 2nd-6th is National Read Across America Week. We will have several exciting reading themes planned for students and staff to participate in throughout the week. We will finish the week off with our annual Dr. Seuss Read-In, families will be invited in to read with their student(s) at that time and have a cookie and juice. More information to come!

February

2/3: Book Blast Celebration @ 10:00
2/4-6: Langseth at MESPA Conference
2/4: PLC's
2/10: MTSS @ 3:20
2/11: ELT @ 3:20
2/12: Attendance Review Board @ 2:00
2/12: Conferences-1:30-7:00
2/13: EC CST @ 12:30



Tiger Pride Staff Recognition

Spike Jr.

Ms. Dallas nominated Ms. Robbi to receive Spike Jr. for the weeks of January 12-23.



Ms. Robbi's nomination:

I'd like to nominate Elaine Mahana for our staff spotlight. Elaine is one of our custodians, and she brings something truly special to our school community every single day.

What makes Elaine extraordinary isn't just that she keeps our classrooms spotless—though she absolutely does. It's the way she sees her role as so much more than cleaning. Elaine leaves encouraging notes on classroom whiteboards for students to discover. She also hands out tiger tickets to kids throughout our community, recognizing them for kindness, responsibility. Think about what that means: Elaine is actively looking for the good in our students, celebrating them, and making them feel seen and valued.

Here's why this matters so much: Elaine has chosen to step into relationship with our kids. She's teaching them that every adult in this building cares about them, that every role in our school is about serving students and helping them thrive. She's building connections and showing kids that they matter—not just to their teachers, but to everyone who works here. That builds school culture in a way that makes our community strong.

Elaine goes above and beyond not because it's in her job description, but because she genuinely loves our students and community.



Congratulations to all of our January Tiger Pride ROAR Nominees!

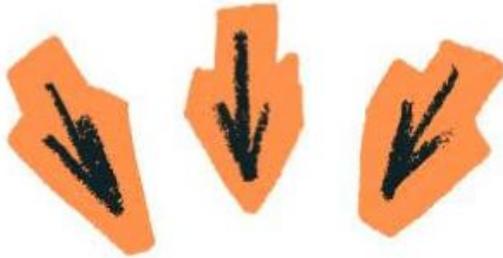
Our character trait this month was “Teamwork”

Student	Teacher	January Character Trait: Teamwork
Berkley Sonnenstahl	Ms. Dallas	
Adley Loge	Mrs. Travis	
Rose Allen	Ms. Aimee	
Clara Wheeler	Mrs. Hicks	
Saylor Brogle	Mrs. Jordan	
Steffen Lindstam	Mrs. Kamholz	
Declan Kline-Krecklau	Mr. Ackerman	
Levi Wiese	Mrs. Kralovetz	
Oliver Swenson	Mrs. Norman	
Jordan Ellestad	Mr. Hoffarth	
Austyn Diedrich	Mrs. Palmer	
Paisley Sawyer	Mrs. Rice	
Nola Brickweg	Ms. Robbi	
Lainey Willette	Mrs. Rowell	
Kimber Shepard	Mrs. Vry	
5-6 Grade Level		
Jax Torkelson	Mr. Ackerman	
Destiny Huesmann	Mrs. Freeman	
Markiz Huesmann	Mr. Johnson	
Temperance Ericson	Mrs. Diederich	
Peyton Tymenski	Mr. Dinnel	
Brody Diederich	Mr. Vetsch	
Maverick Steffen	Mrs. Davis	Dennis Hoplin
Savannah Digiovanni	Mrs. Shackle	
Reagan Schrupp	Ms. Arnold	Oliver Swensen
Cora Steinert	Mrs. Sether	Beau Zollner
	Mr. Morse	
Blair Wood	Mr. Casperson	Brody Brogle
Ella Swenson, Natalee Ackerman	Mrs. Benson	Willa Sawyer & Bryce Burgoyne
Lyric Henderson	Ms. Determan	
Eliana Current	Ms. Kardell	Raymond Peterson
Brielle Scott	Mrs. Bergem	
Terence Barbarona	Mrs. Dinnel	
Kubli Butcher	Mrs. Humphrey	
Wyatt Schuett	Mr. Lupella	
Charles Witte	Mrs. Odens	
Chase Leyk	Mrs. Wheeler	
Lincoln Mitchell	Mrs. Loge	



ELEMENTARY ENROLLMENT

Early Childhood	
Kids Together	21
School Readiness	47
Headstart	16
	84
Kindergarten	
Dallas	17
Travis	19
Wilson	18
	54
Grade 1	
Hicks	18
Jordan	17
Kamholz	20
	55
Grade 2	
Ackerman	17
Kralovetz	18
Norman	18
	53
Grade 3	
Hoffarth	18
Palmer	21
Rice	19
	58
Grade 4	
Gregory	18
Rowell	20
Vry	18
	56
Grade 5	
Ackerman	20
Freeman	18
Johnson	19
	57
Grade 6	
Diederich	28
Dinnel	28
Vetsch	28
	80
TOTAL	413
TOTAL WITH EARLY CHILDHOOD	497



Rescheduled:

**Thursday,
February 5th**

Ties and Tiaras

*Winter
Wonderland*

Daddy-Daughter Dance

Friday, January 23rd

5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

PR-B Performance Gym (Door 17)

Little princesses (12 and younger) are invited to bring their favorite male role model for a night of special memories at our fifth annual Daddy-Daughter Dance! Games, dancing, light refreshments, tattoos, face painting, photo opportunities, and more will be available!

Money raised will be used for the 5th grade field trip to the Twins game

\$20 per couple (\$5 for each additional princess)
(Registration due January 16th)

SIGN UP ONLINE THROUGH INFINITE CAMPUS

Contact our local flower shop to order flowers/corsage for your little princess!
Sherwood Florist and Garden Center - (218) 587-2802





Felthous, Cindy <cfelthous@prbschools.org>

Board report

1 message

Charity Crannell <ccrannell@prbschools.org>
To: Cindy Felthous <cfelthous@prbschools.org>

Tue, Jan 27, 2026 at 1:17 PM

Hello-- Here's my board report:

Sorry nothing new to report other than it's been super cold. Buses and drivers have been doing a fantastic job keeping on time and getting our students to school and home. thank you

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Thank You

Charity Crannell
PRB Transportation
(218)587-2026

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Pine River-Backus
PUBLIC SCHOOLS - PINE RIVER, MN

January 27, 2026
School Board Report

Minnesota Paid Family and Medical Leave: To date, two employees are on 12 weeks of leave through the new Minnesota Paid Leave program. Five others have requested information and have stated their intent to apply.

