



ROTHSAY TIGERS

MCA Testing starts Tuesday 4/4/23

What is MCA?

The Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCA) are state tests in reading, mathematics, and science that are used to meet federal and state legislative requirements. The tests are administered every year to measure student performance relative to the Minnesota Academic Standards that specify what students in a particular grade should know and be able to do.

Who must take these tests?

All students in public schools are required to participate in the statewide assessment program. Reading and mathematics tests are administered in grades 3–8 and high school (students in grade 10 take the Reading MCA, and students in grade 11 take the Mathematics MCA). The Science MCA is administered to students in grades 5 and 8 and in the high school grade when students take a life science or biology course. With very few exceptions, all public school students in the above grades take the MCA.

Test Day Tips



Helpful Tips:

- ◆ Eat a nutritious breakfast on the morning of the test.
- ◆ Get adequate sleep the night before the test.
- ◆ Wear comfortable clothing on test day.
- ◆ Be on time to school.



MCA = My Chance to Amaze . . .

. . . myself! . . . my friends!

. . . my school! . . . my parents!



Principal's Perspective



By: Karilee Traurig

By looking outside one would never know that we have entered into SPRING! It seems we will need to patiently wait for the weather to coincide with the calendar.

April and May signal the last quarter of the year and we look forward to many school activities in both elementary and secondary. The elementary students will host their K-4 music concert, Track and Field Day, Kindergarten Program, Preschool Program, 4-6 Family Fun Night with a focus on Math, and "Rolls with Role Models". Secondary students will be involved in 5-12 band/choir concerts, Spring sports, State FFA competition, Prom, Academic Program, Senior Breakfast, 9-12 band/choir trip and lastly, graduation. As a staff and community, we look forward to supporting our students with all events taking place.

Importantly, April and May also involve MCA testing. Students in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 and 11 will be taking Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCAs). The Minnesota Department of Education requires MCAs be taken to measure student achievement in the areas of math, reading, and science. Our students demonstrate many skills, aptitudes, talents, and abilities that we celebrate and recognize, yet will never be measured by the MCA. At school we take our role seriously to prepare our students with knowledge, and would like home support in encouraging students to put forth their best efforts on the MCA assessments.

Parents and families, here are some ways you can support your student during MCA testing:

- Ensure your student gets a good night's rest. It is suggested that children aged 6-13 should sleep between 9 and 12 hours each night, and Teens, aged 14-17, should sleep between 8 and 10 hours each night in order to give their bodies and minds the rest needed to function the best the following day.
- Try to reduce morning stress of getting out the door by having everything ready and set out the night before.
- Make time for breakfast at home or remind students that we serve free breakfast at school from 8:00-8:30.
- Positively encourage your child to do their academic best! Remind them of the many wonderful attributes they possess. Positive words help reinforce a child's self-confidence and promote a healthy mindset.

Please find the dates for MCA testing included in this newsletter and make every effort to have your student (s) in school and on time on the scheduled testing dates. If you have any questions about testing, please call or email me.

Thank you for your continued support of your student's learning. We are grateful to work alongside our families to help provide the best educational experience possible.

Respectfully,

Karilee Traurig
PreK- 6 Elementary Principal
Rothsay Public School

MCA Testing Calendar 2023

April/May

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday **IF NEEDED
April 4th 3rd/4th Reading 8th Reading	April 5th 3rd/4th Reading 8th Reading	April 6th 3rd/4th Reading 8th Reading Finish/Make-up	April 7th No School
April 11th 5th/6th Reading 7th Reading	April 12th 5th/6th Reading 7th Reading	April 13th 5th/6th Reading 7th Reading Finish/Make-up	April 14th **5th/6th Reading **7th Reading Finish/Make-up
April 18th 3rd/4th Math 10th Reading 8th Math	April 19th 3rd/4th Math 10th Reading 8th Math	April 20th 3rd/4th Math 10th Reading 8th Math Finish/Make-up	April 21st **3rd/4th Math **10th Reading 8th Math Finish/Make-up
April 25th No Testing	April 26th 5th/6th Math 7th Math 10th Science	April 27th 5th/6th Math 7th Math 10th Science	April 28th **5th/6th Math **7th Math **10th Science Finish/Make-up
May 2nd 5th Science 8th Science 11th Math	May 3rd 5th Science 8th Science 11th Math	May 4th 5th Science 8th Science 11th Math Finish/Make-up	May 5th **5th Science **8th Science **11th Math Finish/Make-up

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

March 2023



Lillian Hansen—1st Grade

She is so sweet and always has a smile on her face. She always goes above and beyond to lend a helping hand and is a friend to everyone. She participates in class and works hard everyday.

