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From the desk of the Superintendant, Mr. Todd Lee:

Dear Swanville School District Community,

As the leaves change and autumn fully settles in, I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible work, energy, and commitment happening across our district every single day. From our classrooms to our athletic fields and campus facilities, there is a tremendous sense of pride and progress throughout Swanville.

First and foremost, I want to share an exciting update regarding our facility improvements. I am pleased to report that Phase 2 of our ongoing construction project is moving ahead right on schedule and within budget. This phase represents a major step forward in modernizing our physical learning environments, upgrading key infrastructure, and ensuring our students and staff have access to safe, state-of-the-art facilities. Watching these plans come to life is inspiring, and we are deeply grateful to our entire community for supporting these important capital improvements.

We also recently wrapped up our Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences. I want to extend a sincere thank you to all the parents, guardians, and family members who took time out of their busy schedules to attend. Strong partnerships between home and school are essential for student success, and seeing so many of you actively engaged in your children's educational journey reinforces what makes Swanville such a special community.

Equally important, I want to express my deep gratitude to our outstanding teachers and educational staff. Preparing for and hosting conferences while maintaining high-quality instruction requires immense energy, care, and dedication. Thank you to our teachers for the hard work they do for our students every single day. Your passion and patience truly form the foundation of our district's success.

In addition to our academic and facility milestones, our student-athletes have given us plenty of reasons to celebrate! Our Swanville athletic teams are performing great this season, demonstrating exceptional skill, teamwork, and sportsmanship. Whether competing at home or on the road, our student-athletes represent our school and town with tremendous pride and grit. We are so proud of them, as well as the tireless efforts of our coaches, support staff, and student fans who cheer them on.

I would also like to take this opportunity to recognize and thank the members of our Swanville School Board. Their dedication, leadership, and hard work behind the scenes ensure our district remains focused on excellence, fiscal responsibility, and student achievement. We are fortunate to have a school board so deeply committed to the well-being of our schools.

As we move forward through the school year, our shared goal remains focused on fostering a safe, engaging, and supportive environment where every student can thrive. Thank you once again to our parents, teachers, board members, and community for your unwavering support of Swanville Public Schools.

Todd Lee
Superintendent



STATEWIDE SCHOOL FUNDING

BALLOT QUESTION



**See what this question
is about on page 10.**

Greetings from the desk of Principal Johnson:

We are so happy to be back in school with all of our friends! The year got started with a bang and we haven't looked back! We had a great homecoming week with lots of activities, including Homecoming Olympics in grades 7-12, dress up days, pep fests, dance contests and back for a return-Powder Puff Football and Gridiron Volleyball. Sports seasons are wrapping up, stay tuned to our school website and social media pages for updates on playoffs. Go Bulldogs and Patriots! If you haven't downloaded the new Bound app, I highly recommend that you do. It's super helpful for staying current on events for students of all ages. Speaking of apps, are you set up with Infinite Campus? This is our way of staying connected with families about grades, attendance and so much more. If you are not set up, please contact the office to do so! First quarter will be wrapping up soon. As always, if you have questions or concerns about your students education please feel free to reach out to me.

Phone number: 320-547-5104

Email: sjohnson@swanville.k12.mn.us

Respectfully,
Sheryl Johnson
PK-12 Principal



School SCOOP



Welcome to Our New Staff!

We are excited to welcome six new members to the Swanville School family this school year! From the classroom to student support and the facilities team, each of these new staff members brings unique experience, talents, and enthusiasm to our school. Please join us in giving a warm Bulldog welcome to:

					
HOLLY JOHNSON	LINDSAY CHANDLER	PAUL Uрман	GAVIN SAWYER	EUGENE CLARK	TYLER THIESCHAFER
READING CORE	BAND & ELEMENTARY MUSIC	SOCIAL STUDIES	5TH GRADE	PARA	HEAD CUSTODIAN
We're excited to have Holly join our team and support our students in their reading journey!	We're thrilled to have Lindsay sharing her love of music with our students!	We're excited to welcome Paul to our social studies team and look forward to the impact he'll have in the classroom!	We're happy to have Gavin joining our elementary team and can't wait to see the positive influence he'll have on our 5th graders!	We're excited to have Eugene as part of our team and appreciate the support he provides to our students!	We're thankful to have Tyler leading our custodial team and helping keep our school a great place to learn and grow!

