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New superintendent takes helm amid referendum push



Rick Aulie has come back to his roots as the new superintendent of Crosby-Ironton Schools.

By ANN SCHWARTZ

Rick Aulie, the new superintendent of Crosby-Ironton Schools, took over his new job this summer.

Born and raised in Deerwood, Aulie is a 2003 Crosby graduate. He has lived in Deerwood, Emily and Crosby.

Following high school, he achieved teacher's licenses in k-6 teaching and middle school. He worked as a kin-

dergarten teacher at Riverside Elementary in Brainerd, while he completed graduate education at St. Cloud and Southwest State Universities, enabling him to get principal and superintendent licenses.

He spent the next decade-plus working as a principal in Fosston, MN, and Pine River Backus.

"I have loved the chance to make connections with the schools' students and staff and in the community," Aulie said about what he loves about the job. "I have spent time getting to know businesses and community groups and learning everything the community has to offer our students. I have been able to reconnect with lots of known faces and get to know new faces. I have enjoyed getting to know my school board, their communication styles and what I can do to better serve them and the

school district."

Challenges he noted are helping to onboard new principals at CRES Elementary and Crosby-Ironton High School, as well as learning about school finances, the role of the superintendent and the district's strategic plan. "Every day I learn something. I am learning how to set short-term and long term priorities."

He finds it difficult to spend as much time at the elementary school as he would like to.

Aulie and his wife have four children. He likes to golf, run, do yard work and stay busy.

Referendum set

On November 4, Crosby-Ironton School District voters will have the opportunity to vote on a referendum that would bring in \$1.5 million a year for 10 years. Because of the financial constraints and cuts already

made, this would only allow them to keep what they have and not do new things, he said. "It would allow us to maintain and sustain what we have."

Polling places will be in Crosby, Deerwood, Emily and Mission. Early voting starts on Friday, Sept. 19. There are many ways to vote early and on the day of the election. There are options at the Crow Wing County Courthouse and by mail.

Previous referendums failed by about 35 votes in 2023 and 517 votes in 2024. Taxes would increase by \$26 a month on a \$400,000 home and \$13 a month on a \$200,000 home.

If the referendum fails, the board will make deep cuts, including canceling online school and college contracts, eliminating five teachers, including Family and Consumer Science, music, high

school science, foreign language and one elementary teacher.

Half of a full-time school counselor and a full time high school custodian would be eliminated.

All curriculum and supply budgets would be frozen.

Sports and activities would not be funded, included football, volleyball, cross-country skiing, tennis, basketball, dance, wrestling, track, baseball, softball and golf. Also cut will be band and choir during the day, Knowledge Bowl, National Honor Society, Prom, robotics, special Olympics, strength and conditioning and yearbook.

Those sports and activities could only continue through fundraising.

Aulie's goal is to be "transparent, clear, consistent and accurate." He returned a phone call immediately for

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Aitkin Public Schools MCA scores are on the rise with clear future goals

According to the latest Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment (MCA) scores and 2024 graduation data, Aitkin students are outperforming their peers across the region and surpassing statewide averages in key academic areas. Superintendent Daniel J. Stifter proudly shared the news, calling the growth “real progress” and a reflection of targeted efforts made by staff, students, and families.

By the numbers: Aitkin’s academic wins

- Math MCA 2025: 59.8% of students, in grades 3 - 8 and grade 11, met or exceeded expectations — up 4.4% from 2024
- Ranked #1 in a nine-school region
- 14.6% above the state average
- Reading MCA 2025: 54.8% proficiency for students testing in grades 3 - 8 and grade 10 — a 3.1% gain over last year
- #2 in the region
- 5.2% above the state average
- Graduation Rate 2024: 90.5% of students graduated — a 5.1% increase
- #2 in the region, and 6.3% above the state average

In addition to Aitkin, the schools included in the nine-school area are Brainerd, Pequot Lakes, Crosby-Ironton, McGregor, Isle, Onamia, Pine River, and Hill City.