- Displays excellent character
- Outstanding behavior
- Positive attitude towards others/learning
- Follows classroom/school expectations
- Respectful to peers/teachers
- Demonstrates responsibility

Jacob Christenson 12th Grade

Jacob is a good role model for underclassmen, he is willing to answer questions and explain things to them, he wants them to be successful and do well in whatever they are trying to accomplish. He is always willing to help out in the classroom with various projects that need to get done. He is always prepared for class, has a good attitude, and has a good sense of humor.



ROTHSAY PUBLIC SCHOOL

APRIL 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Palm Sunday RFD Pancake Feed	3 Varsity Track Meet - Concordia	4 MCA TESTING School Librarian Appreciation Day	5 MCA TESTING FFA - Region 1 Awards - B'ville Spring Sports Pictures 4H - Cloverbuds - Group 1	6 MCA TESTING Paraprofessional Appreciation Day	7 GOOD FRIDAY No School	8
9 EASTER	10 No School	11 MCA TESTING 6:30am School Board Mtg Varsity Track Meet - Barnesville	12 MCA TESTING 4H - Cloverbuds - Group 2	13 MCA TESTING Varsity Softball @ Ashby JH Softball @ Ashby Varsity Golf @ Tipsinah	14 Varsity Track Meet @ Perham	15
16	17 Varsity Softball vs Ada-Borup JH Softball vs Ada-Borup JV Golf @ Tipsinah Volunteer Recognition Week	18 MCA TESTING JH Baseball vs. Breckenridge Varsity Track Meet @ Perham	19 MCA TESTING	20 MCA TESTING 5th Gr. Math Masters Varsity Softball vs CGB JH Softball vs CGB Varsity Track Meet @ Breckenridge JH Baseball @ Lake Park Audubon	21 JH Track Meet @ Pelican JH Baseball @ Pelican JH Softball @ LPA	22 EARTH DAY Varsity Softball Tourney @ Swanville
23 FFA - State Convention	24 FFA - State Convention JH Track Meet @ Barnesville	25 FFA - State Convention 2p & 7p K-4th Gr. Concert Varsity Track @ Barnesville JH Track @ Perham Varsity Golf @ Pillager	26 MCA TESTING	27 MCA TESTING V & JH Softball vs Hillcrest JH Baseball vs OTC Varsity Track @ Hawley V & JV Golf 6pm Wilkin Co 4-H Meeting Administrative Professionals Day	28 MCA TESTING Quarter 4 Midterm JH Track Meet @ Hawley JH Baseball vs Barnesville	29 Varsity Softball Tourney @ Barnesville
30	<p>Notes: Schedules may change so visit littleeightconference.org for updates</p> <p>MCA Testing happens 8:45am - 1:45 pm - Please see testing schedule to see when your child tests to make sure they are in school on time that day. Thanks</p> <p>CGB = Clinton Graceville Beardisley LPA = Lake Park Audubon OTC = Ottertail Central</p>					updated: 3/29/23

#WeAreRothsay



2022-2023 ~ Quarter 3

A HONOR ROLL

3/29/23 Honor Roll Pulled

7th Grade

Eian E.
Kennedy F.
Mason H.
Nora L.
Kody L.
Isabella M.

Cory O.
Wesley P.
Kellan S.
Vanessa S.
Lydia U.

9th Grade

Grace C.
Bethany D.
Tristan H.
Nathan K.O.
Jenson L.
Isabelle L.
Dawson L.
Kalli L.

Lauren R.
Savannah S.
McKenzie T.
Khia T.
Ethan T.

10th Grade

Abbi B.
Hannah C.
Preston C.
Addison F.
Colton H.
Joshua H.
Lisa K.
Siri K.

Summer M.
Landon M.
Claire M.
Curtis O.
Allison P.
Andrea P.
Brooklyn W.

11th Grade

Zach C.
Matthew D.
Peyton K.
Gracyn P.
Madisyn T.
Carson W.