We are so happy to have them as part of our school community and look forward to the many ways they will contribute to our students and Swanville School! 🐾

Students – find YOUR place at SWANVILLE SCHOOL!

Did you know just HOW MANY activities, clubs, and organizations are available to students at Swanville School? Whether you're looking to try something new, discover a new interest, build friendships, develop your talents, or simply get more involved, there are plenty of opportunities to find something that's right for you!

Check out some of the great activities and organizations available to our students:

- Football (paired with Upsala)
- Volleyball
- Boys/Girls Basketball
- Wrestling - boys & girls (co-op with Little Falls)
- Gymnastics (co-op with Albany)
- Girls Hockey (co-op with Long Prairie/Sauk Centre)
- Softball
- Baseball (paired with Upsala)
- Boys/Girls Track and Field (paired with Upsala)

- Robotics
- Trapshooting
- 4th-6th Grade Knowledge Bowl
- Play Production
- Band
- Student Council
- FFA (Future Farmers of America)
- Super Mileage Club



Hair Heroes: Small Styles, Big Smiles!



Hair Heroes is a fun, volunteer-led program at Swanville School designed to bring smiles, confidence, and a little extra joy to our elementary students! Before the school day begins, girls in grades K–6 can stop by to have their hair styled with braids, ponytails, clips, and other fun creations. We also host special events throughout the year where boys can join in the fun with temporary hair color, mohawks, and school spirit styles!



Our goal is simple: to help students start their day feeling special, confident, and ready to learn!

Hair Heroes is made possible through generous donations and amazing volunteers. We're always looking for more helping hands, and no hairstyling experience is necessary!



Visit [Swanville MN Hair heroes](#) on Facebook for additional information and the sign-up link! *Small acts of kindness can make a big difference in a child's day!*



Making Us Proud

Congratulations to our September Elementary Students of the Month!



Front Row: Lyla Becker, Elaine Scherping, Calvin Crosby, Ruth Baum, Cora Crosby, Ruby Schultz, and Felix Bonrud-Alvarez.

Back Row: Kalison Rocheleau, Kate Civilla, Lynell Larson, Kaiden Harden, Becket Gerads, Ryder Johnson and Elly Jensen.

Not pictured: Dawson DeFoe.



Ellen Hutchins
9th grade



Ronelle Hasse
12th grade



Congratulations to our September Junior High and Senior High Students of the Month! We look forward to sharing more about these outstanding students and their accomplishments in our next newsletter. Stay tuned!


Bulldog NATION

Patriot PRIDE

SEPTEMBER
VOLLEYBALL
Junior High Volleyball: Mabel Hollermann & Lucy Hagstrom

Coaches Nicollet Opatz & Hannah Benkowski – “Mabel is an 8th grader this year and has played with JH for the past three years. In those three years, we’ve had the privilege to watch her grow not only as an individual, but also as a quality teammate. She knows how to bring positivity, encouragement, energy, effort & leadership to every game or practice. We often catch ourselves saying, “Every team needs a Mabel!”

Lucy, a 7th grader, has shown incredible teamwork and effort her first year in JH volleyball. She has stepped up to learn new skills and while learning, she continues to encourage others to try their best. Lucy is a positive influence on the team by always smiling, accepting mistakes with grace, & adjusting to changes that occur in games and practices. Lucy’s positive attitude and enthusiasm to learn makes her a fun player to have part of the Swanville Bulldogs Volleyball program!” Congratulations Mabel and Lucy!