“The percentages show how many of our students met or exceeded the state’s expectations on the latest assessment. They give us a snapshot of where we are right now and help us see what’s working and what still needs attention,” said Stifter.

How are they doing it?

The MCA is Minnesota’s

annual academic litmus test, given to students each spring to measure mastery of grade-level standards in math, reading, and science. In 2025, Aitkin had 471 students participate — and the district’s strategic focus is paying off.

Superintendent Stifter credits several key shifts:

- Targeted support: Increased staffing of licensed Title teachers at Rippleside Elementary.
- Structured study halls, systems of support for the district to make sure that each and every student is getting the correct support in their learning.
- Data-driven instruction: Quarterly data meetings to adjust teaching based on academic progress, attendance, and behavior.
- Phonics and reading instruction initiatives: New curriculum (UFLI), LETRS training, and expanded instructional time in language arts. With dedicated 120 minutes K-3 and 90 minutes 4-6 for Language Arts instruction.
- Cross-curricular teaching: More integration of vocabulary and nonfiction reading into science and social studies.
- Focused intervention: Small group and individual support tailored to student needs through WIN time (“What I Need Time”).
- Strong Tier 1 instruction: Emphasis on high-quality classroom teaching for all students.

“Our intervention process really allows us to focus on each individual learner and what specific skills we can support to promote student growth and raise academic achievement,” said Stifter.

Looking Ahead: keeping the momentum

Aitkin Public Schools have set clear goals:

- Increase proficiency by 3% annually in both English Language Arts and Mathematics.
- Refine Tier 1 instruction by continuously reflecting and adjusting teaching methods.
- Sustain a district wide Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) to meet every learner’s unique needs.

We still have work to do, Stifter emphasized. “The truth is, 100% is always the goal. Every percentage point we gain is real progress, it means more students are understanding the material, teachers are making an impact, and our support systems are helping. We’re moving in the right direction, and we’re committed to continuing that work.”

With nearly 1,000 students from pre-K through grade 12, Aitkin Public Schools may be small — but their progress is growing.



Jacob Mehr (center) with wife Brenda (left to right) and children: Jonah, Lydia and Matthias.

Teacher suffers spinal cord injury

Jacob Mehr, an Aitkin High School math teacher, was badly injured in an accident falling from a zipline in his yard earlier in September. He has a spinal cord injury and his future is uncertain.

Mehr’s father Mark was also an Aitkin High School math teacher and his later mother, Terry, was a high school special education teacher in Aitkin. His wife, Brenda (Smith) is a dental hygienist who teaches at Central Lakes College. The couple were born and raised in Aitkin.

Jake Mehr is now at North Memorial Hospital in the Twin Cities and faces a long road to wellness. He plans to get specialized rehabilitation in Colorado as soon as he is able.

Jake’s children: Lydia, Jonah and Matthias, are students in Aitkin. Relatives, friends and community members are pulling together to support the family.

Donations are accepted at any MidMinnesota Federal Credit Union branch to the Jacob and Brenda Mehr generosity account.



Jacob’s view from his hospital bed includes photographs of many family outings that line the wall above the door, as his children (left to right) Jonah, Matthias and Lydia visit for the first time after he injured his spinal cord in a zipline accident. Photos submitted by the Mehr family.

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Brainerd Public Schools award recipients

Brainerd Public Schools is celebrating three extraordinary staff members who have gone “Above and Beyond” in service to students, colleagues, and the community. Special education teacher **Emilee Freed** a special education teacher at Brainerd High School, has served the district for 17 years. Reading from her nomination, Assistant Principal Craig Kotsmith described Emilee as “the heartbeat behind Unified Warriors and the Polar Plunge for Special Olympics. She builds bridges among students, ensuring every learner has a place to shine. What sets her apart is her unwavering advocacy for some of our most vulnerable learners. She helps them discover

confidence, friendships, and opportunities to thrive.”
Kristin Smith, a beloved third-grade teacher at Garfield Elementary and track coach at Brainerd High School, brings 36 years of passion to her role. “Kris takes the time to understand each student’s needs, offering extra help when needed,” said Forestview Principal Tammy

Stellmach. “She fosters a love of learning every single day. Whether it’s breaking down a math problem or helping a student read, she makes children feel confident and excited to learn. Her dedication and kindness leave a lasting impact on every child.