12th Grade

Emma A.-B.
Wylie B.
Kenadi C.
Peyton C.
Jacob C.
Karter J.
Katelyn R.
Madison T.

8th Grade

Destiny E.
Wyatt I.
Emma K.
Savannah L.
Benjamin M.



The minimum requirement is 3.0-3.49 grade points for the “B” Honor Roll and 3.5-4.0 for the “A” Honor Roll. This is truly an honor. If a student has an “I” or an “F” in any class at the end of each quarter, they are ineligible for Honor Roll for that quarter.

2022-2023 ~ Quarter 3



B Honor Roll

3/29/23 Honor Roll Pulled

7th Grade

Mathias S.
Elizabeth B.
Kiersten H.

Asher K.

Hunter M.

Memphis S.

Macy T.

8th Grade

William H.

Jackson M.

Mavyn P.

Mathias S.

James S.

Jeremiah Z.

9th Grade

Loken B.

Karson J.

Kaje K.

Brennan K.

Easton K.

Mason O.

Mia R.

10th Grade

Grace E.

Jeffrey R.

Gavin T.

Odessa T.

11th Grade

Jaden B.

Jesse B.

Mark C.

Barrett D.

Kinsey H.

Hunter M.

Elli M.

Conrad S.

12th Grade

Justin K.

Jasmine M.

Jeremy R.

Adriana W.



69% of 7-12th Graders made the honor roll, Great Job Tigers!!!

NEWS....

Quarter 4:

Friday, April 28th Quarter 4 Midterm. Friday, May 26th End of Quarter 4. Your child's grades may be viewed on JMC anytime.

22-23 Yearbook:

Order online now: <https://www.jostens.com/yearbooks/students-and-parents/about-yearbooks>

Service Food Receipts:

All Service Food Slips maybe dropped off at the office. Mrs. Sletten and The Prom Committee depend on the funds yearly.

JMC Family app:

Step by Step how to set up

1. Go to your Play Store/App Store and download "jmc Family app" to get started
- 2.) Follow your phones instructions to install the app
- 3.) Mobile Pin Code: 0637
- 4.) Use the same username & password that you use online for the jmc Family portal.
 - A.) If you do not recall your username or password—Click the Forgot under the Verify button
 - B.) Username Hint—It is ALWAYS the Primary contacts last name
 - C.) You must use the same email address that the school has for you when signing in.