C Team: Chloe Leyendecker

C Coach Lucas Miller - “Chloe is chosen because of her hard work, positive attitude, & dedication to the team. She is always willing to learn, works hard during practice, & encourages her teammates. Chloe showed great selflessness by switching from right side to setter to help make our team better. She continues to grow as a player and is willing to do whatever it takes to support her team. She is a great example of what it means to be a hardworking and supportive teammate!” Congratulations Chloe!

JV Team: Guadalupe Lopez-Ojeda

JV Coach Mackenzie Morris – “Guadalupe, 9th grade, is a great teammate who is always willing to do whatever the team needs. Lupe brings a positive attitude to practice & games, works hard, & never hesitates to go after the ball. She leads by example & is a positive role model for her teammates both on & off the court.” Congratulations Lupe!

Varsity: Ali Barthel

Head Coach Marissa Murphy – “Ali, a junior, works hard every day to be the best player, leader and teammate she can be. And if you know volleyball, you know being a setter is no easy job. You’re helping call the plays, executing them, expected to get to that second touch on nearly every rally (regardless of where the pass takes you) and still responsible for putting your hitters in the best position to finish the play. On top of that, you have to stay sharp defensively because there’s no DS (defensive specialist) coming in to take over your back-row responsibilities. That’s a lot of pressure and Ali continues to rise to it. She leads with positivity, lifts up the people around her, is incredibly coachable, and is always willing to put in the work. She takes feedback, makes adjustments, and continues pushing herself to grow for the good of the team.” Congratulations Ali!



Pictured left: Ali Barthel
Pictured right: Chloe Leyendecker,
Guadalupe Lopez-Ojeda, Lucy
Hagstrom & Mabel Hollermann.


FOOTBALL
Junior High Football: Logan Miller & Gabe Dempsey

Coaches Chris Kircher & Luke Peterson – “7th grader, Logan, has been a consistent performer for the Patriots. He works hard every day to be better on offense and defense and he has continuously improved each day! He is a true team player, never complains and does things the Patriot Way.

Gabe, an 8th grader, works hard each day. Not only making himself better, but also his teammates. He has a positive attitude and will do whatever is asked of him. Gabe is always one of the first to help out when needed! Both men are true team players and play the Patriot Way!” Congratulations Logan and Gabe!

JV Team: Noah Van Heel

Head Coach Jay Loven – “Sophomore, Noah Van Heel, has been an outstanding player for not only the JV team, but on special teams on the varsity. His hard work has earned him more playing time on the varsity defense where he continues to show tremendous aggressiveness.” Congratulations Noah!



Pictured left: Noah Van Heel,
Logan Miller & Gabe Dempsey.
Pictured right: Isaac Gapinski

**Varsity: Isaac Gapinski**

Head Coach Jay Loven – “USA football would like to congratulate senior Isaac Gapinski, September Athlete of the Month. Isaac is a 2-year starter at offensive tackle and is a captain for the Patriots. Isaac has been a consistent presence on the offensive line and has shown great leadership on and off the field. He has performed very well in the first 2 games this season in which the Patriots have won both matchups.” Congratulations Isaac!

OCTOBER
 VOLLEYBALL
Junior High Volleyball: Allie Giese, Lilah Moore, Alice Notsch & Brisa Juarez

JH Coaches Nicollet Gammon-Deering and Hannah Benkowski – “Allie, a 7th grader, is a spunky & vibrant athlete to have on our team.

She hustles, gives 100% in everything she does, & does it with a smile on her face (on & off the court!) Allie has grown so much this season as an athlete & as a teammate. Not only has she gained so much personal confidence, she spreads the confidence to others by always speaking positively in an effort to uplift her teammates, which ultimately leads to a united effort from the entire team. She is a leader within the team who wants to see everyone be successful. We are proud of the hard work, dedication, & grit Allie has put in this season to become a strong Bulldog athlete!

