

MEMO

To: Rochester Board of Education
From: Suzanne Keller, Acting Superintendent/
Director of Educational Services
Subject: Board Report
Date: February 19, 2025



District Vacancies

The current vacancies for the district include:

2024-2025

- Blastoff Kids Academy Site Coordinator (District)
- Pre-K Aide (RES EC-1)
- Science Teacher (RJHS)
- Elementary Teacher
- Special Education Teacher
- Director of Transportation (District)
- Bus Mechanic
- Permanent Substitute Teacher
- Literacy Aide (RIS)
- Part-time Literacy Aide (RES)
- Part-time Library Aide (RES)
- Special Education Aides
- Supervisory Aides (RJHS, RIS)
- Recess Supervisors (RES EC-3)
- Bus Monitor
- Bus Driver/Substitute Bus Driver
- Van Driver
- Substitute Nurse (District)
- Assistant Girls Golf Coach (RHS)
- After Prom Sponsor (2 Positions/Split Stipend)

2025-2026

- Business Teacher (RHS)
- Math Teacher (RHS)
- Science Teacher (RHS)
- School Social Work/School Psychologist Intern
- Fourth Grade Teacher (RIS)
- Fifth Grade Teacher (RIS)
- Sixth Grade Teacher (RIS)
- Special Education Teacher
- Physical Education Teacher (RES)
- School Psychologist

District Wide STEM Event

Rochester students in kindergarten through twelfth grade had the opportunity to participate in a district wide STEM Event. Students created bridges constructed of masking tape and Q-Tips with the goal of having their structure hold as many pennies as possible. A big thank you to all of the staff involved in the planning, preparation, and orchestration of this amazing event.

Wellness Committee Meeting

A District Wellness Committee Meeting was held on Monday, February 10, 2025. This meeting provided participants with the opportunity to review and discuss the following items: NurtiSlice, Registration-Physicals and Immunizations, Emergency Response Teams, Cardiac Emergency Response Plan, AEDs, and Board Policy 7:270 Administering Medicines to Students.

Partners in Education (PIE) Meeting

On the evening of February 10, 2025 the Partners in Education Committee reviewed the drafted General Education Advisory Council Constitution and made additional edits to finalize the constitution for review by the Board of Education on February 19, 2025. The Application process was revisited and next steps for finalizing applications was reviewed.

Mentoring Program

Rochester's new teaching staff, Mentoring Leaders, and administration met on Tuesday, February 11, 2025. Meeting agenda topics included: Reflection on *Stick Together*, written by Jon Gordon; Illinois Required Assessments, Peer Observations (which will be shared during the April 9, 2025 meeting), and building level topics.

Committee Meetings

A Policy Committee Meeting was held on Tuesday, February 11, 2025. This meeting included a second reading of Press 117, as well as the review of Draft Board Policy 7:270 Administering Medicines to Students (Undesignated Glucagon). Press 117 is an agenda topic on the Board of Education Agenda on February 19th for a second reading. Draft Board Policy 7:270 will be an agenda topic as a first reading.

A Building Committee Meeting was held on Thursday, February 13, 2025. This meeting included the discussion and update on the current construction project, upcoming building projects, and snow removal.

A Personnel Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 18, 2025.

Professional Development/School Improvement Day

On the afternoon of Friday, February 14, 2025 staff members participated in professional development activities. The three Instructional Coaches provided staff across the district the opportunity to complete an English Language Arts (ELA) Standards Walk and Planning Session. This work allows staff the opportunity to grow their capacity related to their grade level standards, as well as the chance to work with other staff to examine standards vertically.

Strategic Planning

The Administrative Team will participate in a Check In with the district's consultant from Battelle for Kids, Erica Siddle. In addition, the writing teams' work will be reviewed in an effort to finalize plans for a Strategic Planning Community Focus Group.

Curriculum and Instruction Council

The Curriculum and Instruction Council is scheduled to meet on Thursday, February 27, 2025.