APRIL 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>3</p> <p>Breakfast Banana/Pumpkin Bread or Oatmeal Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Breakfast Pizza</p> <p>Lunch French Toast, Hashbrown, Sausage, Broccoli, Fruit, Milk</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Breakfast Mini Donuts or Breakfast Bars, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Burrito or Donut</p> <p>Lunch Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Tomato Soup, Broccoli, Fruit, Milk</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Breakfast Yogurt Bar or Cereal/Cheese stick, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Bagel Breakfast Pizza</p> <p>Lunch Hamburger Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Dinner Roll, Corn, Fruit, Milk</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Breakfast Waffles or Breakfast Bars, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Tornado</p> <p>Lunch Quesadilla, Romaine Salad, Carrots, Fruit, Milk</p>	<p>7</p> <p>No School!</p>  <p><i>Happy Easter!</i></p>
<p>10</p> <p>No School!</p> 	<p>11</p> <p>Breakfast Cream Cheese Bagels or Cereal/Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Burrito or Donut</p> <p>Lunch Tiger Taco, Fruit, Refried/Black Beans, Milk</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Breakfast Oatmeal or Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Bagel Breakfast Pizza</p> <p>Lunch Pulled Pork Sandwich, Baked Potato, Coleslaw, Fruit, Milk</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Breakfast Cheese Omelet or Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Tornado</p> <p>Lunch Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Fruit, Green Beans, Milk 6-12 Dinner Roll</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Breakfast Cinnamon Roll or Oatmeal Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Long John</p> <p>Lunch Pepperoni Pizza Boat, Fruit, Carrots/Broccoli, Romaine Salad, Milk</p>
<p>17</p> <p>Breakfast Breakfast Pizza or Breakfast Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Breakfast Pizza</p> <p>Lunch Orange Chicken, Rice, Fruit, Romaine Salad, Milk</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Breakfast Stuffed Hashbrown or Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Burrito or Donut</p> <p>Lunch Soft Shell Beef Taco, Refried/Black Beans, Fruit, Broccoli, Milk</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Breakfast Waffles or Muffin/Cheese Stick, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Bagel Breakfast Pizza</p> <p>Lunch Tater Tot Hotdish, Fruit, Corn, Dinner Roll, Cookie, Milk</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Breakfast Long John or Breakfast Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Tornado</p> <p>Lunch Chicken Breast, Au Gratin Potatoes, Breadsticks, Green Beans, Fruit, Milk</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Breakfast Yogurt Bar or Cereal/Cheese stick, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Long John</p> <p>Lunch Fiestada Pizza, Fruit, Broccoli, Carrots, Romaine Salad, Milk</p>
<p>24</p> <p>Breakfast Pancakes or Breakfast Bars, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Breakfast Pizza</p> <p>Lunch Chicken Alfredo, Breadstick, Cooked Broccoli, Fruit, Milk</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Breakfast Cheese Omelet or Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Burrito or Donut</p> <p>Lunch Crispitos, Romaine Salad, Broccoli, Carrots, Corn, Fruit, Milk</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Breakfast Long John or Oatmeal Bar, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Bagel Breakfast Pizza</p> <p>Lunch Shrimp Poppers, Potato Smiles, Fruit, Milk 6-12 Cookie</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Breakfast Muffin or Oatmeal bar, Cheese Stick, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Tornado</p> <p>Lunch Chicken Patty on Bun, Fruit, Green Beans, Baked Potato, Milk 9-12 Fried Rice</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Breakfast Cream Cheese Bagels or Cereal/Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk</p> <p>2nd Bkfst for grades 7-12 Long John</p> <p>Lunch Corn Dog, Fruit, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Milk</p>
<p>**Alternative to Main Entree is PB&J Sandwich (M & F), Stuffed Breadstick w/sauce (T), Pizza Sub (W), Deli Sandwich (TH)</p> <p>All grades served assorted Fruits and Veggies daily. Condiments are served.</p> <p>2nd Chance Bkfst also includes choice of Breakfast Bars, Fruit, Juice & 1% or Skim Milk daily</p> <p>Milk choices: Breakfast: 8oz fat free or 1% white milk. Lunch: 8oz fat free or 1% white or fat free chocolate milk</p> <p>Menu is subject to change as needed without notice.</p> <p>This institution is an equal opportunity provider.</p>				



SENIOR



Hayden Emery

Nicknames: Bean, Bud & H-Bomb

Birth Date: 01/25/2005

Favorites:

Food - Chicken Strip Melt

Drink - Shirley Temple

Movie - Cars

TV Shows - Heartland

Band/Artist - Tyler Childers

Sport - Basketball

Class - Graphic Arts

Quote - "If it's meant to be it will be." Erick Matthews

Teacher - Mrs. Olson & Mr. Hone

Book - The Fault in our Star

Color - Blue

Season - Summer

Hobbies - Basketball & Showing Horses

Most Embarrassing Moment- When I said, "It's not rock science" instead of Rocket Science in front of the whole band.

Advice to the underclassman-Work hard now, it's worth it.

Future - Crookston for Ag. Business



Alivia Zilmer

Birth Date: March 14th

Favorites:

Food - Homemade Soup

Drink - OJ & Sprite Mixed

Movie - Where the Crawdads Sing

TV Shows - Virgin River

Band/Artist-Johnny Cash

Sport - Volleyball

Class - Any Ag Class

Quote - "Animals are such agreeable friends—they ask no questions: they pass no criticisms" by George Eliot

Teacher - Mrs. Olson

Book - Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children series

Color - Blue

Season - Summer

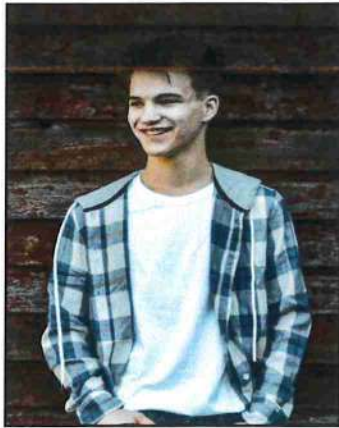
Hobbies - Dog training & horseback riding

Most Embarrassing Moment-When I tripped while in Washington D.C.