Lilah, a 7th grader, is an outstanding athlete who puts effort into every move she makes on the court. If she makes an error she takes it with grace, moves on, & rather than feeling defeated, places positivity on the court! Lilah has a passion for the game & a drive to be the strongest version of herself. She spends extra time in the gym working on her skills, asks how she can become a stronger teammate, & adapts to changes thrown at her. Lilah is a strong asset to our team in more ways than one. We cannot wait to see where her future takes her!

Alice is an 8th grader this year & I have had the privilege to coach her for 3 years. She is exceedingly positive & kind. Alice is a great teammate who always encourages others, gives her best effort, & continues to grow as a player. Her leadership, sportsmanship, & dedication to the team make her such a great teammate. Rarely ever does she stop smiling. We can't wait to see what she can do in years to come!

Brisa, an 8th grader, is the definition of hard working. She takes corrective feedback from coaches with grace & works to get better every practice. Brisa is a great team player that is willing to encourage others & be a listening ear to all teammates. She is kind, positive, respectful & a good role model. She is a joy to have on our team and be around!” Congratulations Allie, Lilah, Alice and Brisa!

C Team: Ellen Hutchins

C Coach Lucas Miller – “Ellen, a freshman, brings energy and positivity to the team. She is always encouraging her teammates, celebrating their successes, and lifting them up when things get tough. Her strong work ethic, dedication, and determination to improve make her a great team player and a positive influence on those around her. Ellen is very deserving of Athlete of the Month!”

Congratulations Ellen!



Pictured left: Allison Bernadot
Pictured right: Brisa Juarez, Alice Notsch, Allie Giese, Ellen Hutchins, Ave Beta & Lilah Moore



JV Team: Isabella Miller

JV Coach Mackenzie Morris – “Isabella is a junior this year. As captain, she does a great job of communicating with her teammates and helping them make adjustments when needed. She does an excellent job of reading the ball and communicating on the court, which helps her teammates stay prepared and work together. Isabella brings great energy to the team, and her leadership and hard work make her someone we can always count on.” Congratulations Isabella!

Varsity: Allison Bernadot & Ava Beto

Head Coach Marissa Murphy – “Seniors, Allie and Ava cover our right side. The position requires both of them to get the job done. Allie and Ava continue to not only push themselves to be the best teammates & players they can be, but they also work extra hard to bring the energy to the team and lift others up around them. Their contagious energy makes a difference when things are going well and when things aren't going our way. In addition to their coachability, strong work ethic, & positive energy, they demonstrate resilience & accountability well. They do not let mistakes define them & consistently showcase the “next ball” mentality that is so important in the game of volleyball. Both girls have a commute for school & volleyball and always show up. Even if it means early/late drives, or having to stay with friends in the area to make it work. Ava makes big saves in her defensive position and Allie makes big plays happen in her offensive position.” Congratulations Allison and Ava!

**Junior High Football: Matthew Van Heel & Leo Thieschafer**

JH Coaches Chris Kircher & Luke Peterson – “Matthew, 7th grade, has been a constant performer working hard everyday to be better on offense and defense. Matthew is a true team player and never complains. 8th grader, Leo Thieschafer, has done a great job for our team. He always has a positive attitude and is a joy to coach. He works hard & encourages his teammates to be the best they can be. Both men are true team players and play the Patriot Way!”

Congratulations Matthew and Leo!



Pictured above: Dawson Hasse, Matthew Van Heel & Leo Thieschafer. Pictured below: Colby Twardowski

JV Team: Dawson Hasse

Head Coach Jay Loven – “Dawson is a sophomore fullback and middle linebacker. As a sophomore, he started strictly on JV but has done so well that he has worked his way into the varsity line up as a backup. His ability to analyze plays at linebacker is a gift that not many players have. He will continue to be an asset for the remainder of the season and beyond.” Congratulations Dawson!

