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West Bend School District UPDATE

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Construction Update

The West Bend School District is thankful for the support received from the community in approving the facilities referendum last year. This support allowed the district to complete important improvements to Green Tree and McLane this summer, and continue other projects at those schools this fall. In the brief 82 calendar days, with crews also working multiple shifts and the exception of July 4th, summer construction crews accomplished the following:

Accomplishments this summer at Green Tree Elementary:

- Relocated the main office to create a secure entry sequence, larger health room, and offices.
- Carefully removed and relayed brick moved to install new doors/windows and support beams for secure entrance sequence.
- Developed approximately 4500 square feet for new office space, secure entrance, support services spaces for students/staff, expanded nurses space.
- Installed new electrical wiring, LED light fixtures, and energy-saving sensors/dimmers; added low-voltage wiring for updated office security systems.
- Completed ADA restroom updates in kindergarten and early learning areas; reinstalled lockers after necessary mechanical work and concrete infills.
- Reconfigured classrooms to office space and old office repurposing - 10 spaces now configured into 20 updated spaces for students and staff.
- Replaced hallway flooring in all older areas of the school.
- Replaced the fire alarm system, which was installed, tested and inspected.
- Demolished and installed 26 window openings in the original building sections, with final caulking and trim painting to be complete over the next two weeks.
- Remodeled existing single and common bathrooms for ADA accessibility. Bathroom remodels included complete demolition, cutting open the flooring for new waste pipe, new water service piping, concrete infills, new framing of bathroom walls, installation of 36 new fixtures, new tiling, and wiring.
- Replaced controls and in-ceiling equipment for HVAC in preparation for full replacement of air handling unit and system controls during winter break.
- Prepared space for a generator and conduit with interior panels installed.

Accomplished this summer at McLane Elementary:

- Renovated classrooms to create a secure entry sequence, larger health room, and offices.
- Replaced the fire alarm system, which was installed, tested, and inspected.
- Replaced more than 90 windows (some original), prioritizing learning spaces; updated ceilings, soffits, and HVAC piping to accommodate installations.
- Remodeled basement/lower level bathrooms for ADA accessibility including new plumbing, fixtures, flooring, partitions, and service lines.
- Replaced fire doors and hardware.
- Installed 75 new HVAC sensors/thermostats with centralized computer-based controls for efficiency.
- Matched new tile flooring to original building style for consistency and future flexibility.
- Added new ventilation systems for restrooms and HVAC equipment for renovated office, health room area, Early Learning room, and lower-level restrooms.

Work to be Completed This Fall

Green Tree:

- Installation of hallway trim around new flooring.
- Future 4K classrooms are being completed which includes: casework, ADA bathrooms, and tile installation.
- Replacement of security systems that run the bells, clocks, and public address (PA) system.
- Integrate new fire alarm system with other safety/security systems (see above).
- Finishing final installation of updated security controls (see above) and demolishing old fire alarm system (still in place, but disconnected as the new one is now online).
- Exterior doors to be replaced in September.
- Installation of generator when it is delivered in October.

McLane:

- Modifying a classroom for 4K by adding an en-suite bathroom. Since this room will not be used until fall 2026, this work will be completed in the fall.
- Replacement of security systems that run the bells, clocks, and public address (PA) system.
- Integrate new fire alarm system with other safety/security systems (see above).
- Finishing final installation of updated security controls (see above) and demolishing old fire alarm system (still in place, but disconnected as the new one is now online).

Improvements Scheduled for Summer 2026

Green Tree:

- Reconfigure the east front parking lot and driveway.
- Replace the LED pole lights.

McLane:

- Work on foundation as part of the parking lot replacement.
- Replace gymnasium bleachers (will be coordinated with gym floor replacement)
- Repaving of the parking lot and the LED pole lights.
- Replacing exterior railings.
- Replacing one elevator (other elevator removed).

District News

Welcome Back to School!