Advice to the underclassman-Don't be afraid to speak up.

Future - Associate's degree in veterinary technology

HIGHLIGHTS



Michael Wendling

Nicknames: Mikey, Big Mike

Birth Date: October 11th

Favorites:

Food - Ramen

Drink - Bang

Movie - Any Del Toro film

TV Shows - Mash

Band/Artist - Zillakami

Sport - Baseball

Class - History

Teacher - Mr. Hone

Quote - "Care about what other's think and you will always be their prisoner." Lao Tzu

Book - The Throne of Glass

Color - Slate Blue

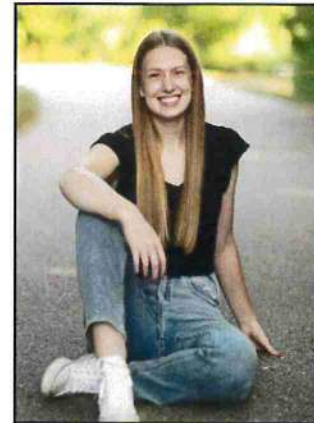
Season - Fall

Hobbies - Weightlifting, reading & guitar

Most Embarrassing Moment - Walking on thin ice in shorts and falling in.

Advice to the underclassman - Don't judge somebody on their appearance.

Future - College for carpentry, aeronautics or philosophy.



Kenadi Brooke Carlsrud

Nicknames: Ken, Dee

Birth Date: May 9th

Favorites:

Food - Butter Noodles & Parmesan

Drink - Mountain Dew/Dr. Pepper

Movie - Scooby-Doo Movies

TV Shows - The Walking Dead

Band/Artist - Black Eyed Peas

Sport - Volleyball & Basketball

Athlete - Mason Kadel **Class** - Graphic Arts

Teacher - Mrs. Heier & Mrs. Blair

Quote - "Expect nothing, appreciate everything" by Buddha

Book - The Hate U Give

Color - Green

Season - Fall

Hobbies - Sleeping & Playing Sports

Most Embarrassing Moment - Leaving visible dry shampoo in my hair and going to school where my friends asked me what was in my hair.

Advice to the underclassmen - Don't tell yourself you'll do it later, you probably won't.

Future - MSUM for an undecided major



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\$1.00/CHILD

DOORS OPEN [AT] 5:15 - PERFORMANCE GYM

ROTHSAY FIRE & RESCUE

ANNUAL PANCAKE FEED

Sunday April 2nd

9am - 1pm

Rothsay Fire Hall

(across the road from the Truckstop)

FREE WILL DONATION





Hello Rothsay Families!

My name is Tabitha Cadmus, I am the school based mental health provider at Rothsay School this year. What that means is that I am not employed through the school but through a separate mental health agency. This year I am hoping to be able to provide therapy to students as well as hopefully some mental health group counseling as well as meeting with students on an as needed basis. I will be at the school all day on **Monday, Wednesday and Friday**. If you have concerns about your child's behavior or mental health, please feel free to contact me. The best ways to do so are my direct line at the school, which is **218-867-2908** or my email address: **Tabitha.cadmus@greatermncs.com**. If you would like to learn more about my agency, please feel free to check out our website: <https://www.greatermncs.com>. I have great affection for our students at Rothsay. We have such great kids and I love being able to meet with them and help them out. We want all of our students to enjoy coming here and if they don't, we want to find ways to help. Both my agency and the school are here to support parents too, so please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Tabitha Cadmus