Wendy Smolke, Harrison Elementary’s longtime secretary, was honored for her calm leadership and deep care. “[Wendy] is a calming force, a mentor, and the soul of our school community,” said Principal Jim Conrad. Her warm presence, tireless behind-the-scenes work, and ability to anticipate everyone’s needs set her apart. She cares deeply for the students, staff, and family members at Harrison Elementary.”

These annual awards highlight the district’s ongoing mission: to help every student thrive. For more information or to nominate someone for next year’s awards, visit www.isd181.org.



Brainerd Public Schools recognized three outstanding staff members with this year’s Above and Beyond Awards (left to right) Kristin Smith, Emily Freed, and Wendy Smolke.



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Brainerd* - Faith Baptist Church, Pastor Jim Stephens, 218-829-3191; SS 9:00, Worship 10:30 and 6 p.m., Wed. Classes and Clubs 6:30 p.m.; fbcbrainerd.com
Brainerd- The Church On The Wise Road, Pastor Todd Stumbo 218-829-4673, Worship 11:00, SS 9:45 www.thechurchonthewiseroad.org
Breezy Point — Eagles Nest, Pastor Zach Broom 218-562-5252, Worship 9:30, SS 11.
Crosby — Bible Baptist, Pastor Jon Thorson; SS 9:45; Service 10:45 and 6 p.m., Bible Study Wed. 7 pm
Deerwood* — Jeff Shadrick, SS 9:30; Worship 10:30 and 6 pm; Wed. Service, 6:30 pm.
Glory* — SS 9:15; Worship 10:30 am.; Wed 6pm Glory Family night, KidMin grades kindergarten - 6, Mad4Christ grades 7-12. aitkinchurch.com
Hill City — Pastor Lonnie Lee; 218-697-2645; Adult SS 9; Worship 10 am; Bible Study, Fri., 7 pm.
Isle — Pastor Nick Skogen; 676-3171; SS 9:30; Service 10:30; Bible Study, Wed., 7 p.m.
Opstead — 676-8859; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Bible Study Wed., 7 p.m.