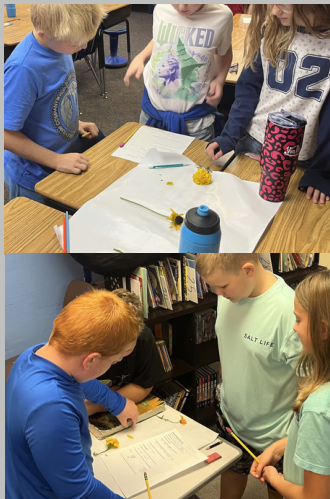
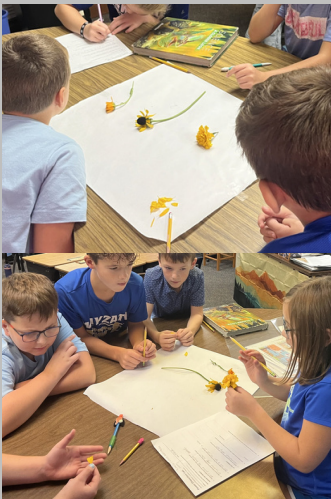
Varsity: Colby Twardowski

Head Coach Jay Loven – “USA football is proud to announce that senior Colby Twardowski has been named Athlete of the Month for the Patriots. Colby is a defensive end for the Patriots and has been doing an outstanding job. He is a 2-year starter and has made great strides! Colby has arguably been the best defensive end in our district this year!” Congratulations Colby!



Classroom HIGHLIGHTS

Mrs. Wimmer's 4th graders explored the world of plants through hands-on flower dissection! Students examined flower parts up close, deepening their understanding of plant structures and the plant life cycle. An added bonus, they collected the seeds to plant in the Spring.



Don't Miss It!

SWANVILLE HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS



Come to see famous characters like Zeus, Hades, Persephone, and Orion come to life with a modern twist.

Written by
Craig Sodaro

Produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Denver, Colorado

Friday & Saturday
Nov. 20 & 21 at 7pm

Swanville School
Auditorium

Adults: \$5 Students: \$3
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Join us for the
first meeting:
Monday, Nov. 9th
8:00 PM (following the
students' FFA meeting)
In Ms. Schultz's Ag room
at Swanville School



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BLANKETS for a GREAT CAUSE!

Swanville School students will be traveling to
Greece and Italy
in March 2027!

Support them by making a donation
or purchasing a blanket!

Thank you for supporting our Swanville students! ❤️❤️



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MAKES A
DIFFERENCE

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320-547-5100

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BULLDOG WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULE



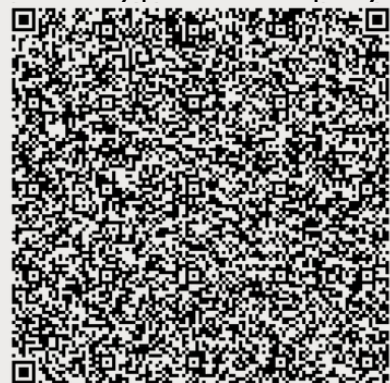
Want the most up-to-date sports schedule?
Check **BOUND**!



Sports schedules can change, sometimes at the last minute. **BOUND** is the go-to app and website for Swanville sports schedules, including the latest game times, locations, and schedule changes. Before heading out to a game, be sure to check **BOUND** for the most current information! Scan the QR code to visit **BOUND** and stay up to date!



Want a paper copy? You can also visit **BOUND** online and print the monthly sports schedules to keep handy!



BOUND

Community CONNECT



**There's a Place for
Everyone in Our Community!**



Swanville School is tremendously supported by groups of people both in and around our community, working together to best help educate our children. Because of these incredible groups, our district does not have a traditional PTA. If you are wondering how you can better support our students, feel free to reach out to any of these amazing groups of people and talk with them more about what they do and how you can get involved. (We apologize if we accidentally missed a group or two who support us - Please contact Hannah Van Heel at 320-630-7153 (text/call) or hvanheel@swanville.k12.mn.us to be added to this list!)

