

Viking Elementary Principal Message – February 2026

Thank You to all the students and families who donated items to the food drive to support the Pelican Rapids Food Shelf in December. Viking Elementary students donated nonperishable food items and money to help support the local food shelf. All the items and money were brought to the Pelican Rapids food shelf to help local families. This was a great lesson for students to understand that the holiday season is about giving and how to help their community.

If you are dropping off your student or picking up your student before or after school, please use the parking lot at the south end of Viking Elementary School as the front area is for buses. Also, please be careful and watch out for other adults or students who may be crossing the parking lot.

Parents who have students who will be entering Kindergarten, we ask that you please turn in their registration to the office by the end of February. These registrations are very important as we start planning for the 2026-2027 school year.

Registration is also open for our Club Vikes program for the upcoming summer. Club Vikes will again be open from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm Mondays through Fridays. Details can be found on the [Club Vikes web page](#).

On February 6th Viking Elementary kicked off the Winter Olympics with an opening ceremony. Students participated in a parade that ended in the gym with songs, anthems, and games. Thank you to the Lighthouse team for helping to create a fun kick-off to the Winter Olympics for our students.

We have two opportunities coming up for parents, grandparents, friends, or neighbors to visit Viking Elementary with students. Reading Day will be held on March 5 throughout the day for the different grade levels. Students will be Reading different books or stories that they have written to families and friends.

Numbers in the Neighborhood is back on May 13th for its second year and will again feature a variety of math games and activities that students have learned or played this year at Viking Elementary. Please feel free to stop by March 5th or May 13th for these opportunities for students to display their Reading and Math skills.

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