CATHOLIC
Aitkin* — St. James, Fr. Mike Patullo, 218-927-6581; Mass Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 10:30. Confession Sat. 10-10:45 and 4-4:45 pm.
Brainerd — St. Andrew's, Fr. Gabriel Waweru, Sat.4:30; Sun. 10:00 and St. Mathias Sunday 8:00.
Brainerd — St. Francis, Fr. Michael Garry, Sat. 5:00; Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 11:15 and All Saints Saturday 4:00 and Sunday 10:30.
Cromwell/Wright — Immaculate Conception, Mass: Sat. 5 p.m.
Crosby* — St. Joseph's, Fr. Eli Gieske, Mass: Thurs. and Fri. at 8; Tues at noon, Sun. 8:30 & 10:30.
Crosslake — Immaculate Heart, 218-692-3731; www.ihmstemilys.org; Mass: Sat. 4 pm; Sun. 8:30; Confession Sat. 3 pm.
Emily — St. Emily, Mass: Mon. & Wed. 8; Sun. 10:30; Confession 1st Sat. 11 or by appt. 218-763-2101.
Garrison — Our Lady of Fatima, Fr. Eli Gieske, Mass Wed. 9 & Sat. 4 pm, Confession Sat. 3:30 - 3:50 pm
Grand Rapids — St. Joseph's, Fr. Jerry Weiss, Mass: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 8 & 10:30. 218-326-2483
Hillman — Holy Family; Sun. 10 to Mass Sat. 6:30 pm (only through Labor Day) w/ confession before or by appt.
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Vineland — St. Therese, Mass Sun. 11; Holy Days 8:30.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Baxter, Lakes Area — Nondenominational; 7001 Highland Scenic Road; Bible Study every Wed. 7 pm; Worship 10:30-11:30. 218-828-1362
Tamarack — Pastor Terry Banker, 608-475-1528, Worship 9:30; SS 10:45; Wed Youth 4 pm.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
Aitkin — Co.Rd. 12, Chapel Ph. 218-927-4454; Kevin Haffner 218-792-5684; Sacrament Mtg. 10
COMMUNITY
Aitkin — Nondenominational; 927-2749; at 219-1st Ave. NE., Aitkin, Services Sun.10, 218-927-6959
Brainerd - Community of Hope Church of the Nazarene- Pastor Dave McGaffey Sunday worship at 10, SS 9; 16549 Johnson Rd -church phone 218-829-9005
Glen — Pastor R. F. Stauter, 218-838-1981; Worship 9 May-Oct.
Grand Rapids — Solid Rock Church of God, Pastor Robert Kimberling; 218-326-0711; Sun. BS 9:30, Worship 10:30; Wed. BS 6:30 pm
Jacobson — Jacobson Community Church, Pastor George Collins, 218-252-5938, Sun. SS (All ages) 9:30, Worship 10:30; Family Time 2nd & 4th Sundays; Wed. BS 7 pm
Kimberly — Nature Ave. Rev. Rick Perry; Worship 9; Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30; 218-927-6256.
McGregor — The Lighthouse Christian Church; Worship 10; 99 South 1st Street (at the McGregor United Methodist church [shared] in downtown McGregor) Pastor Joel Seibel.
McGregor — Victory Mission, Pastor J. Gould, 218-768-2160; Sun. 10; Wed. Bible Study, 7:30 pm.
Merrifield — Community Church of the Nazarene, Pastor Ron Christenson; Service 11 & 6 pm. Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; 218-829-7536.
Merrifield — Ossipee Community, SS 10; Service 11; Wed. Bible Study Prayer, 7:00 p.m.
Nisswa — Christ Community Church, Pastor Richie Bean; Service 10; Fellowship 9:30-10
Outing* - Narrows Community Church, Pastor Kenny Holm, 218-792-5530 Worship 9:30; 6297 Woods Bay NE, just north of Hwy. 6 bridge
Palisade —Hilltop Chapel (Waukenabo Twp)*- service 10 a.m.; Adult and Children's SS 9 a.m.; 49448 Osprey Avenue, Palisade.
Tamarack — Church of Christ, 218-768-3898; Service 9:30; SS 10:45.

EPISCOPAL
Aitkin — St. John's, Holy Communion or Morning Prayer 9
Brainerd* — St. Paul's, Rev. Joyce A. Rush. In-person worship service at 10 am Sunday. Online at 5 pm Saturday. Call the church 219-829-3834 and leave a message with email to receive a Zoom invitation.

EVANGELICAL FREE
Baxter — Lakewood EFC, Pastor Matt Nagel; Worship at 9:00 and 10:45. Wednesday for all ages 6:30 pm.
Crosslake — The Log Church 9:30, Pastor Troy Nelson; 218-692-4141, 37218 County Road 66, www.crosslakeefc.org
Isle — Pastor Mark Lee; Sunday School 9:00 am; Worship 10:30 am, Sun. Youth group 6:00 pm, Wed. Adult Prayer 6:30 pm and Kids Connect 6:30 pm
Malmö — Pastor Glenn Browning; SS 9:30; Fellowship 10; Worship 10:15
Wright — Pastor Ken Mitchell, 218-426-5115; SS 9:30; Worship, 10:30; Thu., Bible Study, 7 pm.

