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Floodwood School District Provides Update on Facility Improvement Projects

Floodwood, MN – The Floodwood School District continues to make steady progress on its planned facility improvement projects, with design work complete for the HVAC Improvement Project and construction planning now focused on the upcoming bid results. These efforts reflect the District's ongoing commitment to maintaining safe, efficient, and reliable school facilities for students, staff, and the community.

Design for the HVAC Improvement Project concluded on January 16, 2026, and the project is currently out for competitive bidding. Bids are scheduled to be received on February 5, after which the District will review proposals and determine next steps. The most recent phase of work involved extensive coordination among design professionals, who were on site at the Floodwood School reviewing and finalizing details to ensure new systems will integrate properly with the existing building, meet code requirements, and support long-term performance. Final planning, coordination, and equipment ordering will take place through the spring, with construction scheduled to begin on May 1, 2026. Most work will occur during the summer months when students are not in the building, minimizing disruption to learning and school operations.

As part of the HVAC improvements, building controls will be standardized and upgraded throughout the facility. This work will be completed by the District's existing controls service provider, Jamar, and will replace aging systems and control technology with a more reliable and efficient building-wide controls platform.

The separate re-roofing project remains on track, with design work ongoing and bids anticipated by the end of February. Coordination between the roofing and HVAC projects has been carefully planned. Because the work is funded through a new state program that begins July 1, roofing construction will start after that date. While most roofing work is expected to occur during favorable weather conditions, some portions may extend into 2027 to ensure proper installation.

Site improvements, including parking lot work, also continue to move forward as part of the District's broader facilities plan. Design work is currently underway, and construction timing will be coordinated to minimize disruption to school operations and community use of the site.

The next major milestone for the District will be reviewing construction bids and confirming project schedules and scope. The Floodwood School District remains committed to thoughtful planning, clear communication, and responsible stewardship of community resources. Additional updates will be shared as the projects move closer to construction. For more information, please visit www.isd698.org or contact the district office at 218-476-2285.