



Minnesota State Academies

Faribault, Minnesota



2 Academies –

Minnesota State Academy for the Blind (MSAB) –
serving blind, visually impaired, and deafblind students

Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf (MSAD) –
serving deaf, hard-of-hearing, and deafblind students

Some students attend classes or receive services on both campuses, depending on their individual needs. We serve students statewide – students come from over 50 school districts, and we also provide resources and supports for many others.

Established in 1858 – we are among the oldest public schools in Minnesota.



MSAD Educational Programs

Starting at 12 months of age – through 22 years of age.

Age-appropriate academics, curriculum, language development, and critical thinking skills.

ASL-English Bilingual Instruction Program

A+ Transition Program for older students



MSAB Educational Programs

Starting in Kindergarten – through 22 years of age.

Age-appropriate academics, curriculum, language development, and critical thinking skills.

Braille, Orientation and Mobility, and Music programs

Expanded Core Curriculum

A+ Transition Program for older students



Whole Child Development:

Athletics, Music, Drama, Organizations/Clubs, After School Programs

Provided to develop students' abilities, knowledge, and skills in various areas – academics, language, social-emotional skills, mental health, communication, problem solving, teamwork, self-advocacy, and so forth



Residential Programs

Incorporates after school educational programs – including athletics, extracurricular activities, workshops, independent living skills, and other daily life skills necessary for life after graduation.



We are funded primarily through a biennial appropriation from the state legislature rather than by the funding formula that applies to other districts in Minnesota.

We are not able to issue any tax levies or bonding and rely on legislative action to fund all needs on our campus.



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- **MSAD Student Center PreDesign: \$400,000**

To hire architects to evaluate our needs and recommend an energy efficient/low-maintenance building that is fully accessible and code compliant, potentially replacing up to 5 aging, high-maintenance buildings and outdated/inaccessible facilities. This center will incorporate our athletic/PE facilities; cafeteria; career/technical education; and other needs on our MSAD campus.

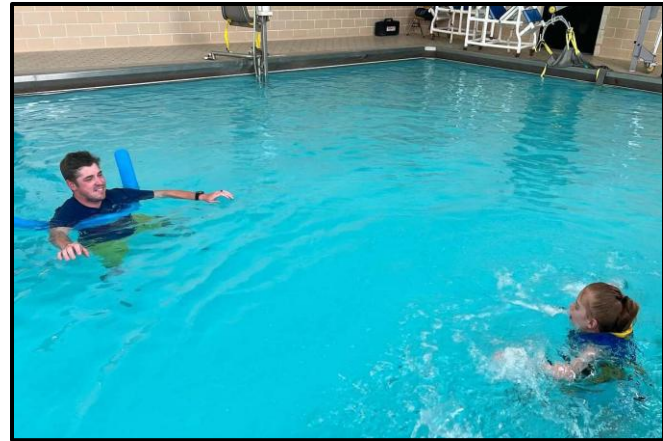




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- MSAB Therapy Pool and related improvements PreDesign: \$400,000

To hire an architectural firm to investigate and evaluate our existing pool conditions and propose a new design and cost estimates for relocating and building an accessible, energy efficient, and low maintenance pool area, including renovations of the existing pool area for academic/transition spaces/performing arts center, relocation of utilities, parking spaces and roads, and other necessary site improvements required to relocate the therapy pool and therapeutic hot tub so that they are fully accessible and compliant with current codes.





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- **Asset Preservation: \$1.15 million**

To continue maintenance, upkeep, and improvements to our buildings and facilities on both campuses to ensure safety, security, accessibility, and long-term maintenance so that our programs can continue to operate. Current priorities include safety and accessibility concerns; preservation and maintenance of exterior stone facades; food storage freezer in our cafeteria; safety upgrades to doors and windows; tuckpointing and roof replacement; and replacement/correction of deteriorated walkways/roadways.



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