Students in grades K-12 returned for the 2025-2026 school year on September 2. Early Learning Program (3- and 4-year-olds) will begin their school year on Monday, September 8. Please keep the following documents on hand:

WBSD [2025-2026 School Year Calendar](#)

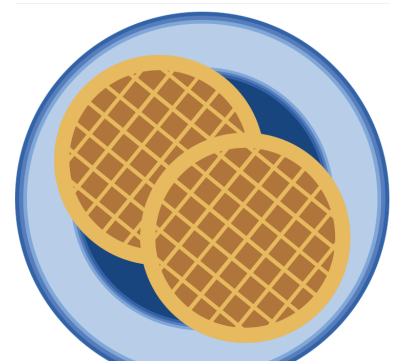
WBSD [Student/Family Handbook 2025-2026](#)



School Breakfast is a Great Option

School breakfast is an affordable, healthy, and convenient option that can help students do well in school because they've eaten a good breakfast to start their day. In fact, research shows that eating breakfast can lead to:

- Improved academic performance, focus and behavior
- Higher scores on standardized tests
- Reduced rates of school health clinic visits



West Bend students can easily participate in our delicious breakfast program! It is eligible for the free/reduced cost program and full costs include:

- \$1.65/day for Elementary

- \$1.75/day at Silverbrook
- \$1.85/day at Badger and high schools

Breakfast serving times vary by school, so check with the child’s school for exact times.

Download the Busing App

Know where your child’s bus is by using the Here Comes the Bus App. Go to the [WBSD website](#) for details on how to download the app.

We Are Hiring; Jobs Available

The West Bend School District is hiring for several positions, including full-time second shift custodian, part-time second shift custodian, special education aides, and coaches.

For more detailed information about all jobs available and to apply, go to [wbsdhr.org](#) and enter “West Bend School District” at Selected Employers.

Nominations Open for 2026 Herb Kohl Awards

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2026 Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Teacher Fellowship and Principal Leadership awards, honoring exceptional Wisconsin PK–12 educators and school leaders. Students and family members can submit nominations.

Each award recipient receives \$6,000 and their school will also receive a matching \$6,000 grant.

- Principal nomination deadline: 5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 3, 2025
- Teacher nomination deadline: 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2025

The Teacher Fellowship recognizes educators who inspire a love of learning, motivate others, and demonstrate exemplary service in and beyond the classroom. The Principal Leadership Award honors school leaders who demonstrate outstanding administrative skill and foster a positive, collaborative school culture. To submit a nomination, visit [KohlEducation.org](#).



School Board News

Recap of August 25 Meeting

The West Bend School Board met on Monday, August 25. The board approved the Consent Agenda with Minutes of the August 11, 2025 Regular Board Meeting; Contracts; Resignations; Board Liaison Assignments to the Negotiations Team; AIA Contract Amendment-Green Tree and McLane; 2025-2026 Certified Staff Expertise Pay; 2025-2026 Support Staff Expertise Pay; and Employee Handbook. The construction, Policy Committee, and superintendent's reports were given.

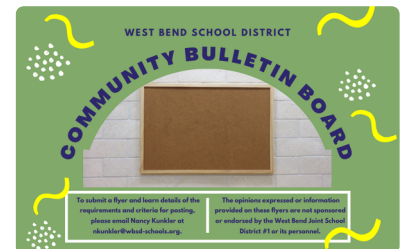
The board held a discussion on Agenda and Resolutions for September 22, 2025 Annual Meeting. There will also be Policy Series Review of the 800 Series: School Community Relations First Reading (Policy 830 Use of Facilities is under further development), and Policy Series Review of the 900 Series: Facilities Development First Reading.

If you are interested in reviewing the details of the meeting, [see this tutorial](#) on how to access the agenda with links to the supporting documents. A [video of the meeting](#) is available.

Community Connections

Community Bulletin Board

There are various events and activities available on the WBSD's [Community Bulletin Board](#)!



Athletics

West Bend East Dance Clinic
East Junior Suns BOYS Basketball
East Junior Suns GIRLS Basketball
FC Wisconsin Fall Minis Program (Soccer)
West Boys Basketball Youth Programs: 3 & 4 Grade and 5-8 Grades
West Boys Basketball Golf Outing

Other

John McGivern Show by Columns for Scholarships
Volunteer Center Do Good Bus Opportunities
Volunteer Center One Pan Wonders Event
Volunteer Center Taste and Learn Nonprofit Fair
Riveredge Nature Center Fall Events
Washington County 4H Open House
Menomonee Falls Children's Choir
Champions Before- and After-School at Fair Park
Cub Scouts Pack 3791
Cub Scouts Pack 3784 (McLane)

YMCA

Free Swim Lessons at YMCA
Fall 1 Programs
Hiring Before- and After-School Program Staff
Before- and After-School Programs
Boys Preteen Program



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