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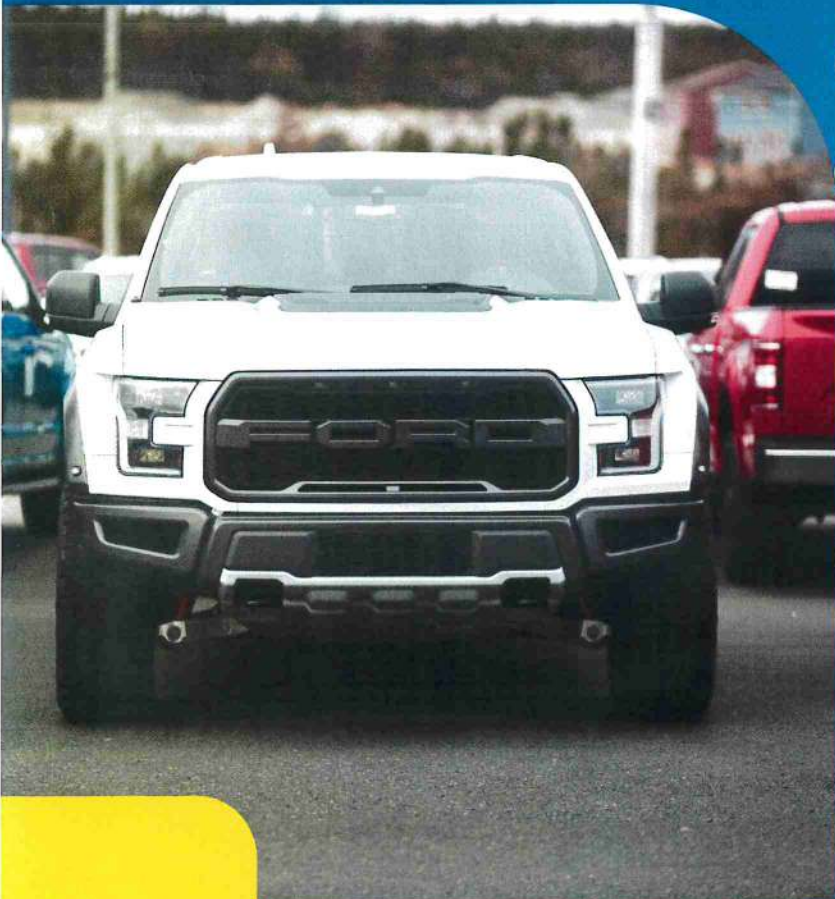


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The Board of Education of Rothsay Independent School District 850 held its Regular meeting on February 14, 2023, in the Conference Room at the school. Board Chairman Justin Phillips called the meeting to order at 6:30 A.M. Board members Kevin Brenden, David Simmer, Jessi Colby, and Mike Metzger were in attendance. Director Derek Froslic was absent. Superintendent/Principal Wade Johnson, Elementary Principal Karilee Traurig, and District Secretary/Bookkeeper Diane Haugrud were also on hand representing administration at the meeting.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Superintendent Johnson read the mission statement "*To prepare our students to become responsible citizens and life-long learners.*"

Brenden motioned to approve the agenda with one addition and adjustment; Simmer provided the second. The motion unanimously carried upon vote.

Jodie Zesbaugh and Jen Chapman (both representing Ehlers Inc.) reviewed the Pre-Sale Report for the General Obligation School Building Refunding Bonds.

Brenden moved to approve the minutes of the regular January meeting as presented; Colby seconded this motion which unanimously carried upon vote. The school mailer and the *Rothsay Regional Report* will publish the minutes.

Colby made a motion (which carried unanimously upon vote following Metzger's second) to approve the financial reports and to authorize the fiscal agent for ISD 850 to pay accounts payable and hand payables in the following amounts: General Fund - \$265,061.08, Food Service - \$18,259.65, Community Service - \$1,568.00, Debt Service - \$.00, Trust Fund - \$1,000.00, Student Activity Fund - \$12,719.45. Total: \$298,608.18.

The student activity account balance was reported as \$136,538.47.

Johnson gave the Superintendent/Principal's report. At Johnson's request, the Board granted permission to attend three upcoming conferences (MSBA Negotiating, MASA, and LCSC). Updates were provided on the junior class attending a prep class to help with ACT scores as well as the current state of ACT testing (scholarship prep versus college prep). Mr. Johnson also discussed the EmpowerU program (socio/emotional component) that is being utilized for 7/8 grade music and phy ed. A legislative update was provided with highlights including SPED Cross-subsidy, free school lunches, and the Governor's proposal. Discussion focus around how different areas of funding will be affecting our school district. Finally, with the impending storm forecasted for our area, he informed the board that he has postponed any activities after 6:00 pm this evening.

The Elementary Principal's Report was given by Mrs. Traurig. The report highlighted School Board Recognition Month, Random Acts of Kindness week, and School Bus Appreciation on February 22nd. It was reported that conferences are coming up on the 23rd and 27th of this month. The upcoming reading challenge (Read Across America) and the book fair were also noted. The Tiger Cub Club update was provided with information on grant timings (stabilization grant and financial hardship grant).

