



**White Bear Lake Area Schools  
School Board Meeting Highlights  
March 2, 2026  
Work Session**

At the March 2, 2026 Meeting of the School Board, the following items were presented:

1. **Student Recognition.** The School Board celebrates the achievements of Girls' Gymnastics Team, Middle School and Elementary Cheerleading Teams DECA Team, and members of the Boys' Swim and Dive Team, Boys' and Girls Wrestling Teams, Boys' and Girls' Alpine Ski Team, Girls' Hockey and MN Scholastic Art Award winners who represented the district at their respective State competitions along with the Varsity Cheer Team who competed at State and National-level tournaments.

See the video [here](#).

2. **Immersion Programming Update.** Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning Dr. Alison Gillespie, Assistant Director of Educational Equity and Achievement Ayan Ibrahim, Matoska International Principal John Leininger and Otter Lake Elementary Principal Ang Nelson provided an update on the Elementary Spanish Dual Immersion Program.

See the presentation [here](#).

3. **Presentation of Presale Report Related to Upcoming Issuance of Facilities Maintenance and Refunding Bonds, Series 2026A.** Assistant Superintendent for Shelby McQuay, Senior Municipal Advisor and Managing Director at Ehlers Public Finance Advisors, presented the presale report for the upcoming sale of Long-Term Facilities Maintenance (LTFM) Bonds issued to fund deferred maintenance projects across its multiple sites.
4. **First Reading of School Board Policies.** The School Board heard the First Reading of School Board Policies:
  - a. 211, Criminal or Civil Action
  - b. 212, School Board Member Development
  - c. 809, Naming of School Buildings or Facilities

At the March 2, 2026 Meeting of the School Board, the following items were acted upon:

1. **Action on 2026-2029 Achievement and Integration Plan.** The School Board approved the 2026-2029 Achievement and Integration Plan, incorporating the suggested modifications, that was presented on February 23, 2026.
2. **Action on 10-Year Long Term Facility Maintenance Plan.** The School Board approved the 10-year Long-Term Facility Maintenance Plan as presented.
3. **Action on Resolution of Intent to Issue General Obligation Facilities Maintenance and Refunding Bonds, Series 2026A.** The School Board approved the Resolution Stating The Intention Of The School District To Issue General Obligation Facilities Maintenance and Refunding Bonds, Series 2026A, In The Maximum Aggregate Principal Amount Of Approximately \$31,750,000; And Taking Other Actions With Respect Thereto.
4. **Action on School Board Policies.** The School Board acted upon the following policies, as recommended by the Policy Committee and Cabinet:
  - a. 101, Legal Status of the School District
  - b. 101.1, Name of the School District
  - c. 103, Complaints - Student, Employees, Parents, Other Persons
  - d. 203.6, Consent Agenda

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