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS WHO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

- **Swanville Innovative School Project** - Formed in 2019 with the sole mission of promoting a collaboration between the Swanville School and Community in raising funds to support teachers in new ways of teaching and meeting growing educational needs. Over \$97,000 has been granted to teachers since inception. To support, consider a direct contribution, purchasing a carnival t-shirt or joining the board or a committee. They are actively looking for new board members. For more information, please contact President Teresa Giese at 320-360-4726.
- **Swanville Athletics Booster Club (SAB)** - The Swanville Athletics Booster Club supports the athletic programs of Swanville School. From upgrading equipment to helping develop our facilities, they are constantly looking for ways to improve the experience of Swanville athletes and the Swanville community as a whole. Thanks to the support of SAB, all students can participate in school activities for little to no cost. There are several ways to support SAB, including attending the meat raffles held every Saturday from 6-7 p.m. at Shady's Shooters Saloon in Swanville, participating in the annual cash raffle held each spring, or becoming a SAB member. For more information, contact SAB President Jason Lee at (320) 547-5110 or jlee@swanville.k12.mn.us.
- **Swanville Dollars for Scholars** - DFS has been providing scholarships to Swanville graduating seniors since 1987. Every student who has ever applied has received a scholarship to support post-secondary education. \$1.2M has been awarded in scholarships from inception. To support, consider a matching scholarship, purchasing a birthday calendar or poinsettia, or becoming an ambassador or board member. In addition, charitable gambling at Burtrum Cabooze, Shady's Golden Eagle and Hub Supper Club all support the DFS. For more information, please contact President Teresa Giese at 320-360-4726.
- **Swanville Sportsman's Club** - The Sportsman's Wildlife Protective Club of Swanville was incorporated in 1939 to promote social, educational, and recreation opportunities for our community. The club encourages fishing, hunting, sport shooting, caring for wildlife, & fish stocking. In 2017 the club rekindled & has become active in our community again. The club is responsible for creating and funding the Swanville High School trap team, promoting the 5th & 6th grade ice fishing day, and providing easier and safer fishing opportunities for the youth and elderly in our community. For more information, please contact Treasurer Dale Lambrecht at 952-797-6825.
- **Tools for Schools** - Supported by the United Way of Morrison County, funds are raised annually to purchase backpacks and school supplies for families in need. All supplies are delivered to the office before school starts so every student has all tools for success for the school year. To support, consider a direct donation to the program (all funds raised stay dedicated to Swanville School). For more information, please contact former board member and local ambassador Teresa Giese at 320-360-4726.
- **Post Prom Committee** - Each year, a group of student parents comes together to create a safe and fun environment for students to gather after prom. The group typically consists of parents of 10th-12th graders, but anyone is welcome to join and help. Committee members may change from year to year, often based on which parents have students attending prom. Fundraisers are held throughout the year to help raise money for the event, and occasional meetings are held to plan food, entertainment, activities, and prizes for the evening of prom. If you are interested in joining the committee or helping with Post Prom, please contact the school office for more information.
- **Lions Club** - Over 100 local men meet twice per month and focus on serving our entire community, with a large focus on the school. The Lions annually donate hundreds of hours doing community services and financial donations to many charitable organizations in the area. To support, go to the annual Mid-Summer Carnival, attend the annual fishing contest, or consider becoming a member. For more information, please contact Bruce Fahlen at brucefahlen1@yahoo.com.
- **Swanville Women's Civic Club** - Founded in 1920, the Swanville Women's Civic Club has served the community for more than 100 years. Their projects include supporting the Swanville Library, numerous school projects, making donations for school events, and providing scholarships to local students. The club also supports the Todd and Morrison County Food Shelves, Habitat for Humanity, United Way, Hands of Hope, and Christmas projects for children. Their only fundraiser is a booth at the annual Mid-Summer Carnival, where they sell homemade pies, pizza, and malts. If you are interested in becoming a member and helping with these projects, you can contact any club member or Secretary Connie Olson at 320-232-5462.
- **COMING SOON! FFA Boosters** (FFA Alumni & Supporters) - Join the first meeting to see what it's about! See the ad on page 8