W2 processing: Electronic W2's were released January 20 and paper copies (to those that don't submit to the electronic version) were mailed January 23.

1095C processing: I am currently preparing employee 1095-C (Affordable Care Act) forms and completing the required IRS file submission.

Cindy Felthous
Human Resource Director

February 2026,

Getting ready for the Back to Basics event on February 7th. We are providing the food again this year. A lot of work goes into this event. Proud of my staff for the work they have done to make this a success every year.

The Commodity Expo is in St. Cloud on February 4th. I plan on sending my Head Cook. This event can help with decisions on spending entitlement and is nice to visit with other School Foodservice Professionals.

The rest of my serving line is scheduled to arrive the first week in February.

Respectfully,

Jilline Blanchard



**Director of Buildings and Grounds
James Leuer**

Board Meeting February 2,2026

Mr. Clark and school board members,

Thank you for your time in providing you an update in the Buildings and Grounds department.

- 1. Jolene will be working on the schedule for contractors for summer projects, once that is set I'll follow to make sure they are on task and on time.**
- 2. We don't have a preventive maintenance program and won't be purchasing one so I will spend time creating something on every piece of equipment in google docs and send it out on a schedule. It is showing right now that our repairs are sky rocketing which a program would help maybe cut that in half.**
- 3. We are still struggling with a constant flow of staff working days and nights on a regular basis. This really affects operations with maintenance and cleaning. We just can't get it stabilized.**

Things taking place -

We have Happy Dancing Turtles on February 7th next month.

Positive note,

Elaine Mahana was nominated for the Tiger Jr. award for everything she does and helps with the ES staff cleaning and positive attitude. Well deserved award.

Again, Thank you for your time

Jim Leuer

Board report: Technology

The following projects have been the focus of the technology department in January:

- Door sign update project completed with Custodial: the project was to replace the green classroom door signs in the high school with the orange and black ones Karl started in the Great Hall when he was here. Now all HS signs match the orange/black. Elementary will likely follow next year.
- Custodial work tracking and safety checklists: Created a series of digital tools for the maintenance folks to track work orders and complete required safety checks digitally with an eye towards efficiency.
- Device replacement: Purchased chromebooks for next year's students and many replacement laptops for teachers (originally purchased during COVID). Due to ongoing component shortages, prices have been climbing steeply which is why we're buying early this year. Upon arrival, each unit will have to be setup with the district's programs, network, etc which will take most of February with that many units.
- Working on first steps for HS scheduling for new-year including course changes, documentation, and Campus settings. Will continue into February with registration happening in March as always. This is the first year for the new counselor to get used to the system.
- Worked with the high school on developing reports to track data captured by the new hall pass system in order to better support students and teachers. Looking at nature of passes, abusers, as well as things like how long they were off campus at lunch.
- Working with the Robotics team on various items related to the all-conference robotics scrimmage that will be held at PRB in February. With many teams attending, there are a lot of planning and prep items that need to take place. (Saturday session is open to the public for viewing)
- Working with folks at Happy Dancing Turtle to ensure technology is ready for their Back 2 Basics annual event. We have to ensure that all the various presenters and class instructors have access to all their materials along with A/V needs.
- Working with Laura the library clerk through a large library project at the high school to standardize barcodes which involves a lot of unshelving, updates in the library system, new labels and protective coverings, reshelving, etc.
- Continued device repair and event support.

Kevin Furst

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Community Ed & Cub Care

Cub Care

- Programming for Summer Cub Care
 - Partnering with Happy Dancing Turtle and the Library to plan some fun events/field trips!

January Classes Recap

- Adult Volleyball started - 25-30 attendees/week
- Boundary Waters Class - 2 attendees
- Candlelight Yoga - 4 registered but was rescheduled due to freezing cold weather
- Hoop Group started - 39 attendees
- Daily Hall-Walking - 14 registered

Upcoming in February

Adult Classes

- Coffee & Cocktail Mixology
- Candlelight Yoga
- Introduction to AI
- Intermediate AI
- Beaded Suncatcher
- Hot Pot Night

Youth Classes

- Hoop Group continues
- Valentine's Day Cards
- Tiger Cubs Cheerleading
- K-Pop Demon Hunters Dance Academy
- K-Pop Demon Hunters Dance Party

Back to Basics - February 6th

- We will have a table set up at the vendor fair!

Trouble in Tumbleweed Community Play

- Auditions - February 23rd and 24th



Pine River-Backus

PUBLIC SCHOOLS - PINE RIVER, MN

TEACHING & LEARNING UPDATE 2/2/2026

1. ADSIS - our mid year report is due Feb 13th so we are meeting as a team to gather all the needed data to submit this to the state.
2. AIEP - Concurrence - You will hear more about this at the meeting.
3. Assessment -
 - a. NAEP testing is complete
 - b. Winter Screening is done and student who measured High Risk now get screened with Capti
 - c. MCA training information was sent out to teachers and I am in the process of getting everything ready for testing
4. Career Pathways - We have been moving along with our goals. If you take a look in the halls you will see each staff member has a sign on their door encouraging students to “Ask me about my path”. Our goal with this is to encourage conversations that will help students to not only “plan to graduate, but graduate with a plan”.
5. ElevatePD - we have a meeting coming up on Feb 10th but no current projects.
6. HRS - Summit was amazing!! Our team is excited to share with you on March 16th.



7. PD -
 - a. Paraprofessional Structured Literacy - three of four sessions complete. Last session will meet March 20th
 - b. January 19th was our Wellness Day for teachers.





We had everything from outdoor hiking, silent book club, to CPR training!

8. Standards & Curriculum -both Social Studies and Math Committees have met since the last time I shared information with you.
 - a. Math - We talked about the difference between “math student” and “21st Century workforce skills” and how this ties into our teaching of math. We also really dug into Math Practice #1 - “Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them” and how to integrate this into teaching.
 - b. Social Studies - A discussion in our work on Social Studies standards has been on the shifts that have been made. Throughout these shifts, one of the things that has become a focus is a shift to student inquiry. So, rather than having a simple “I can” statement, Teachers will be coming up with compelling questions for their bundles of benchmarks.

