



Superintendent Update September 24, 2026



Vision

What we intend to create

Inspire dreams,

build integrity,

instill hope

*in our students, our staff, our families
and our communities.*



Mission

Purpose of our work

***Partner** with students, families and communities*

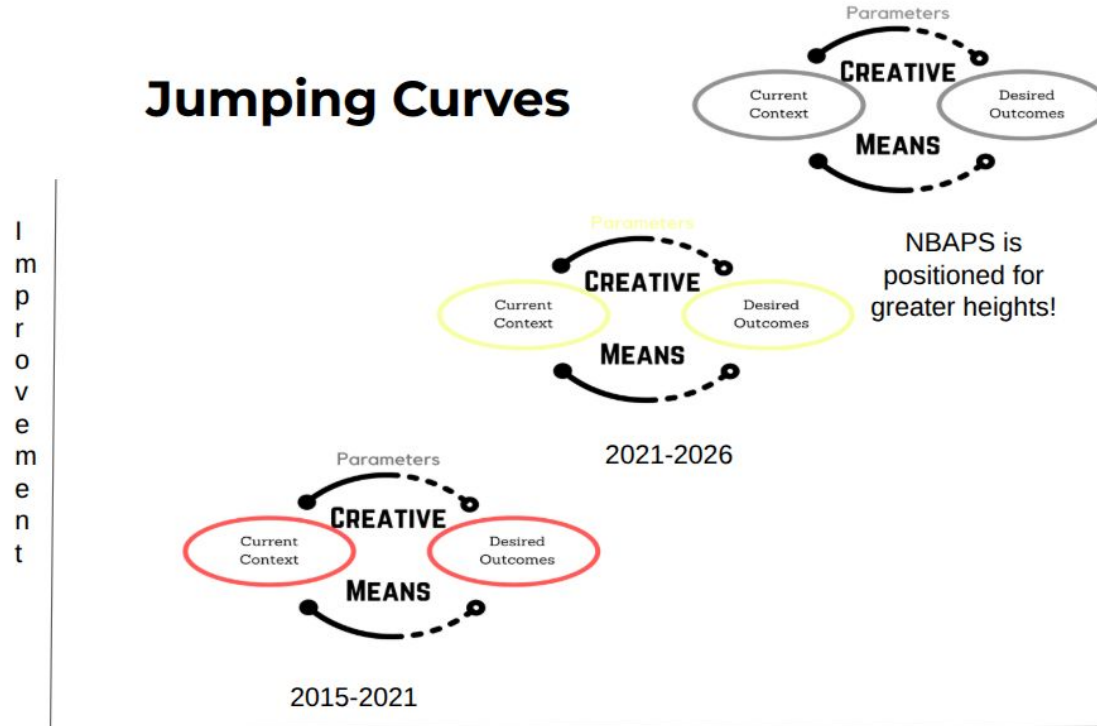
*to challenge all students to achieve their **greatest potential***

and become informed and engaged citizens.

Progress by Design



Jumping Curves



Coming soon...



NORTH BRANCH AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

VIKING NEWSLETTER

STORIES, UPDATES & CELEBRATIONS FROM ACROSS OUR DISTRICT

MONTHLY EDITION

SEPTEMBER
2026



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Upcoming Events



Homecoming has arrived!

SEPTEMBER 25, 2026 - OCTOBER 3, 2026

25
FRIDAY

8:15AM | Homecoming
Coronation

7:00PM | V Football:
North Branch @ Rock
Ridge

PAJAMA DAY

28
MONDAY

4:30PM | JV Football:
Hinckley-Finlayson vs
North Branch

4:30PM | C Boys
Soccer: St. Francis vs
North Branch

5:00PM | V Girls
Soccer: North Branch
@ Cambridge-Isanti

7:00PM | V Boys
Soccer: North Branch
@ Cambridge-Isanti

STAFF
DEVELOPMENT
DAY (NO SCHOOL)

29
TUESDAY

4:00PM | Cross Country
Running @ Purple Hawk
GC

4:00PM | 7/8 Girls
Volleyball: St. Francis vs
North Branch (A/B)

