



Mission: Empowering students to be life-long learners and productive citizens through the use of a comprehensive curriculum with high expectations in a safe 21st Century learning environment.

Vision: A community in continuous pursuit of educational excellence for all.

## ***Aitkin Schools Update.....“This is Gobbler Country!”***

7-27-18

On July 16th, the Board approved the hire of Terrance Dox as our new food service director. Terrance is coming to us with years of experience as the head chef at Rutgers. It won't be easy to fill the shoes left behind by Vic Keil but Terrance will sure give it his best. Welcome Terry!

On July 24th, the Board approved my resignation. Admittedly, the timing is bad and because of the timing the Board has set this path to the next Superintendent. The Board will look to find an Interim, using School Exec Connect, for the 18-19 SY and then do a full search for the next Superintendent of Aitkin School in December/January for the 19-20 SY.

At the 24th meeting, the Board also began the process of developing a site plan for the property south of town. The Board entered into an agreement with ICS (formerly FJJ), WSN, ARI and ONE to begin the work to prepare the site for buildings. No time frame has been set for building work as it first needs to be determined where the buildings and fields can go on the property.

Speaking of buildings, the Phase I project at the High School continues to move forward. Great progress has been made. Follow the progress at the link below.

### [AHS Remodel Presentation](#)

Over the last two evenings many of our Gobbler's have lifted literally tons of weight. Several records were broken and \$8,500 was raised for the American Legion. Check out the upcoming Age for full details. Thanks Walt for the pictures. Coach Sean Smith would like to send a thanks to everyone who made the Lift-a -thon happen. Special thanks to Stacy Westerlund, Kellie Janzen, Brita Williams, Tiffani Kullhem and Jeremy Janzen for orchestrating the whole night.

