

**First Publication Date:
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HIAWATHA VALLEY
EDUCATION DISTRICT
NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING
REGARDING THE
CLOSING OF THE
SCHOOL BUILDING
LOCATED AT:
211 MAIN STREET,
HOKAH,
MINNESOTA 55941**

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that, as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 123B.51, the Board of Directors for the Hiawatha Valley Education District ("HVED") will conduct a public hearing regarding the necessity and practicability of closing the school building located at 211 Main Street, Hokah, Minnesota 55941.

2. The public hearing will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 13, 2025, at 1410 Bundy Boulevard, Winona, Minnesota 55987.

3. The reasons for the proposed closing of the school building include the following:

a. HVED has purchased property at 1213 Gilmore Avenue, Winona, Minnesota 55987 that will house

the special education programming currently operating in the school building at 211 Main Street.
b. The property located at 1213 Gilmore Avenue, Winona, Minnesota will provide a safer school building, more modern equipment, and the opportunity for students in HVED's various educational programs to share the same space, that will provide enhanced instructional services to students.

c. Closing the school building at 211 Main Street will provide a cost savings resulting from reductions from the duplication of staff and savings in transportation and operating costs.

4. Persons requesting to give testimony for and against the proposed closing shall be heard before the Board of Directors at the time and place designated above.

Dated this 24th day of October, 2025.

BY ORDER OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Sharleen Klennert
Clerk

Hiawatha Valley
Education District
