



DUNDY COUNTY STRATTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Superintendent Report September 2026

Dundy County Hospital Donation:

The Dundy County Hospital has donated a commercial laminator machine to the district. The machine was acquired during COVID-19 through a grant and has not been used much. The district accepted the donation and has since picked it up from the hospital. There is a similar unit located at the Elementary building so the donated item will be housed at the Jr./Sr. High location.

NDE Accreditation Visitation:

The Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) will be in Benkelman, NE on Friday, 09/18/2026 in the morning to conduct a Rule 10 audit. It has been a number of years since these audits have been held on-site but a change in the department leadership has brought back the practice. This visit is the culminating event for the process as there has been a great volume of information already sent electronically along with a video conference meeting being held.

2026 Thriving Children, Families, and Community Conference:

On Tuesday, 09/22/2026; I have been asked to participate in the Thriving Children, Families, and Community's Conference in Kearney, NE (Younes Conference Center North). The presentation that I will be participating in is titled "Building Together: Collaborative Efforts to Support Rural Communities". The presentation will be led by the Wilkins ADP group (architects for the Childcare/Pre-Kindergarten facility) from Kearney, NE and is scheduled for 1:40 p.m.-2:40 p.m. that day.

District Audit:

Personnel from Dana Cole & Company from Grand Island, NE will be in the district on Thursday-Friday, 09/24-25/2026 to conduct the annual district audit. They will be in the Jr./Sr. High for both of those days performing the audit.

Summer Maintenance Item(s):

We are still working on items from the list of summer projects but getting closer to completion. The landscape wall on the south side of the Jr./Sr. High is nearing completion with the rest of materials now in the district.

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Weathercraft Roofing from McCook, NE is going to be in town this week so it is hoped that the Construction House/Garage/Yard Building along with the Football Field/Track Press Box will be roofed in that period of time. Weathercraft will also complete some work on the Stratton facility roof while they are in the vicinity. The custodial/maintenance crew is making plans to put a storage building on the foundation where the former chiller unit sat at the Elementary building.

Superintendent Leave (2026-2027):

Work Day(s)	53 days available
Sick Leave	10.0 days available (03.0 used) = 07.0 days remaining
Vacation Leave	20.0 days available (01.5 used) = 18.5 days remaining

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