Understanding Minnesota's Permanent School Fund and Proposed Modernization

By Todd Lee

Superintendent, Swanville School District

As public school educators and community members, our priority is always to ensure that our students receive a high-quality education backed by reliable, sustainable funding. One of Minnesota's most valuable, long-standing, and often misunderstood resources supporting this mission is the Minnesota Permanent School Fund (PSF).

With an upcoming constitutional amendment on the ballot regarding how revenue from this fund is managed and allocated, I want to take a moment to explain what the Permanent School Fund is, how it directly supports students in Swanville, and what the proposed modernization efforts mean for our community.

What is the Permanent School Fund?

The Permanent School Fund is a constitutional trust established when Minnesota became a state in 1858. When Minnesota joined the Union, the federal government set aside specific sections of land in every township to generate revenue for public education.

Today, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) manages these trust lands—which cover millions of acres—through timber sales, mineral mining, land leases, and real estate transactions. The proceeds from these activities are deposited into the trust, where the principal is invested by the Minnesota State Board of Investment. The investment earnings are then distributed annually to public school districts and charter schools across the state on a per-pupil basis.

Key Facts About the Permanent School Fund

To help clarify the fund's role and the proposed constitutional amendment, here are several essential facts every voter and resident should know:

- **Longstanding History:** The Permanent School Fund has continuously supported Minnesota public schools for over 160 years, dating back to statehood in 1858.
- **Direct Statewide Support:** It currently provides annual revenue distributions to every public school district and charter school in Minnesota, including Swanville Public Schools. These dollars go directly into our general fund to support classroom instruction, learning materials, and student services.
- **Zero Tax Impact:** The constitutional amendment proposal does not increase property taxes, income taxes, sales taxes, or any other tax. It strictly addresses how existing funds within the trust are calculated and distributed.
- **Bipartisan & Nonpartisan Consensus:** The proposed modernization recommendation was developed by a nonpartisan task force—including educational stakeholders and financial experts—and received strong bipartisan legislative support before being placed on the ballot.
- **Modernizing Distribution for Future Generations:** The proposal aims to update outdated constitutional rules governing how earnings are calculated. This change allows for more stable and optimized annual distributions to current students while keeping the core principal protected for future generations.

Why Modernization Matters Now

Under current restrictions written decades ago, the distribution formula is limited primarily to traditional interest and dividend earnings. Modern financial management practices recognize that total return—combining interest, dividends, and capital growth—is a far more effective way to grow a trust while providing steady income.

By updating the distribution formula to reflect modern investment standards, Minnesota can increase funding for today's classroom needs without depleting the fund's principal. This balances our responsibility to support our current students in Swanville with our sacred duty to preserve this endowment for students 50 and 100 years from now.

