



**Ada City Schools
Board of Education Meeting
March 9, 2026
Superintendent's Report**

Bond Projects and Facilities Update

We are completely out of Washington. We have recovered all the items we feel could be of use. We have reserved two AC units which will be installed on the East Gym in the future. Once approved, we will sell the portable building. At that point, the site is ready for the Demo bid. Redlands Childers and MacHill will share at the April board meeting regarding the upcoming timeline.

The wrestling facility is nearing completion on the outside shell. It is taking shape nicely. Once they are closed in, progress inside should progress quickly.

The West Gym restrooms, concessions, and lobby are also progressing nicely. New heaters have also been installed in the locker rooms and gym.

A few of the other projects taking place:

- Mr. Calhoun has salvaged the pavilion at Washington and will move it to the HS. We have plans to enclose it for a warehouse.
- We are looking at the drainage issues outside the West Gym and the South side of Hayes.
- We have received quotes for a security and fire alarm system on the ACAC and updating the alternative education building's system.
- We are currently looking at options and costs for access control on the HS Campus.
- We are working to replace Willard and the JH's intercom system.
- The HS hallways will be painted over Spring Break.
- We are dressing up the west side of Hayes entry way to be more appealing from the street.
- We are salvaging some doors from Washington to replace Hayes' entry way.
- We have received quotes to repair the foundation of the Board Office.

Student Success

Congratulations to our JH and HS Band students on their recent State Competitions. Both groups received Superiors and represented Ada very well. Our students and band directors are doing a great job.

We closed out wrestling season in February. We had four wrestlers represent us at the Oklahoma State Tournament. Makenna Howell closed out her career as a state runnerup. She is the first girl in Ada Wrestling history to be a state qualifier, state placer, and state finalist. She has set the bar for future girls to strive for. Basketball wrapped up last week as both teams fell

short of the state tournament. As we close winter sports, we are already into our Spring seasons.

Open House

Tuesday, March 10, from 4:30 to 7:30 we will conduct a community come and go open house at Redbud. This gives community members an opportunity to see what the site has to offer.

Legislation

We continue to pay close attention to several bills in the legislature this Spring.

- Reducing screen time in K-5
- Teacher pay raise of \$2500
- 3rd Grade Retention for literacy
- Districts picking up cost of concurrent enrollment
- Increasing number of required instructional days (not counting PD and PT Conferences)
- Mandates on PE time, recess time, math numeracy block
- Teacher incentive pay based on student growth
- Several bills governing adjunct teachers
- Continuing School Safety and Security Funds
- We are also keeping an eye on the State Petition regarding property taxes

Good Things

At Redbud, students and staff are focusing on learning. 4th graders recently showed strong gains on the IXL Reading Test they took. At AECC students raised money for the American Heart Association, they celebrated the Olympics with a "Go for the Gold" challenge involving many Leader in Me principles. Redbud and Hayes are collaborating and sharing Leader in Me practices and accountability notebooks. At Hayes, students are preparing to lead their parent teacher conferences. Teachers are also focusing on continuing the vertical alignment process within their building.