



White Bear Lake Area Schools  
School Board Meeting Highlights  
May 18, 2026  
Work Session

At the May 18, 2026 Work Session of the School Board, the following items were presented:

1. **Recognition of Student Liaisons to the School Board.** The White Bear Lake Area School Board commended and recognized Thomas Reese, 12th grade student, and Lily Johnson, 11th grade student, for their outstanding roles as the 2026-27 Student Representatives on the School Board.
2. **Middle School Activities and Community Recreation Update.** White Bear Lake Area Schools Facilities and Youth Athletics Coordinator Matt Riebow and Recreation Sports Specialist Ashlie Anzel provided an update on winter and spring middle school activities and athletics and spring and summer youth recreation sports opportunities from Community Education & Recreation.

See the [Middle School Activities and Community Recreation Update presentation](#).

3. **Mariner Middle School Update.** Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning Dr. Alison Gillespie and Mariner Middle School Principal Dr. Christina Pierre gave an update on Mariner Middle School.

See the [Mariner Middle School Update presentation](#).

4. **Fiscal Year 2026-27 Preliminary Budget.** Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations Tim Wald and Director of Finance Andi Johnson presented the proposed fiscal year 2026-27 budget adjustments that will be implemented as we plan for the 2026-27 school year. An overview of the preliminary budget and variables used to develop the budget for fiscal year 2026-27 and projected budgets for fiscal years 2027-28 and 2028-29 were presented for discussion. The preliminary budget will return to the board on June 8, 2026 for action.

See the [Fiscal Year 2026-27 Preliminary Budget presentation](#).

At the March 23, 2026 Work Session of the School Board, the following items were acted upon:

1. **Action on Resolution to Sell Real Property.** The School Board adopted the resolution to allow the District to sell the property located at 4871 Bald Eagle Avenue as outlined in the resolution.
2. **Action on Resolution Addressing Status of Board Members for Purposes of the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act.** The School Board approved the Resolution Addressing Status of Board Members for Purposes of the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act.
3. **Negotiations.** This portion of the meeting was closed to consider strategy for labor negotiations, including negotiation strategies or developments or discussion and review of labor negotiation proposals, conducted pursuant to Minn. Stat. 179A.01 to 179A.25.
4. **Preliminary Consideration of Allegations Against an Individual Subject to the Board's Authority.** This portion of the meeting was not closed. The School Board discussed preliminary consideration of allegations or charges against an individual subject to the board's authority pursuant to Minn. Stat. 13D.05, Subd. 2(b).
5. **Potential Board Action Following Closed Session.** The School Board adopted the Resolution Censuring a School Board Member and Disavowing the Board Member's Conduct.

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