The Technology Report was reviewed by all in attendance. Internet connectivity (firewall) and the deployment of ten new workstations were the only significant points of discussion.

The Preschool Report was reviewed by all in attendance. There are 42 students enrolled for the 2022-2023 school year. ECFE programs continue and have been well-attended to date.

Lori Tillman was present and gave the Activities Director Report. The Board was informed of the interviews for the Head Volleyball Coach, several updates to the sports schedule, that vendors for the new softball and volleyball uniforms have been contacted, and that according to feedback provided from the coaches, the Tiger/Speed Strength Program is going well.

The Budget Committee met this past month to discuss the potential interest adjustment to several of our bonds (conducted in preparation for the Ehlers presentation).

Enrollment was reported at 288 pupils.

Director Colby introduced the following resolution and moved in favor of its adoption:

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR POSSIBLE REDUCTIONS IN PROGRAMS
AND POSITIONS AND THE REASONS THEREFOR.**

WHEREAS, the financial condition of the school district dictates that the school board must reduce expenditures immediately, and

WHEREAS, this reduction in expenditures must include discontinuance of positions and discontinuance or curtailment of programs, and

WHEREAS, a determination may have to be made as to which teachers' contracts must be reduced, terminated, or not renewed and which teachers may be placed on unrequested leave of absence without pay or fringe benefits in effecting discontinuance of positions,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No. 850, as follows:

That the School Board hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools and administration to consider the discontinuance of programs or positions to effectuate economies in the school district and reduce

expenditures and make recommendations to the school board for the discontinuance of programs, curtailment of programs, discontinuance of positions or curtailment of positions.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Director Metzger and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Metzger, Colby, Simmer, Brenden, Phillips and the following voted against the same:
None

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

February 14, 2023
Date

Mike Metzger
Clerk

Simmer moved to approve the 2023-2024 School Calendar as a working document. Brenden seconded this motion which unanimously carried upon vote.

After a lengthy discussion, the Board all agreed that the district should ‘part ways’ with the remaining property by the old school. Brenden moved to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Rothsay to either transfer or sell the parking lot property by the old school site. Metzger seconded the motion. Upon vote, the motion passed four to one.

Metzger moved to approve Tonya Kort as the Head VB coach for the 2023-2024 school year. Simmer seconded the motion which unanimously carried upon vote.

Member Metzger introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENTION OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION
SCHOOL BUILDING REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2023A,
IN THE APPROXIMATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF
\$6,220,000; AND TAKING OTHER ACTIONS WITH
RESPECT THERETO**

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board (the “Board”) of Independent School District No. 850 (Rothsay Public School), Wilkin and Otter Tail Counties, Minnesota (the “District”), as follows:

1. Background. It is hereby determined that:

(a) On September 17, 2013, the District issued its General Obligation School Building Bonds, Series 2013A (the “Series 2013A Bonds”), in the original aggregate principal amount of \$10,000,000 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, as amended (the “Act”) and a special election held May 16, 2013, to finance the acquisition and betterment of school sites and facilities, including the construction and equipping of a new PreK-12 school building. The Series 2013A Bonds are currently outstanding in the principal amount of \$6,090,000 of which \$6,090,000 is currently subject to redemption on February 1, 2023.

(b) The District is authorized by Section 475.67 to issue and sell its general obligation bonds to refund outstanding bonds when determined by the Board to be necessary and desirable for the reduction of debt service costs of the District.

(c) The Board hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and desirable for the reduction of debt service costs to the District that the District issue its General Obligation School Building Refunding Bonds, Series 2023A in the aggregate maximum principal amount of approximately \$6,220,000 (the "Bonds"), pursuant to the Act, including Section 475.67 of the Act, to redeem and prepay the Series 2013A Bonds.

