



New Richland-Hartland-Ellendale-Geneva Public Schools

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Empowering students with knowledge and skills to succeed.

Our Mission

Empowering students with knowledge and skills to succeed.

Our Vision

To be the school district of choice, inspiring excellence in academics, arts, and activities.

Facility Construction Update

Dale Carlson, Superintendent

February 2020

Our vision as a school community is to *be the school district of choice, inspiring excellence in academics, arts, and activities*. We strive to do this every day by *empowering students with knowledge and skills to succeed*.

The School Board met February 26, 2020, at 4:00 pm to consider the approval of construction bids related to the construction project. The Board approved the construction bid recommendations as presented by Knutson Construction. The Board awarded fifteen (15) contracts totaling \$7,341,874. A complete list of accepted bids can be found on the District Website at <https://www.nrheg.k12.mn.us/Page/3389>. The Board also approved construction-related contracted services in the amount of \$763,740 that included: Knutson Construction General Conditions and Fees, the Special Inspections and Testing with Chosen Valley and the Commissioning with IEA.

Our construction management firm, Knutson Construction, is hopeful to break ground on the new Secondary School shop addition in mid-April. The rest of the project will begin at the end of the 2019-2020 school year and continue throughout the summer. Construction in both buildings is to be completed by mid-August with the exception of the new shop addition which is targeted to be completed by November 2020.

Staff have been working on student programming plans for Summer 2020 that includes Community Education, Targeted Services, and various student activities including camps and practices. We know the construction will restrict identified areas in each building throughout the summer which is why we are working closely with Knutson Construction to schedule the various activities in locations and at times that will result in minimal disruption to our programming.

Construction information can be found on the District Website. We will be providing project updates throughout the spring, summer and fall.

A reminder that the School Board conducts its regular monthly meeting on the third Monday of each month. The location of the meeting is rotated monthly between the NRHEG Secondary School Media Center in New Richland and the NRHEG Elementary School Media Center in Ellendale. The March 16, 2020, School Board meeting will be at the Elementary School beginning at 6:30 pm., and the April 20, 2020, School Board meeting will be at the Secondary School beginning at 6:30 pm.

We celebrate together in the accomplishments of our students because we are in this journey together as a school community. Thank you for all you do to support NRHEG Public Schools and our students!