

## School lunch on menu

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### **Stakeholders discuss cafeteria expansion.**

Expansion of the school cafeteria has moved from the drawing board to an agenda item.

At a Stakeholder meeting March 2, Gothenburg Public School superintendent Mike Teahon said the school board will decide whether or not to go out for bids on March 14.

“The plan is still in the draft stage but we hope to approve it at the school board meeting,” Teahon said. “If we do it, we’ll do it this summer.”

Conceptually, he said the design will increase dining space in the Community Building from approximately 3,600 to 6,500 square feet.

School officials have already asked DLR Group of Omaha to design a plan to increase dining space, add a commons area and move the kitchen to the south part of the building.

Within the design, Teahon told Stakeholders that officials want students to have enough time to eat, space to dine with four—instead of two—serving lines and healthier choices and quality of food.

Part of the school’s special building fund, now at \$1 million, will be used to pay for the project.

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## STAKEHOLDERS

Stakeholders are community members who are invited to meetings on different educational topics. They are then asked to share what they learn with at least three other people.

Twenty-seven stakeholders attended the March 2 meeting in the community room at Gothenburg Public Library.

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