2. Covenant as to State Credit Enhancement.

(a) The District hereby covenants and obligates itself to notify the Commissioner of Education (the "Commissioner") of a potential default in the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds and to use the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55 (the "Credit Enhancement Act") to guarantee payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds when due. The District further covenants to deposit with the paying agent for the Bonds (the "Paying Agent"), or any successor paying agent, three (3) days prior to the date on which a payment is due an amount sufficient to make that payment or to notify the Commissioner that it will be unable to make all or a portion of that payment. The Paying Agent is authorized and directed to notify the Commissioner if it becomes aware of a potential default in the payment of principal or interest on the Bonds or if, on the day two (2) business days prior to the date a payment is due on the Bonds, there are insufficient funds on deposit with the Paying Agent to make that payment. The District understands that as a result of its covenant to be bound by the provisions of the Credit Enhancement Act, the provisions of that section shall be binding as long as any Bonds of this issue remain outstanding.

(b) The District further covenants to comply with all procedures now and hereafter established by the Minnesota Departments of Management and Budget and Education pursuant to subdivision 2(c) of the Credit Enhancement Act and otherwise to take such actions as necessary to comply with that section. The Board Chair, Clerk, Treasurer, Superintendent, or Business Manager of the District are authorized to execute any applicable Minnesota Department of Education forms.

3. Sale of Bonds. The Board has retained Ehlers and Associates, Inc. (the "Municipal Advisor"), to serve as the District's independent municipal advisor with respect to the offer and sale of the Bonds and, therefore, is authorized by Section 475.60, subdivision 2(9), of the Act to sell the Bonds other than pursuant to a competitive sale.

4. Procedure for Review of Proposals and Selection of Purchaser. The Board hereby authorizes and directs the Superintendent or Business Manager and any School Board member (the "Authorized Officials"), with the advice of the Municipal Advisor, to review proposals for the purchase of the Bonds and award the sale of the Bonds to the prospective purchaser (the "Purchaser") based on the recommendation of the Municipal Advisor and the following parameter: the true interest cost of the Bonds shall not exceed 3.41 percent (3.41%).

5. Acceptance of Proposal. The Board will meet at a regular or special meeting on the first practicable date after acceptance by the Authorized Officials of the proposal of

the Purchaser, to ratify such acceptance and take any other appropriate actions with respect to the Bonds.

6. Authority of Municipal Advisor. The Municipal Advisor is authorized and directed to assist the District in the preparation and dissemination of a Preliminary Official Statement to be distributed to potential purchasers of the Bonds. The Municipal Advisor is further authorized and directed to assist the District in the award and sale of the Bonds on behalf of the District after receipt of written proposals and to assist the District in the preparation and dissemination of a final Official Statement with respect to the Bonds.

7. Authority of Bond Counsel. The law firm of Kennedy & Graven, Chartered, is authorized to act as bond counsel for the District (“Bond Counsel”), and to assist in the preparation and review of necessary documents, certificates, and instruments related to the Bonds. The officers, employees, and agents of the District are hereby authorized to assist Bond Counsel in the preparation of such documents, certificates, and instruments.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Brenden, and upon vote being taken thereon the following director voted in favor of the motion: Metzger, Colby, Simmer, Brenden, Phillips and the following voted against: None. Whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

February 14, 2023
Date

Mike Metzger
Clerk

Director Colby moved to approve the following resolution:

ROTHSAY PUBLIC SCHOOL
RESOLUTION FOR SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (SRTS) BOOST GRANT

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) Safe Routes to School Program assists schools and communities by making it safer for children to walk and bike to school; and

WHEREAS, MnDOT Safe Routes to School Program solicits applications to enable schools and communities to implement Safe Route to School non-infrastructure activities; and

WHEREAS, if Rothsay Public School is awarded a SRTS Boost Grant, these funds would be used to provide non-infrastructure activities to local communities to develop Safe Routes to School initiatives that increase safety and encourage more children to walk and bicycle to school; and

WHEREAS, no local match funding is required; and

WHEREAS, SRTS Boost grant activities will commence after the grant agreement is fully executed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That Rothsay Public School authorizes the Elementary Principal to enter into a grant agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation for financial assistance to fund a Safe Routes to School Boost Grant and eligible expenses.
2. That the Elementary Principal is authorized to execute such Agreement and any amendment(s).

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Metzger. On a roll call vote, the following voted in favor: Metzger, Colby, Simmer, Brenden, Phillips and the following voted against: None. Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Mike Metzger, Clerk 02-14-2023

Metzger moved to approve the First Reading of the Policy #503 Attendance Policy. Brenden seconded the motion which unanimously carried on vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 a.m.

Mike Metzger, Clerk
Approved March 14, 2023



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