HEBREW/MESSIANIC
Glen — Beth Shalom Tabernacle of Truth, for information 320-684-2804

LUTHERAN
Aitkin — Bethlehem (ELCA), Rev. Rebecca Hinz; Worship 9:30; Holy Comm. 1st & 3rd Sun each month.
First* — (ELCA) Pastor Reggie Denton, worship Sun. 9am (also available via livestream on YouTube – First Lutheran Church, Aitkin) and (broadcast on KKIN 94.3 FM radio at 10am), take out community meal every Mon. & Thurs. 5pm and Tues. 12pm; food shelf 2nd & 4th Thurs. each month 9am- 4pm. Office open M-Th 7:30am – 4pm.
Aitkin (Cedarbrook) — St. John's (ELCA) Pastor Sarah Stadler, Worship on Sundays at 9 am followed by Sunday school at 10 am beginning September 7. Blessing of the Backpacks on Sept 7. stjohns-cedarbrook.weebly.com, 27452 St. John's Church Road, Aitkin.
Aitkin — St. John's (Missouri Synod), Pastor D. Becker; Worship Sun. 9, SS 10
Baxter — Christ Lutheran Church and Preschool (WELS), Pastor Bill Werth. Sunday Worship 9. Sunday School/ Adult Bible Class 10:15. 13815 Cherrywood Dr. in Baxter. (Corner of Ingelwood and Cherrywood). 218-829-4105. www.christbaxter.com.
Baxter — Prince of Peace (LCMS); Communion every Sunday 9, Fellowship 10:15, Adult Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 am 218-829-7092 www.princeofpeace-lutheran.church

Sacred Festival of Tabernacles

Scripture obedient people are invited to attend the Almighty Yahuah's yearly commanded Sacred Festival Sukkot (of Tabernacles), Oct. 7-14. "Gather the men, women, children and stranger and read torah, so they can hear and learn and fear Yahuah, your eloheom and obey all the worlds of torah." (Deut. 31:10-12.) Call Proverbs 6:23 Ministry for directions or questions at 218-533-6029.

Cedar Lake Norwegian Lutheran

Cedar Lake Norwegian Lutheran Church will open its doors for worship once again on Sunday, Sept. 21 at 11:00 a.m., with Pastor Susan Cline leading the service. All are warmly invited to attend and take part in this special gathering.

Following the service, attendees are welcome to stay for a community luncheon—a tradition that brings friends, families, and neighbors together in fellowship.

After lunch, the church will hold its annual board / congregational meeting, and the

Dorris Cemetery Association will convene for its annual meeting as well.

The historic church is located at 31000 Pioneer Avenue, Aitkin. Whether you're a long-time member or simply curious about the church's heritage, all are welcome to attend.

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this interview.

He urges residents to educate themselves before they vote. He has videos posted on Facebook. Material will be mailed to all homes. Log onto rangernationstrong-foundation.org to get information on voting, tax impact and more.

Voting info:
Vote early by mail starting Friday, Sept. 19 through Monday, Nov. 3: Absentee ballots will be available at the Crow Wing County Historical Courthouse (326 Laurel Street in Brainerd) on weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Vote early in-person at the County Elections Office at the Courthouse on Saturday, Nov. 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Monday, Nov. 3, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Vote in-person on Election Day — Tuesday, November 4: Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at four combined polling places.



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Thor — Zion, Worship 11; 1st and 3rd Sun. April through December.
Wright — Bethlehem, Worship; SS 9.
Wright — St. John's (Missouri Synod), Pastor Joshua Reinke; Worship 10:30; Bible Study and Sunday School Sun. 9:30; Lent services Wed. 5:30 pm.)

NON-DENOMINATIONAL
Aitkin—Cedar Lake Norwegian Lutheran Church, service is the 3rd Sunday of the month May-October at 11am , 3100 Pioneer Ave., Aitkin.
Brainerd—Oak Street Chapel, Pastor Todd Wooden, Worship service is Sunday at 9:30, 523 SE 11th Street, Brainerd, 218-454-0984
Brainerd—Remnant Ministry Center, Pastor Ben Davis, Worship service is Sunday at 10am, 512 S 8th St., Suite 2, 218-829-2989.