4:00PM | JV/V Girls
Tennis: St. Francis vs
North Branch

5:00PM | 9A/B
Volleyball: Zimmerman
vs North Branch

5:30PM | B/JV
Volleyball: Zimmerman
vs North Branch

7:00PM | V Volleyball:
Zimmerman vs North
Branch

NEON DAY

30
WEDNESDAY

4:30PM | Pickleball
Palooza

6:00PM | PowderBuff
Volleyball

7:00PM | PowderPuff
Football

ADAM SANDLER
DAY

1
THURSDAY

4:30PM | 9 Football:
Hermantown vs North
Branch

5:00PM | V Girls
Soccer: North Branch
@ Chisago Lakes

7:00PM | V Girls
Volleyball: North
Branch @
Cambridge-Isanti

7:00PM | V Boys
Soccer: North Branch
@ Chisago Lakes

TWIN DAY

2
FRIDAY

3:15PM | Homecoming
Parade

4:00PM | Homecoming
Tailgating

6:00PM | V Football:
Duluth East vs North
Branch

8:30PM | Homecoming
Fireworks

9:00PM | Homecoming
Dance

NB VIKINGS
SPIRIT DAY

3
SATURDAY

8:30AM | JV Girls Tennis:
Mississippi 8 @ St.
Francis

1:00PM | V Girls Soccer:
Duluth Denfeld vs North
Branch

NORTH BRANCH AREA HIGH SCHOOL

Developing an ecosystem of opportunities

Workforce Development Month

- **Every Viking Story is unique:** Students are discovering different opportunities, interests, and pathways as they shape what comes next.
- **Chamber of Commerce Meeting:** Opportunity to share Tori's Viking Story and highlight how students are connecting learning with their future.
- **Economic Development Authority Meeting:** Three additional Viking Stories will showcase students exploring work-based learning, skilled trades, college courses, and career pathways.
- The City of North Branch recently recognized North Branch Area Public Schools with a proclamation honoring our leadership and partnership in workforce development.
- **National Stage:** September 20–21, I will share North Branch's workforce development ecosystem at the AASA Superintendent Symposium in Washington, D.C.



Please consider attending!



Jewels and JEANS!

THE PERFECT 10 GALA
THE ANNUAL FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT
ISD-138 NORTH BRANCH AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**SATURDAY
October 10th**
Doors open at 5pm

FEATURING
A.J. SPOFF

Invisible Wounds Building
840 Lake St S
Forest Lake, MN 55025, USA

Tickets (\$70) on sale now at
WWW.NBAEF.ORG
Purchase Deadline - September 28th

**THE ULTIMATE EVENING OF
IMPACT AND ELEGANCE.**

NORTH BRANCH AREA EDUCATION FOUNDATION
Connecting Community: Empowering Education Since 2008

Scan Here for Tickets

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Dedicated to enhancing opportunities to achieve excellence
for students of North Branch Area Public Schools ISD-138

OVER \$33,000
AWARDED IN 2026 TOWARDS:

- LED Microscopes for Sunrise River Elementary
- Drone Maker Kits for Sunrise River Elementary
- Building Future Innovators - STEM Toys/Manipulatives
- Engaging Books for Early Literacy Learners
- Middle School - Fitness Initiative
- My First Book Club at Sunrise River Elementary
- DAPE Bicycles for the Physical Education Department
- Translator Devices to Support Elementary English Language Learners
- Outdoor Classroom Improvements for North Branch Preschool students
- NBAHS Aerial Drone Competition
- Community Service Projects at the Norse ALC
- Mentoring and Leadership Programs at NBMS
- Cyber Savvy Microbit Kits
- Attendance and Academic Motivation Project at NBHS
- Outdoor Adventures & Experience at NBHS
- 3D Printers for the NBMS Science Team

**Since 2010, the NBAEF has raised over \$666,623
and the Endowment Fund has raised over
\$317,000 in support of NBAPS ISD-138!**

**For more information
www.nbaef.org**

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