INQUIRY DESIGN MODEL BLUEPRINT (MODIFIED FROM C3 TEACHERS)

Inquiry Design Model (IDM) Unit Plan
Grade Level

Compelling Question			
Staging the Question			
Benchmark	Benchmark	Benchmark	Benchmark
Supporting Question	Supporting Question	Supporting Question	Supporting Question
Formative Performance Task(s)	Formative Performance Task(s)	Formative Performance Task(s)	Formative Performance Task(s)
Featured Source(s)	Featured Source(s)	Featured Source(s)	Featured Source(s)
A:	A:	A:	A:
B:	B:	B:	B:
Summative Performance Task	Argument:		
	Extension:		
Taking Informed Action	Understand:		
	Assess:		
	Act:		

← **Compelling**

← **Supporting**

← **Formative**

← **Primary & Secondary**

← **Summative**





Tiger Activities Update – January 2026

Winter activities are well underway, and our student-athletes and coaches continue to demonstrate strong commitment and enthusiasm across all programs. As the season has progressed, teams have settled into consistent routines with practices and competitions running smoothly. Our coaches and students have handled the demands of the winter schedule well, showing growth, resilience, and positive representation of PRB. I appreciate the continued effort of our coaching staff, student-athletes, and families as we move through one of the busiest times of the year, and our winter programs remain well organized and on track for a successful season.

Girls Basketball- Head Coach Tucker Sheley

The girls basketball team has put together an outstanding season to this point. Currently, the Tigers hold a 16–1 overall record, including a 9–1 section record and a perfect 9–0 mark in conference play. This group has consistently demonstrated strong defensive intensity, balanced scoring, and a high level of execution, while responding well to the expectations set by the coaching staff.

The season has also included several notable individual accomplishments. Mimi Bueckers and Sawyer Tulenchik both surpassed the 1,000-point career milestone in the same game against Blackduck, a rare and impressive achievement. Additionally, Ella Brewer set the PRB girls' single-game three-point record, shooting 10-of-11 from beyond the arc against Cass Lake.

Boys Basketball- Head Coach Micah Eveland

The boys basketball team has made significant progress as the season has unfolded. The Tigers currently hold a 9–3 overall record, including a 5–1 mark in both section and conference play. The team is currently ranked second on its side of the section and holds the second-highest QRF score in the entire section, reflecting consistent performance against quality opponents.

This group has competed well against higher-class programs, earning multiple wins over AA schools while remaining competitive in additional close contests. Individual achievements have also highlighted the season, as Isaiah Aulie surpassed the 1,000-point career scoring milestone in the game against Laporte and is on pace to finish among the top all-time scorers in PRB boys basketball history. Additionally, Isaiah Downie has recorded three 30-plus-point performances this season, including a career-high 34 points against Pillager.

Wrestling- Head Coach Justin Franke

The wrestling season is in full swing, and the Roadcrew currently hold a 9–10 overall record.

Individual performances have been a highlight, with Parker Zutter posting an impressive 33–3 record and currently ranked #3 in Class AA at 145 pounds, while Trevor Holmberg is 24–7 and ranked #7 AA at 152 pounds. Our program benefits from strong depth, with several wrestlers from both PRB and PQL contributing and providing flexibility in the lineup. Many of our athletes are showing significant improvement compared to last year, reflecting hard work and dedication in practice and competition. After finishing last season with an 11–20 dual record, the team is on track to finish with a winning record.

Robotics- Head Coach Mike Shetka

The PRB Robotics program continues to provide students with hands-on experience in engineering, programming, and teamwork. On February 21st, we will host Zero Week, a full-day event featuring robot testing, practice, scrimmages and mentor meetings. This event offers students the chance to develop skills, collaborate with other teams, and gain competition experience in a supportive environment.

Speech- Head Coach Courtney Benson

The PRB Speech team had a very successful first tournament at Pequot last weekend. Individual results included Sophie Lupella placing 4th in Honor Finals, Eleanor Pederson placing 5th, LeeAnn Wynn placing 4th, Morgan King earning 2nd place, and Maddy Skjerven earning a red ribbon.

Knowledge Bowl- Head Coach Greg Gentry

This year, the PRB Knowledge Bowl program has 21 students participating, an increase from recent years. The team has had a strong start to the season, taking first place in both of the initial meets. In addition, other teams have performed well, with multiple top-five finishes and ribbon awards.

Upcoming Performances

5–12 Band Concert: Monday, February 23rd –7:00 PM

5–12 Choir Concert: Monday, March 9th – 6:30 PM

For questions regarding any of the programs or activities listed above, please feel free to reach out.

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Activities Director

Pine River-Backus Schools

2025-26 SCHOOL YEAR
ENROLLMENT REPORT

	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>9/1/2025</u>	<u>10/1/2025</u>	<u>11/1/2025</u>	<u>12/1/2025</u>	<u>1/1/2026</u>	<u>2/1/2026</u>	<u>3/1/2026</u>	<u>4/1/2026</u>	<u>5/1/2026</u>	<u>6/1/2026</u>	2025-26 YTD Average
ELEMENTARY:												
Kindergarten	62	57	55	54	55	55	54					55
First	48	57	55	55	55	55	55					55
Second	63	51	53	53	54	54	53					53
Third	58	58	58	58	58	58	58					58
Fourth	57	57	57	57	57	56	56					57
Fifth	78	59	58	57	57	57	57					58
Sixth	50	82	83	81	80	80	81					81
Total Elementary	416	421	419	415	416	415	414	0	0	0	0	417
HIGH SCHOOL:												
Seventh	71	52	51	51	51	51	51					51
Eighth	57	71	71	71	70	69	69					70
Ninth	71	57	56	55	55	54	56					56
Tenth	57	71	71	71	71	71	70					71
Eleventh	61	50	50	49	49	48	49					49
Twelfth	57	59	58	58	58	58	58					58
Total High School	374	360	357	355	354	351	353	0	0	0	0	355
Total w/o FT ALC	790	781	776	770	770	766	767	0	0	0	0	774
ALP: Grade levels based on credits earned, not age												
Ninth	3	0	3	4	5	5	5					4
Tenth	13	0	11	11	11	12	13					10
Eleventh	12	0	12	12	12	12	12					10
Twelfth (includes 12th +)	20	0	16	16	17	17	18					14
Total Full-time ALP	48	0	42	43	45	46	48	0	0	0	0	37
DISTRICT TOTAL	838	781	818	813	815	812	815	0	0	0	0	812
<u>PUPIL UNITS:</u>												
ECSE	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0
Kindergarten	62.0	57.0	55.0	54.0	55.0	55.0	54.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	55.0
Elementary 1-3	169.0	166.0	166.0	166.0	167.0	167.0	166.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	166.3
Elementary 4-6	185.0	198.0	198.0	195.0	194.0	193.0	194.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	195.3
Secondary	448.8	432.0	428.4	426.0	424.8	421.2	423.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	426.0
ALP	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Pupil Units	880.8	869.0	863.4	857.0	856.8	852.2	853.6	16.0	16.0	16.0	16.0	858.7

ADM ALP (full and part-time) is included in last year's data and budget data but the ALC is budgeted based on total average daily membership and attendance. In addition, the full-time ALP is not included in the pupil units section because it would not reflect an accurate picture of the ALP pupil units due to the nature of the program.

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		80637	78907	Check	1	106031		RUMBLE ON THE RED	Yes	No	No	01/19/2026	650.00
		80619	78908	Check	1	102523		VEITH, TONY	Yes	No	No	01/19/2026	165.00
		80644	78909	Check	1	03175		NATIONAL INSURANCE SERVICES	Yes	No	No	01/20/2026	597.49

PINE RIVER BACKUS SCHOOLS

Check Register by Bank and Check

Check Number: 78792-2147483647 Payment Date: 7/1/2025-1/31/2026 Period: 0-99999999

Batch	Bank	Pymt No	Check No	Pay Type	Grp	Code	Rcd	Vendor	Print	Recon	Void	Pmt/Void Date	Amount
	CHEC	80645	78910	Check	1	104817		Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Yes	No	No	01/20/2026	836.19
		80647	78911	Check	1	40800		IND SCHOOL DIST #186	Yes	No	No	01/22/2026	48.00
		80655	78912	Check	1	104254		ACKERMAN, NICK	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	18.79
		80672	78913	Check	1	106034		BROBERG, JOHN	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	150.00
		80667	78914	Check	1	105875		CASS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPT	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	1,366.47
		80649	78915	Check	1	01119		CLIMATE MAKERS	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	5,350.39
		80670	78916	Check	1	105968		COORDINATED BUSINESS SYSTEMS	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	162.85
		80669	78917	Check	1	105957		CROCKER, KYLE	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	27.96
		80648	78918	Check	1	00418		DACOTAH PAPER CO	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	986.04
		80664	78919	Check	1	105622		GENTRY, GREG	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	157.80
		80660	78920	Check	1	104949		HALVERSON, CHRIS	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	67.31
		80662	78921	Check	1	105560		HAMP, TERESA	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	78.76
		80654	78922	Check	1	102806		HANDYMANS HARDWARE	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	1,927.26
		80677	78923	Check	1	106039		HOOK AND LOOP .COM	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	88.10
		80674	78924	Check	1	106036		HUMPHREY, ALEXIS	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	170.56
		80678	78925	Check	1	40800		IND SCHOOL DIST #186	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	16,284.62
		80666	78926	Check	1	105681		LAPOSKY, MELISSA	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	70.67
		80673	78927	Check	1	106035		LARSEN, AARON	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	150.00
		80671	78928	Check	1	106033		LEOM, DAVID	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	150.00
		80651	78929	Check	1	100780		LINDQUIST, MELANIE	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	295.87
		80679	78930	Check	1	49670		MASSP	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	405.00
		80659	78931	Check	1	104948		MIDWEST BUS PARTS, INC.	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	260.68
		80668	78932	Check	1	105879		MILWAUKEE PRETZEL COMPANY, LL	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	4,790.00
		80680	78933	Check	1	55200		MINNESOTA CLAY COMPANY	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	729.98
		80663	78934	Check	1	105598		NORTH CENTRAL INTERNATIONAL, L	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	472.62
		80650	78935	Check	1	100384		NORTHLAND SEPTIC MAINTENANCE	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	1,620.50
		80681	78936	Check	1	68800		PINE RIVER ELECTRIC INC.	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	14,724.50
		80657	78937	Check	1	104757		QUALITY EQUIPMENT SALES & SERV	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	488.56
		80656	78938	Check	1	104609		RICE, APRIL	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	151.61
		80653	78939	Check	1	101941		SCHRUPP EXCAVATING LLC	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	2,312.50
		80676	78940	Check	1	106038		SHAMP, KALEB	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	17.17
		80652	78941	Check	1	101712		SHETKA, MIKE	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	75.11
		80675	78942	Check	1	106037		STOCKMAN, MOLLY	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	185.26
		80661	78943	Check	1	105494		TOMMYS PAINTING AND STAINING LI	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	75.00
		80658	78944	Check	1	104802		VERSHELDE, KATIE	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	491.23
		80665	78945	Check	1	105666		VETSCH, ERIK	Yes	No	No	01/26/2026	201.50

Bank Total: CHEC

\$291,983.86

Report Total:

\$291,983.86

PINE RIVER-BACKUS SCHOOLS

Investment Report

February 2, 2026

Investments in Local Banks

							<u>Accrued Interest</u>
Pine River State Bank	Pine River, MN	10/11/2025	10/11/2026	12	\$	276,275.09	2.00% \$ 76,275.09
First National Bank of Walker	Backus, MN	7/18/2025	2/18/2025	7	\$	114,602.76	4.10% \$ 15,602.76
						<u>\$ 390,877.85</u>	

MN School District Liquid Asset Fund

<u>Name of Account / Bank</u>	<u>Orig Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Interest To Date</u>
MSDLAF Max & Liquid Class	NA	NA	3,642,873.71	Blended	NA
<i>Total MSDLAF</i>					
			<u>\$ 3,642,873.71</u>		
			<u>\$ -</u>		

Scholarship Funds

<u>Name of Fund</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Good Citizen Scholarship Savings Acct			289.45	0.15%
Marshall Scholarship CD	11/23/2026	13	29,185.83	4.06%
Marshall Savings			5,264.98	0.15%
Alfred Weise Scholarship CD	11/23/2026	13	2,313.22	4.06%
Alfred Weise Scholarship Savings			1,521.55	0.15%
Fillings (Reighard) Scholarship CD	11/23/2026	13	7,066.97	4.06%
Fillings (Reighard) Scholarship Savings Acct			569.72	0.15%
Evelyn W. Berg Savings			5,157.51	0.15%
Sheila Joan Anderson Savings Acct			2,468.07	0.15%
Dennis Heemstra Scholarship CD - FNB	2/18/2026	7	131,787.29	4.10%
Dennis Heemstra Scholarship CD - FNB	2/18/2026	7	116,176.03	4.10%
Dennis Heemstra Scholarship Savings - PRSB			27,286.18	0.50%
PR-B Scholarship CD	10/11/2026	12	11,639.32	2.00%
PR-B Scholarship Savings Acct			45,514.68	0.65%
Evan Lindquist Memorial Scholarship CD	11/23/2026	13	28,285.15	4.06%
Evan Lindquist Memorial Scholarship Savings			4,499.42	0.15%
Earl & Violet Fenton CD	11/23/2026	13	3,261.68	4.06%
Earl & Violet Fenton Savings Acct			507.19	0.15%
<i>Total Pine River State Bank / First National Bank Walker</i>			<u>\$ 422,794.24</u>	

TOTAL INVESTMENTS

\$ 4,456,545.80

Notes & Changes from prior report:

Balances updated per bank statements - PRSB CDs, MSDLAF, QZAB and Scholarships

PINE RIVER BACKUS SCHOOLS
Multi Year Fd, Obj Series

Sequence: Fd, O/S	Description	202407			202507			202607		
		Budget rbud24	Year to Date	%	Budget rbud25	Year to Date	%	Budget pbud26	Year to Date	%
01	General Fund									
	100 Salaries & Wages	7,269,495.00	3,095,267.64	43%	7,198,548.00	3,203,211.63	44%	7,125,189.00	3,378,718.41	47%
	200 Employee Benefits	1,991,357.00	912,670.11	46%	2,087,781.00	1,004,730.01	48%	2,216,808.00	1,096,931.49	49%
	300 Purchased Services	1,509,542.00	743,889.52	49%	1,573,042.00	774,842.70	49%	1,536,406.00	809,655.46	53%
	400 Supplies & Materials	468,415.00	293,950.04	63%	466,515.00	267,673.19	57%	486,150.00	243,441.70	50%
	500 Capital Expenditures	0.00	14,195.99	0%	0.00	32.00	0%	0.00	5,057.94	0%
	800 Other Expenditures	24,565.00	19,940.45	81%	25,493.00	26,934.75	106%	25,493.00	24,345.75	95%
	900 Other Financing Uses	110,000.00	0.00	0%	110,000.00	0.00	0%	110,000.00	0.00	0%
01	General Fund	11,373,374.00	5,079,913.75	45%	11,461,379.00	5,277,424.28	46%	11,500,046.00	5,558,150.75	48%
02	Food Service Fund									
	100 Salaries & Wages	214,847.00	100,218.08	47%	207,993.00	94,254.87	45%	220,683.00	111,682.26	51%
	200 Employee Benefits	60,549.00	28,334.24	47%	54,252.00	25,864.41	48%	55,804.00	28,820.53	52%
	300 Purchased Services	21,645.00	10,112.39	47%	19,645.00	9,442.90	48%	19,645.00	6,943.73	35%
	400 Supplies & Materials	360,300.00	163,515.02	45%	345,700.00	153,410.84	44%	345,700.00	153,803.29	44%
	500 Capital Expenditures	70,000.00	17,476.04	25%	20,000.00	19,599.77	98%	20,000.00	78,370.50	392%
	800 Other Expenditures	2,500.00	2,292.90	92%	2,500.00	2,286.30	91%	2,500.00	3,631.54	145%
02	Food Service Fund	729,841.00	321,948.67	44%	650,090.00	304,859.09	47%	664,332.00	383,251.85	58%
03	Transportation Fund									
	100 Salaries & Wages	469,564.00	212,065.90	45%	515,110.00	226,334.26	44%	515,110.00	231,092.41	45%
	200 Employee Benefits	84,290.00	40,226.92	48%	90,701.00	45,561.94	50%	91,762.00	46,238.72	50%
	300 Purchased Services	21,738.00	47,898.70	220%	15,905.00	35,654.12	224%	19,658.00	35,026.48	178%
	400 Supplies & Materials	186,000.00	82,465.90	44%	186,000.00	66,071.03	36%	186,000.00	59,169.18	32%
	500 Capital Expenditures	130,000.00	77,125.00	59%	161,639.00	0.00	0%	175,000.00	172,765.74	99%
	800 Other Expenditures	5,150.00	5,150.00	100%	5,209.00	5,209.25	100%	5,209.00	5,150.00	99%
03	Transportation Fund	896,742.00	464,932.42	52%	974,564.00	378,830.60	39%	992,739.00	549,442.53	55%
04	Community Service									
	100 Salaries & Wages	291,323.00	119,936.76	41%	270,597.00	112,761.73	42%	271,033.00	136,317.53	50%
	200 Employee Benefits	93,307.00	41,058.41	44%	102,119.00	52,777.31	52%	90,305.00	43,016.12	48%
	300 Purchased Services	51,385.00	12,964.08	25%	80,662.00	28,180.34	35%	80,662.00	50,067.30	62%
	400 Supplies & Materials	13,100.00	7,724.75	59%	12,100.00	7,852.60	65%	12,100.00	7,132.68	59%

PINE RIVER BACKUS SCHOOLS Multi Year Fd, Obj Series

Sequence: Fd, O/S	202407			202507			202607		
Description	Budget rbud24	Year to Date	%	Budget rbud25	Year to Date	%	Budget pbud26	Year to Date	%
04 Community Service									
800 Other Expenditures	700.00	935.00	134%	1,935.00	935.00	48%	1,935.00	963.00	50%
04 Community Service	449,815.00	182,619.00	41%	467,413.00	202,506.98	43%	456,035.00	237,496.63	52%
05 Capital Expenditure									
300 Purchased Services	488,180.00	426,846.24	87%	84,830.00	61,781.19	73%	86,220.00	122,877.74	143%
400 Supplies & Materials	79,100.00	2,280.99	3%	80,100.00	22,182.11	28%	80,100.00	11,483.18	14%
500 Capital Expenditures	1,392,383.00	1,428,571.26	103%	324,326.00	319,117.14	98%	212,239.00	193,403.57	91%
05 Capital Expenditure	1,959,663.00	1,857,698.49	95%	489,256.00	403,080.44	82%	378,559.00	327,764.49	87%
07 Debt Redemption Fund									
700 Debt Service	531,801.00	531,718.09	100%	1,431,226.00	534,183.04	37%	492,105.00	493,005.00	100%
07 Debt Redemption Fund	531,801.00	531,718.09	100%	1,431,226.00	534,183.04	37%	492,105.00	493,005.00	100%
08 Scholarship									
800 Other Expenditures	73,800.00	59,200.00	80%	64,450.00	54,000.00	84%	64,350.00	28,750.00	45%
08 Scholarship	73,800.00	59,200.00	80%	64,450.00	54,000.00	84%	64,350.00	28,750.00	45%
20 Student Activity Fund									
400 Supplies & Materials	151,898.71	52,549.37	35%	172,277.84	94,667.68	55%	145,641.75	51,207.83	35%
20 Student Activity Fund	151,898.71	52,549.37	35%	172,277.84	94,667.68	55%	145,641.75	51,207.83	35%
Report Totals:	16,166,934.71	8,550,579.79	53%	15,710,655.84	7,249,552.11	46%	14,693,807.75	7,629,069.08	52%

PINE RIVER BACKUS SCHOOLS
Payment Reg by Bank and Check

Bank	Batch	Pmt No	Check No	Pay Type	Grp Code	Rcd	Vendor	Tax Class	Print	Recon	Pay/Void		Amount
											Void	Date	
CHEC		80502		Wire	1	105351	MEDICA		No	No	No	01/05/2026	86,784.74
CHEC		80515		Wire	1	105548	FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE INSURANCE		No	No	No	01/02/2026	176.55
CHEC		80516		Wire	1	105867	Health Equity		No	No	No	12/30/2025	7,166.99
CHEC		80517		Wire	1	104651	PEPSI BEVERAGES COMPANY		No	No	No	01/06/2026	2,090.70
CHEC		80556		Wire	1	105712	ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES		No	No	No	01/12/2026	12,789.71
CHEC		80598		Wire	1	105867	Health Equity		No	No	No	01/14/2026	8,803.34
CHEC		80603		Wire	1	102302	PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIRE ASSOC		No	No	No	01/14/2026	30,217.26
CHEC		80604		Wire	1	102303	STATE OF MN TAX WITHHOLDING		No	No	No	01/14/2026	23,388.78
CHEC		80605		Wire	1	102304	US GOVT TAX WITHHOLDING		No	No	No	01/14/2026	146,929.74
CHEC		80606		Wire	1	103410	MINNESOTA REVENUE		No	No	No	01/14/2026	1,237.91
CHEC		80607		Wire	1	104996	Minnesota State Retirement System		No	No	No	01/14/2026	550.00
CHEC		80608		Wire	1	105150	AVIBEN		No	No	No	01/14/2026	15,357.79
CHEC		80609		Wire	1	83400	MN TEACHERS RETIREMENT ASSOC		No	No	No	01/14/2026	86,265.45
Bank Total:												\$421,758.96	
Report Total:												\$421,758.96	

FEDERAL FUNDS UPDATE - Allocation, Budget, Spending 1/27/2026

FEDERAL TITLE FUNDS:

State Fiscal Year	Finance Code	Description	Funds Available	Funds Budgeted	Balance Unbudgeted	YTD SPENT 2025-2026	Carry Forward to FY2027	Application Status	Budget Status	Proposed Use of Funds
2026	401	Formula - 401 - SFY 2026, Title I, Part A: Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged	\$319,321.90	\$319,321.90	\$0.00	\$177,546.63	\$141,775.27	Application Submitted 6/30/2025	Revised Application Approved 10/10/2025, Amendment Approved 12/23/2025	3.0 fte Title I Teachers - Elementary
										\$193,337.62 Title I Salary
										\$99,145.00 Title I Benefits
										\$9,600.00 Title I Fees for Services
										\$10,671.44 Title I Supplies/Materials
										\$6,567.84 Title I Indirect Admin Costs
2026	414	Formula - 414 - SFY 2026, Title II, Part A: Teacher and Principal Training and Recruitment	\$61,376.42	\$61,376.42	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$61,376.42	Application Submitted 8/25/2025	Application Approved 10/10/2025, Amendment Approved 12/23/2025	0.4 FTE Director of Teaching & Learning as Professional Development
										\$49,405.42 Title I Salary
										\$11,971.00 Title I Benefits
2026	433	Formula - 433 - SFY 2026, Title IV, Part A, Student Support and Academic Enrichment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	No Application Needed	N/A	All Title IV Funds transferred to Title II (414). No FY2026 application in Title IV.
FEDERAL TITLE FUNDS TOTAL			\$380,698.32	\$380,698.32	\$0.00	\$177,546.63	\$203,151.69			

Resolution Accepting Monetary Awards and Donations

Be it resolved by the School Board of Independent School District No 2174 that we hereby acknowledge and accept the following monetary awards and donations received in January 2026:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Pine River American Legion	\$100.00	ALP Rewards Program
Glenn Family Charitable Fund	\$5,000.00	HELP Fund

Preliminary Roster

Pine River-Backus Schools No. 2174 Teacher Seniority List

This list is intended to reflect the first day of the most recent continuous service in the district and licensure as of **January 15, 2026**.

Time off for leave of any kind authorized by the school district shall not be deemed to be a break in continuous service.

Expiration refers to licensure expiration. A license expires June 30 in the year indicated.

It is the responsibility of the teacher to inform and notify the school district office of an error in the posting of any licensure.

Rank	File Folder	Tier	Name	First Day of Service	Current Certification	Expires
1	292515	4	Susan Peet	8/30/1989	Elementary Education 1-6 Emotional Behavior Disorders K-12 Learning Disabilities K-12 Principal K-12 District Superintendent	2027 2027 2027 2027 2027
2	323411	4	Heidi Envall	8/29/1990	Visual Arts K-12	2027
3	322473	4	Thomas Demars	8/28/1991	Mathematics 7-12 Coaching 7-12	2028 2028
4	377588	4	Tena Odens	8/31/1999	Elementary Education 1-6 Learning Disabilities K-12 Emotional Behavior Disorders K-12	2027 2027 2027
5	378786	4	Gregg Ehlert	8/31/1999	Physical Education K-12 Health Education 5-12	2027 2027
6	367500	4	Melanie Lindquist	8/29/2000	French K-12 Reading K-12	2030 2030
7	388240	4	Isaak Anderson	8/29/2000	Social Studies 7-12	2029
8	387304	4	Janice Oakley	8/29/2000	Mathematics 7-12	2026
9	421450	4	Robert Johnson	1/17/2007	Elementary Education (1-6)	2026
10	299434	4	Michelle Holden	8/28/2007	Elementary Education K-6 Pre-Primary Age 3-PreK	2026 2026
11	426825	4	Travis Hoffarth	8/28/2007	Elementary Education K-6 Social Studies 5-8	2027 2027
12	432851	4	Holly Rowell	8/28/2007	Elementary Education K-6 Pre-Primary Age 3-PreK	2028 2028

13	382278	4	Dallas Bartholomew-Ruud	3/23/2009	Elementary Education K-6	2027
14	420283	4	Stephanie Dinnel	8/31/2009	Learning Disabilities K-12	2026
15	397440	4	Jenny Sether	8/31/2009	Elementary Education K-6	2029
16	437707	4	Pamela Adkins	10/20/2009	Elementary Education K-6 Learning Disabilities K-12 Emotional Behavior Disorders K-12 Cross Curricular Delivery Permission (Waiver)	2026 2026 2026 2026
17	447912	4	Erica Norman	8/30/2010	Early Childhood Special Education Early Childhood Educ B-Grade 3	2030 2030
18	452173	4	Michael Dinnel	8/30/2010	Elementary Education K-6 Social Studies 5-12	2026 2026
19	452851	4	Rebecca Shackle	8/30/2010	Elementary Education K-6 Communication Arts/Literature 5-8 Pre-Primary Age 3-PreK	2026 2026 2026
20	414783	4	Lisa Toft	8/30/2010	Social Studies 5-12 Learning Disabilities K-12 Family and Consumer Science (OFP)	2028 2028 2026
21	416238	4	Tiffany Bergem	8/28/2012	Elementary Education K-6 Learning Disabilities K-12 Emotional Behavior Disorders K-12 Pre-Primary Age 3-PreK Autism Spectrum Disorder K-12 Developmental Disabilities	2029 2029 2029 2029 2029 2029
22	445285	4	Shari Kamholz	10/22/2012	Early Childhood Educ B-Grade 3	2030
23	471991	4	Steffanie Arneson	1/21/2013	Elementary Education K-6 Mathematics 5-8	2029 2029
24	480057	4	Rachel Wheeler	7/1/2014	Early Childhood Special Education Early Childhood Educ B-Grade 3	2030 2030
25	408042	4	Joshua Hirschey	8/26/2014	Social Studies 5-12	2029
26	475938	4	April Rice	8/26/2014	Elementary Education K-6	2030
27	447425	4	Benjamin Kinser	8/26/2014	Instrumental and Classroom Music K-12	2026
28	459051	4	Nicosia Danielowski	12/1/2014	Communication Arts/Literature 5-12	2027
29	351345	4	Rhonda Sawyer	8/31/2015	Elementary Education 1-6 Learning Disabilities K-12 Emotional Behavior Disorders K-12 Early Childhood Special Education	2026 2026 2026 2026
30	460604	4	Cammey Diederich	8/31/2015	Elementary Education K-6	2027

31	369983	4	Jenny Travis	8/31/2015	Elementary Education K-6	2027
32	428845	4	Leah Freeman	8/31/2015	Elementary Education K-6 Communication Arts/Literature 5-8	2027 2027
33	489380	4	Randi Norman	8/31/2015	Communication Arts/Literature 5-12 Teacher/Coor Work Based Lrn 9-12 Reading K-12 Family/Consumer Science (OFF) Life Science 9-12 (OFF)	2027 2027 2027 2026 2026
34	452152	4	Robbi Gregory	8/31/2015	Elementary Education K-6 Reading K-12	2027 2027
35	428617	4	Molly Hoffarth	8/31/2015	Early Childhood Educ PreK-Gd 3	2027
36	397192	4	Michael Lupella	8/29/2016	Elementary Education 1-6 Learning Disabilities K-12 Emotional Behavior Disorders K-12 Driver and Traffic Safety 9-12	2026 2026 2026 2026
37	488046	4	Shianna Hicks	8/29/2016	Elementary Education K-6	2026
38	497392	3	Aimee Wilson	8/29/2016	Elementary Education K-6	2026
39	388635	4	Christian Halverson	8/1/2017	Social Studies 7-12 District Superintendent Principal K-12	2028 2028 2028
40	486828	4	Elise Malecha	8/28/2017	Elementary Education K-6 Science 5-8	2026 2026
41	483084	4	Mackenzie Determan	8/28/2017	Speech-Lang Pathologist PreK-12	2030
42	481496	4	Jordan Ackerman	8/27/2018	Elementary Education K-6	2030
43	501124	4	Katie Verschelde	8/27/2018	Science 5-8 Life Science 9-12 Chemistry 9-12	2030 2030 2030
44	466817	4	Jamie Rugroden	8/27/2019	Physical Education K-12 Developmental/Adaptive PE Teacher/Coor Work Based Lrn 9-12 Learning Disabilities K-12 (OFF)	2028 2028 2028 2026
45	388183	4	Katherine Davis	8/27/2019	Vocal and Classroom Music K-12	2029
46	425261	4	Lianna Vry	10/27/2019	Elementary Education K-6 Pre-Primary Age 3-PreK	2026 2026
47	423229	4	Anjanette Arnold	8/24/2020	Reading K-12 English as a Second Lang K-12	2026 2026
48	500884	4	Alexis Humphrey	8/24/2020	Elementary Education K-6 Learning Disabilities K-12 Early Childhood Special Education	2028 2028 2028
49	512247	4	Teresa Hamp	8/10/2021	Vocal and Classroom Music K-12	2029