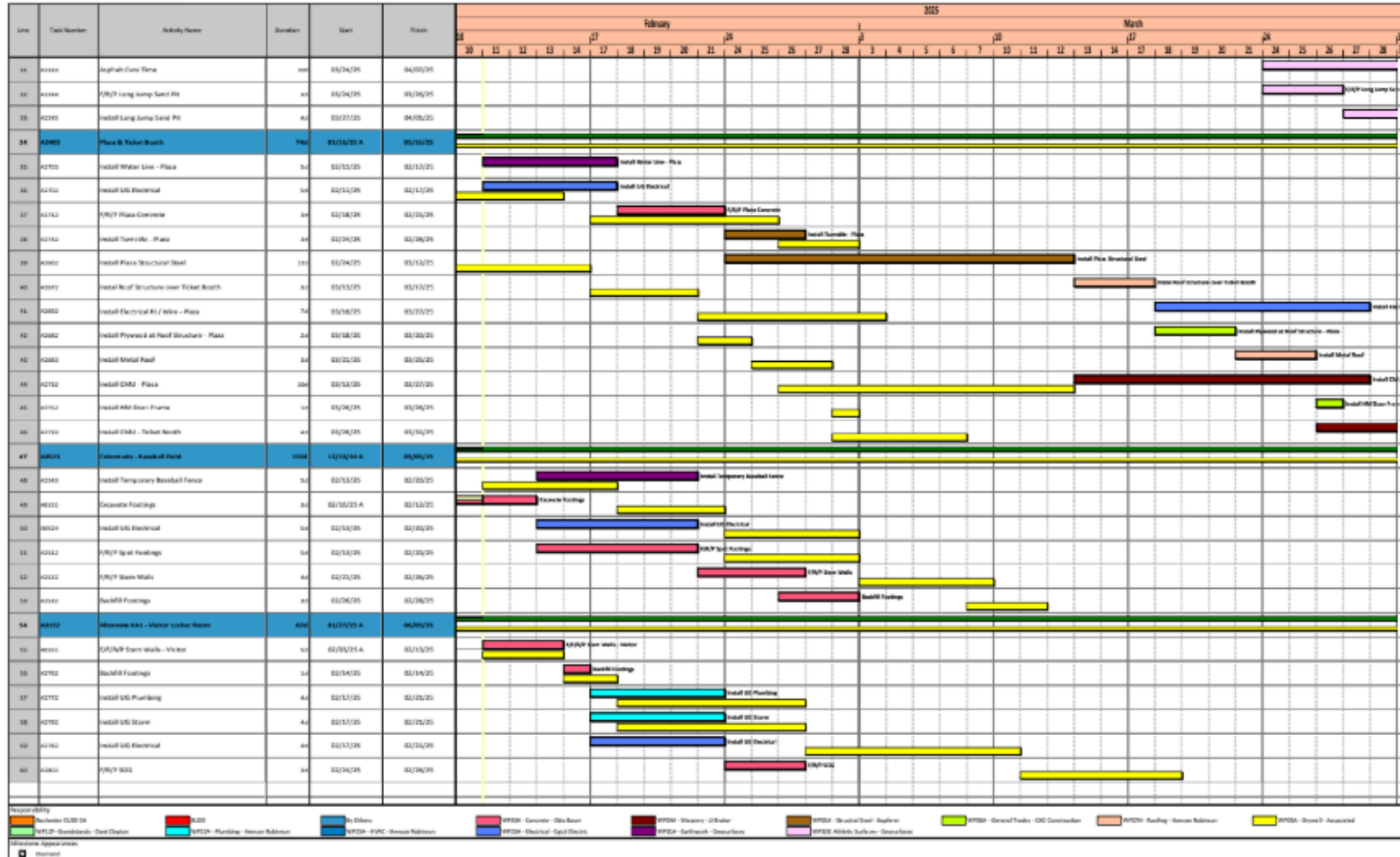
Construction

Please see the construction information below.





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