



# PELICAN RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

HOME OF THE VIKINGS

## PRHS Principal's Report to the School Board

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

**Be the Light: See the good. Make a difference. Work for amazing.**

### Student Enrollment

	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	May 26
<b>Grade 7</b>	52	52	51	50	50	51	52				
<b>Grade 8</b>	64	63	63	62	62	62	61				
<b>Grade 9</b>	63	69	68	68	67	68	69				
<b>Grade 10</b>	70	72	71	72	72	72	69				
<b>Grade 11</b>	73	72	73	72	72	72	74				
<b>Grade 12</b>	82	79	79	79	79	79	79				
<b>Total</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>404</b>				

### Safe Routes to Schools Update

We were approved to start the purchasing process for our bike fleet.

- The bike trailer was purchased and delivered
- Bikes and bike equipment quotes are waiting for approval from MnDOT

### Congratulations to our Senior High Math Team

In their Section 6A, Pelican Rapids placed 1st place for the third consecutive meet. Due to this success, the Vikings Math Team has clinched their opportunity to go to the State Meet. The State Meet is on March 11 at Spring Lake Park High School.

The only teams that bested Pelican Rapids were Fergus Falls (56) and Moorhead (55). Pelican beat Alexandria (52) by a close margin. Pelican bested the smaller school teams by a considerable 14-point margin.

### Congratulations to One Act Play Members

Their performance of "I Don't Want to Talk About it" by Bradley Hayward at the subsection meet was their best show to date! It was a four-way tie for second place, but after crunching the numbers and more judges' deliberation, we ended up with 3rd place. They did not advance to the section meet, but they had a great season.

### Military Appreciation Day

On February 9, juniors and seniors listened to members of the armed forces talk about what each branch has to offer. Students also had time to visit each table to ask more specific questions. At

the boys' basketball game, the armed forces members returned with booths in the hallways to answer questions from community members and parents. Military members were honored at the beginning of the varsity game and with the color guard presenting colors while the Chamber Choir sang the "Star Spangled Banner".

Special thanks to Pastor Eric Schwirian, Jim Clemenson, and Mrs. Lage for their work in making this day happen.

### **2024-25 School Year Registration**

Thank you to Mrs. Lage for your guidance with our students as they plan their schedules for next year. Mrs. Lage will review important topics with students including: reading a transcript, tracking credits, requirements for a schedule change, and keeping the end in mind.

### **CDL Course Offering**

Students will be able to complete the written portion of the licensure requirements through MState. We are working with local businesses to help offset road and range costs of the program.

### **Class of 2024 Senior Privileges**

Below are the senior privilege requests from the Class of 2024:

- With the one-time prior written permission of their parents/guardian AND a C or above in ALL Quarter 4 classes, seniors may leave the school building during any scheduled study hall. Seniors MUST sign in/out of the office.
- Only seniors will be dismissed at the first lunch bell for Quarter 4. No other students may enter the Commons until the second bell.
- With a one-time prior written permission of their parents, any senior may have open lunch from 11:59-12:31. Students need to leave and enter through Door 8 (Media Center) or Door 1 (Office).
- Between the hours of 7:30 am and 3:30 pm, the front row of the west parking lot is reserved for seniors. Signs will be posted.
- Seniors are allowed to leave from Grad Band Rehearsal beginning May 14. Dresses and tuxes must be turned in and any band-related fees must be paid before this privilege begins.
- Seniors with an 85% or better average in a class for Quarter 3 AND 4 do not need to take a final test for that class or be present in school during the class the last 3 days of school (May 20-22).
- An all-senior BBQ will be hosted by the kitchen staff on May 16.

### **Be the Light**

Thursday Winter Chill Days for Staff

Sweetheart Week + Staff vs. Students Basketball + Rock, Paper, Scissors Challenge

Student Council serves up hot cocoa bar

FAFSA presentation for seniors

Monthly District Yoga @ 108 Yoga

CAD class competes for Wall of Fame

College Public Speaking gives final speeches...a toast or acceptance!

**Upcoming Events**

February 16: No School

February 19: Parent/Teacher Conferences (1:00-7:00 pm)

March 15: End of Quarter 3

March 18: No School (Teacher Workshop)

March 29-April 1: Spring Break (No School)