PENTECOSTAL
Baxter — Christ Alive, 12485 Forestview Drive, Baxter, MN 56425. Pastor Walter Starr, 763-316-7270, Sunday Worship 10:00am, Wednesday Bible study 6:30pm
Emily — Cornerstone Church; Pastor Earl Ready; Worship 10, 41536 Birchwood Drive, Emily; 218-763-2939.
Ironton — Iron Range Christian Center; Pastor Dwight Semler; 218-546-6523; meeting at Irondale Town Hall", Co. Rd. 12, (Deerwood Shortcut);Worship 10 & Wed. 7 pm.
Tamarack — Warriors of the Rainbow Ministry, Pastors Ken and Ron Fairbanks, Sat. 11. 218-768-3585

PRESBYTERIAN
Crosslake - Pastor Mark Ford, 218-692-4769; Worship 9; Fellowship 11, 14444 Daggett Pine Road, Crosslake, just passed the Community Center; www.crosslakepres.org.
McGrath — Calvary, Pastor - Todd Oltmann; Worship 9.
McGregor/Round Lake — Pastor Talley; Worship Sat. 5 pm. Tamarack — First, Rev. J. Yingling; Worship 11.

REFORMED
Crosby — Lifespring Church, a member of Fellowship of Independent Reformed Evangelicals, 9:30, 30 Hallett Ave NE 218-545-5433, www.visilifespring.com

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Aitkin — Pastor Josh Jeresek; Worship Sat. 9:30, Prayer Meeting & Bible Study Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.; www.aitkinadventist.org; 423-805-0933; 830 Minnesota Ave S
Brainerd — Pastor Josh Jeresek; Worship Sat. 11:10, Bible Study 10; Bible Study & Prayer Mtg. Wed. 6:30 p.m.; 2910 Oak Street, Brainerd, 218-829-1676

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
Pequot Lakes — 28877 State Hwy 371, Pequot Lakes 10:30 1st and 4th Sundays. 218-330-3476

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Brainerd — First Congregational UCC, 415 Juniper St, Brainerd. Sunday worship at 10. Pastor; Leslie Moughty. Handicapped accessible. www.uccbbrainerdmn.org

UNITED METHODIST
Aitkin* — Aitkin - Pastor Dawn Houser; Worship 10, Wednesdays at 5:30 pm Bible & Brew, Facebook live.
Crosby/Deerwood* — Cascade, Pastor Gary Taylor; Sunday Worship with Youtube live streaming 10 am with fellowship to follow. Cascade Ladies meet on the first Wednesday of each month at noon. Come & Eat Community dinner on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm. Please call the office to sign up: 218-534-3507.
Cutler* (South Aitkin County) — Pine Lake Chapel, Pastor Gary Taylor; Worship Sunday 1 p.m. Fellowship follows.
Cromwell — Pastor Tim Hornstad; Worship 10; SS 9
Emily* — Pastor Gary Taylor; Sunday Worship with Facebook live streaming 8:30 with fellowship to follow. UWF meet on the first Sunday of each month following worship. Men's prayer breakfast 2nd Saturday of each month at 8. Bible Study Thursday at 6 pm.
Fleming* — (Northern Lights Parish) SS 9:15; Worship 10:30; fellowship follows.
Hill City — Pastor Roger Lynn; Worship 10
McGregor* — (Northern Lights Parish) Worship 8:45; fellowship follows.
Onamia — Pastor Rick & Judy Wilder; Worship 10; fellowship 9; 2 blks north of Post Office; handicap ramp; 320-532-3150; office: 218-546-7656; cell: 218-360-1947

WESLEYAN
Emily — Rev. Jason Gressman; Worship 9; Friendship Time 10; SS 10:30; Wed. Activities 6:30 p.m.; 218-763-HOPE.

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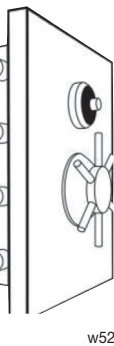
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