Final Thoughts

The Permanent School Fund is a remarkable legacy gifted to us by Minnesota's founders. It provides reliable, non-tax revenue that benefits every student in our state. As we continue working to provide the best educational experience possible for Swanville students, understanding how these state trust funds operate empowers our entire community.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 BK-CEREAL BAR FIESTADA PIZZA lettuce,taco sauce BROCCOLI FRUIT	3 BK-BREAKFAST PIZZA CHICKENWRAP W/FIXINGS CORN FRUIT	4 BK-CINNI MINI Mandarin Orange Chicken RICE CARROTS FRUIT	5 BK-MINI BAGEL HAM PATTY BAKED BEANS TRI-TATER FRUIT	6 BK-LONG JOHN FRENCH BREAD PIZZA DIPPING SAUCE GREEN BEANS FRUIT	7
8	9 BK-WAFFLE SNAPS BREADED PORK PATTY Mashed Potatoes/Gravy DINNER ROLL FRUIT	10 BK-SNACK BREAD SLOPPY JOE POTATO SMILES COLE SLAW FRUIT	11 BK-MINI WAFFLES Grilled Chicken Burger lettuce,tomato,chipolite BAKED BEANS, CHIPS FRUIT	12 BK-BREAKFAST ROUND QUESADILLA SALSA, SOUR CREAM CORN FRUIT	13 NO SCHOOL	14
15	16 BK-NUTRI GRAIN BAR FRENCH TOAST SAUSAGE TRI-TATER FRUIT	17 BK-PANCAKE WRAP TACOS & CHIPS W/FIXINGS CORN FRUIT	18 BK-MUFFIN CHICKEN ALFREDO GARLIC TOAST PEAS FRUIT	19 BK-BAGEL HOT DOG BAKED BEANS CHIPS FRUIT	20 CINN ROLL PIZZA CRUNCHERS MARINARA SAUCE CARROTS FRUIT	21
22	23 BK-CEREAL BAR CHICKEN NUGGETS Mashed Potatoes/Gravy CORN FRUIT	24 BK-FRUDEL HAMBURGER LETTUCE,TOMATO BAKED BEANS FRUIT	25 BK-BANANA BREAD CORN DOG POTATO SMILES GREEN BEANS, FRUIT EARLYDISMISSAL	26 HAPPY THANKSGIVING	27 NO SCHOOL	28
29	30 BK-POP TART CHICKEN STRIPS GARLIC BREAD STICK CORN FRUIT					
	Important Reminders					1% & LOW FAT CHOCOLATE MILK SERVED DAILY SALAD BAR SERVED DAILY MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 BK-MINI FRENCH TOAST BBQ RIBLET FRENCH FRIES COLE SLAW FRUIT	2 BK-YOGURT ITALIAN PASTA BREAD STICK GREEN BEANS FRUIT	3 BK-WAFFLE SUB SANDWICH W/FIXINGS BAKED BEANS FRUIT	4 BK-LONG JOHN DEEP DISH PEPPERONI PIZZA CORN FRUIT	5
6	7 BK-GRANOLA BAR FIESTADA PIZZA Lettuce, Taco sauce BROCCOLI FRUIT	8 BK-BREAKFAST PIZZA CHICKEN WRAP W/FIXINGS CORN FRUIT	9 BK-CINNI MINI Mandarin Orange Chicken RICE CARROTS FRUIT	10 BK-MINI BAGEL HAM PATTY BAKED BEANS TRI-TATER FRUIT	11 BK-BREAKFAST ROUND BOSCO STICK MARINARA SAUCE GREEN BEANS, FRUIT EARLY DISMISSAL	12
13	14 BK-WAFFLE SNAPS BREADED PORK PATTY Mashed Potatoes/Gavy DINNER ROLL FRUIT	15 BK-SNACK BREAD HAMBURGER W/TOPPINGS BAKED BEANS FRUIT	16 BK-OMELET TORTILLA FRENCH PIZZA BREAD DIPPING SAUCE CARROTS FRUIT	17 BK-MINI WAFFLES Grilled Chicken Burger lettuce,tomato,chipolte POTATO SMILES FRUIT	18 BK-CINN ROLL QUESADILLA SALSA, SOUR CREAM CORN FRUIT	19
20	21 BK-NUTRI GRAIN BAR FRENCH TOAST SAUSAGE TRI-TATER FRUIT	22 BK-PANCAKE WRAP CHICKEN PATTY CORN CHIPS FRUIT	23 BK-MUFFIN CORN DOG BAKED BEANS FRUIT EARLY DISMISSAL	24 NO SCHOOL	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS	26
27	28 NO SCHOOL	29 NO SCHOOL	30 NO SCHOOL	31 NO SCHOOL		
	Important Reminders					1% AND LOW FAT CHOCOLATE AVAILABLE DAILY SALAD BAR SERVED DAILY MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE