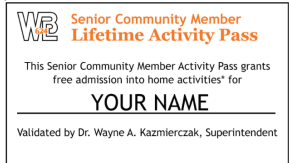




FREE Senior Activity Pass

Senior community members (age 65+) who live in the District are invited to participate in the Senior Activities Pass program and enjoy complimentary admission to school activities.

Find the application on the District's website, isd624.org, or call the Superintendent's Office at 651-407-7563 to request one via mail.



Building Our Future Facilities Process

The facilities projects that were approved by the community in 2019 are underway, with construction happening at buildings throughout the district.

Those who wish to do so can follow along on the district's facilities process at isd624.org/BuildingOurFuture.

See details and updates on individual projects, as well as presentations about the overall process.



Superintendent's Message

Thank you to our community for your support of our students and staff members during the 2020-21 school year. Please enjoy reading about district happenings in this Bear's Update!

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Applauding retirees

Families and staff members recently gathered to honor district employees who retired in 2020 and 2021 with a Retirement "Luncheon on the Lawn." The School Board thanked retirees for a total of more than 2200 years spent contributing to the White Bear community.



Graduations

Members of the Class of 2021 were recently cheered on throughout the district by families, friends and staff members as they received their diplomas. Congratulations, graduates!





White Bear Lake Area Schools

BEAR'S UPDATE

Summer 2021



Find us at Marketfest!

Our school principals, district administrators and School Board members have enjoyed the chance to have to conversations with community members again this summer at Marketfest.

Stop by the district's booth on Thursdays through August 5 in Downtown White Bear Lake to pick up a free pencil and Bear Paw tattoo.

We look forward to seeing you!



Superintendent's Message continued

Well, what a year! Congratulations, everyone, for making it to the finish line! Hopefully this summer provides all of us the opportunity to take a moment to catch our breath and reflect on all that has been accomplished. Although it was a school year filled with the unexpected, our students, families, and staff have persevered and succeeded in a great many ways.

Our students and staff members continued their strong focus on learning, employing the flexibility to do so regardless of learning model. When switches to the learning model happened during the year, our students, staff and families pivoted and made the most of the situation. Those who chose distance learning helped us to launch the

district's new Distance Learning Academy, which will continue to be an option next school year. The agency, creativity, and perseverance shown by all of our students has been remarkable and is certainly worth celebrating.

District initiatives have moved forward, with some of the most visible examples being a number of construction projects that broke ground this year. The projects, approved by district residents in the 2019 Bond Referendum, represent the first phase of our Building Our Future construction plan that will be implemented through the 2024-25 school year. Those who wish to follow along on the district's building journey are invited to do so at isd624.org/BuildingOurFuture.

Guided by and supporting our District Strategic Plan, we now emerge from last school year and transition into the 2021-22 school year. We will continue to promote a welcoming and inclusive culture of

acceptance, understanding, and achievement for all students and families in the district. We remain committed to ensuring that each student has the education and support they need to be successful.

I invite you to stay connected with us. Join White Bear Lake Area Schools' social media circles - Facebook, Twitter and YouTube - for 624 Fact posts and "The Week in 62.4 Seconds" video share-outs. Sign up to receive the district's Community e-Newsletter, sent in alternating text and video editions.

We hope you will connect with us online or in person - perhaps at Marketfest this summer? - as we continue our work together in honoring our legacy and courageously building our future.

Sincerely,
Dr. Wayne Kazmierczak, Superintendent

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