50	395309	4	Rachel LeFavor	8/10/2021	Pre-Kindergarten Elementary Education K-6 Reading K-12 Principal K-12	2027 2027 2027 2029
51	370608	4	Mike Young	8/10/2021	Elementary Education 1-6 Learning Disabilities K-12 Emotional Behavior Disorders K-12	2027 2027 2027
52	508373	4	Nathan Fischer	8/10/2021	Social Studies 5-12	2028
53	502520	4	Suzanne Cramer	8/10/2021	Academic and Behavioral Strategist K-12 Teacher/Coor Work Based Lrn 9-12	2028 2028
54	1006112	4	Matthew Casperson	8/10/2021	Physical Education K-12 Health 5-12	2029 2029
55	1015941	4	Nicholas Ackerman	8/29/2022	Elementary Education K-6	2030
56	1016529	4	Gregory Gentry	8/29/2022	Communication Arts/Literature 5-12	2030
57	509552	4	Ariana Schendel	8/29/2022	Elementary Education K-6	2028
58	1020193	4	Courtney Benson	8/29/2022	Elementary Education K-6	2030
59	516989	3	Erik Vetsch	8/29/2022	Elementary Education K-6	2026
60	510768	3	Mariah Kardell	8/28/2023	Speech-Lang Pathologist PreK-12	2027
61	1011746	3	Kasandra Heisserer	8/28/2023	Communication Arts/Literature 5-12	2026
62	338931	4	Stephanie Koprek	8/28/2023	Emotional Behavior Disorders K-12 Mild to Mod Mentally Hdcp K-12	2030 2030
63	501065	4	Molly Stockman	8/28/2023	Elementary Education K-6 Academic and Behavioral Strategist K-12 (OFF)	2028 2026
64	1010284	4	Rachel Lelwica	8/28/2023	Social Studies 5-12	2028
65	1031808	3	Cade Morse	1/2/2024	Physical Education K-12 Health 5-12 Developmental/Adap PE (OFF)	2027 2027 2026
66	480223	4	Kiersten Kralovetz	8/26/2024	Elementary Education K-6 Pre-Primary Age 3-K	2026 2026
67	1034508	3	Kora Just	8/26/2024	Science 5-8 Life Science 9-12	2027 2027
68	384321	4	John Jacobson	8/26/2024	Social Studies 5-12 Principal K-12	2028 2028
69	454699	4	Joshua Langseth	8/1/2025	Principal K-12 Age 3-PreK Elementary Education K-6	2029 2026 2026
70	1039163	3	Megan Ostendorff	8/25/2025	School Counselor	2028

71	481901	4	Katie Silverberg	8/25/2025	Academic and Behavioral Strategist K-12	2029
72	429276	4	Katherine Palmer	8/25/2025	Social Studies 5-8 Elementary Education K-6	2027 2027
73	1018078	4	Sadie Jordan	8/25/2025	Elementary Education K-6	2030
74	1019794	2	Neil Travis	8/29/2022	Construction Careers 7-12 Teacher/Coor Work Based Lrn 9-12	2027 2027

Preliminary Roster

Pine River-Backus Schools No. 2174 Local 284 Seniority List

This list is intended to reflect the first day of the most recent continuous service of support staff employees of the district. Employees working less than 14 hours per week are not included on the seniority list. Roster reflects staff as of **1/15/2026**.

Time off for leave of any kind authorized by the school district shall not be deemed to be a break in continuous service.

Paraprofessional and Behavior Management Staff

Rank	Name	First Day of Service	Current Position
1	Lori Flategraff	1/19/1989	Paraprofessional
2	Lori Kish	1/14/1997	Paraprofessional
3	Makyla Jorgensen	11/18/2003	Paraprofessional
4	Karla Cunningham	10/19/2010	Paraprofessional
5	Jill Ackerman	8/31/2011	Paraprofessional
6	Kristin Geshwill	10/18/2011	Paraprofessional
7	Kelly Johnson	11/22/2011	Paraprofessional
8	Theresa Richards	8/29/2013	Paraprofessional
9	Jeff Brown	9/3/2015	Paraprofessional
10	Sarah Rugroden	10/8/2015	Paraprofessional
11	Desarae Fuchs	10/8/2015	Paraprofessional
12	Caila Bryant	10/3/2017	Paraprofessional
13	Ashley Smith	9/4/2018	Paraprofessional
14	Sonya Crimmins	8/27/2019	Paraprofessional
15	Tessy Trautman	3/16/2020	Paraprofessional

16	Heather Hulke	9/1/2021	Paraprofessional
17	Gabrielle Schmidt	9/1/2021	Behavior Mgmt
18	Jennifer Krecklau	9/27/2021	Paraprofessional
19	Laura Garcia	12/1/2021	Paraprofessional
20	Mariah Hines	1/23/2023	Paraprofessional
21	Loraine Kunde	8/28/2023	Paraprofessional
22	Melissa Trumble	9/5/2023	Paraprofessional
23	Jamie Dabill	10/16/2023	Paraprofessional
24	Trisha Crawford	1/16/2024	Paraprofessional
25	Ryan Snavely	8/26/2024	Paraprofessional
26	Rishona Ashman	8/26/2024	Paraprofessional
27	Heather McCaustlin	3/12/2025	Paraprofessional
28	Krystle Leikvoll	4/8/2025	Paraprofessional

Custodial/Maintenance Staff

Rank	Name	First Day of Service	Current Position
1	Pam Niskanen	7/25/1994	Maint Worker II
2	James Niskanen	12/19/1995	Maint Worker I
3	Joseph Long	10/16/2012	Maint Worker II
4	Elaine Mahana	11/12/2018	Custodian
5	Holly Wendland	10/2/2023	Custodian
6	Landon (Oscar) Rono	3/24/2025	Custodian
7	Silas Miller	8/20/2025	Custodian

Administrative Assistant Staff

Rank	Name	First Day of Service	Current Position
1	Jan Brasel	5/24/2016	Administrative Asst II
2	Jill Berntsen	8/2/2021	Administrative Asst II
3	Kyann Shamp	8/14/2024	Administrative Asst II
4	Jennifer Deplazes	12/12/2025	Administrative Asst II