



White Bear Lake Area Schools
School Board Meeting Highlights
April 13, 2026
Regular Meeting

At the April 13, 2026 Regular Meeting of the School Board, the following items were presented:

1. **Student Recognition**. The School Board celebrated our Athena Award winner; Band, Jazz Band, Choir and Orchestra students; and Speech Team members for their state and national-level honors.

See the [April 13, 2026 Student Recognition Video](#).

2. **Graduation Rate and Attendance Rate**. Dr. Alison Gillespie, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, shared an update on our district's recently released graduation rates and provided a closer look at student attendance – including how we measure it and why it matters. We celebrated areas where students are thriving, while also highlighting where we have opportunities to improve. School leaders joined the presentation to share the strategies they are using to support student attendance and engagement, as part of our district's ongoing commitment to helping every student succeed and graduate.

See the [Graduation Rate and Attendance Rate presentation](#).

3. **American Indian Parent Advisory Committee Resolution of Concurrence or Nonconcurrence**. A vote and resolution of concurrence was presented to the School Board by a member of the AIPAC, indicating that the AIPAC finds that the District has been meeting the needs of American Indian students.
4. **Update on Sale of 2026A Facilities Maintenance Bonds**. Shelby McQuay from Ehlers Public Finance Advisors was at the meeting to report on the sale of 2026A Facilities Maintenance Bonds.
5. **First Reading of School Board Policies**. The School Board heard the First Reading of School Board Policies:
 - a. 201, Legal Status of the School Board
 - b. 202, School Board Officers
 - c. 203, Operation of the School Board - Governing Rules
 - d. 214, Out-of-State Travel by School Board Members
 - e. 215, School Board Member Code of Conduct
 - f. 415, Mandated Reporting of Maltreatment of Vulnerable Adults
 - g. 712, Video Recording Other Than on Buses

At the April 13, 2026 Regular Meeting of the School Board, the following items were acted upon:

1. **Action to Ratify Award of 2026A Facility Maintenance Bonds.** The School Board approved the sale of the 2026A General Obligation Facility Maintenance Bonds as presented.
2. **Action on Fiscal Year 2024-25 Federal Single Audit.** The School Board accepted the fiscal year 2024-25 federal single audit as presented.
3. **Action on Amendments to Drainage and Utility Easements.** The School Board approved the described Amendment to Drainage and Utility Easement No. 725010 and the Amendment to Drainage and Utility Easement No. 725011.
4. **Action on School Board Policies.** The School Board acted upon the following policies, as recommended by the Policy Committee and Cabinet:
 - a. 211, Criminal or Civil Action
 - b. 212, School Board Member Development
5. **Action on School Board Policy 599, Academic Recognition.** The School Board did not approve the following policy:
 - a. 599, Academic Recognition

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