

June 8, 2026

Chris Fenske
Lakeview School District
875 N Barstad Rd
Cottonwood MN 56229

Hi, Chris,

On behalf of MREA's 239 public school district members, thank you for your district's membership that helps us proactively engage with legislators and state officials to address Greater Minnesota P-12 education funding and policy issues. With the 2025-26 school year behind us, Lakeview School District's renewed membership for the 2026-27 school year is fundamental to MREA's advocacy targeting student learning and funding gaps.

Advocacy Focused on Greater Minnesota Education

MREA is your district's voice at the Capitol, and we advocate with education officials and legislators representing Lakeview School District to inform them of potential impacts of their decisions.

Our recent successes for rural education include:

- New Seasonal Recreational Tax Base Replacement Aid
- Permanent School Trust Fund on November's Ballot for Additional Funding for Every Student
- \$10M for Compensatory Hold Harmless Support
- \$12.5M for Student Mental Health Support
- Expanding Allowable Uses in Operating Capital to Include Utility Costs
- *Check out all our recent Accomplishments on the enclosed flyer.*

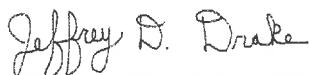
Count on MREA to work for your district outside the Capitol, too, with:

- Professional development and networking at our Greater Education Summit
- Valuable resources like Truth in Taxation webinar and templates, Franklin Covey leadership training, and more
- Elevating rural programs and people through Educators of Excellence and Innovation Program Awards

Looking Ahead to a Successful 2027

Looking ahead to the 2027 legislative session, we know that when we work together, we succeed together. The Voice for Greater Minnesota Education has never been stronger, and we sincerely appreciate Lakeview School District's renewed membership. Please send your membership dues and updated contact information by July 15 to ensure our rural voice remains impactful.

Best wishes for a summer of well-being,



Jeff Drake, MREA Board President
Superintendent, Fergus Falls Schools



Fred Nolan, MREA Interim Executive Director



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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL INVOICE

Invoice Number: 2627-5000-1528-01

Invoice Date: June 8, 2026

Payment Due: July 15, 2026

Amount Due: \$1875.00

Bill to
Lakeview School District
Chris Fenske
875 N Barstad Rd
Cottonwood, MN 56229

Items	Quantity	Price	Amount
2026-27 ISD 2167 Membership July 1 - June 30			
• Base Fee*	1	\$1100	\$1100.00
• Legislative Fee \$1/APU (maximum of \$1400)	775 APU	\$775	\$775.00
Total			\$1875.00
Amount Due			\$1875.00

*Districts sharing superintendents must each join MREA to receive discounted Base Fee of \$825. Contact MREA if Shared District has changed. ** If your district is in SOD, please reach out to MREA for reduced payment options.

CONTACT INFORMATION (Please review and update)

District Name: Lakeview School District
Primary Contact: Chris Fenske
Contact Position Title: Superintendent
Contact Email: chrisfenske@lakeview2167.com
District Phone: 507 - 423-5164
***Shared District:**

Superintendent Cell Phone: NEEDED
Principal Place of Business: 875 N Barstad Rd
City, State, Zip: Cottonwood, MN 56229
Website Address: www.lakeview2167.com
County:
****SOD:** No

SIGNATURE _____ **Date** _____

Signature is consent to membership and to receive member notices at primary contact's email address.

QUESTIONS? Contact Amanda Cisar, Operations Director, at (320) 762-6574.

MREA is a nonprofit 501(c)(4) membership association and dues are not tax deductible as charitable contributions. We estimate 49.3% of FY27 dues will be attributable to non-deductible lobbying activity and are not deductible under Internal Revenue Code Section 162 as an ordinary and necessary business expense. Notify your accountant and/or tax preparer.

Thank you for your continued membership!
Please remit check, **payable to MREA at NEW address: PO Box 10, Moose Lake, MN 55767.**