From the desk of Superintendent Michelle Jensen...

"What we call the beginning is often the end. And to make an end is to make a beginning. The end is where we start from."

T. S. Eliot

A few weeks ago we celebrated the accomplishments of 52 Deerfield High School seniors as they entered the gymnasium for the last time as Deerfield students. Student speeches spoke of an "end" to time spent together in a place which had nurtured many of them for 13 years. Along with sharing stories about the end of school, they reflected on the new beginnings before them-some entering the work place, others headed to colleges or universities. It is our hope that we have provided them with the knowledge and personal growth necessary as they "end" this stage of their life and "begin" a new stage. We are proud of the graduates and wish them well in their new adventures and pursuits.

We have another "ending" and "beginning" to announce at the middle/high school. On behalf of the school board and staff, I would like to wish Mr. Mark Luetschwager well in his new "beginning" with the Tomorrow River School District. Mr. Luetschwager served as the middle/high school principal this past year in Deerfield while his family resided in the Stevens Point area. After much consideration, Mr. Luetschwager decided to pursue the principal position with Tomorrow River, in Amherst, to be closer to his family. Mark has some previous experience in the district and is looking forward to the new challenges it will bring. His last day in the school district will be June 22. We have begun the hiring process and will be reviewing principal applications in early July.

On a final note, we are excited about a "beginning" to the middle/high school front entrance and office remodeling project that is starting soon. This area has been redesigned to offer a secure front entrance as well as adding much needed space for the middle/high school office, health room and a full-district use conference room. While the remodeling is taking place, the middle/high school office will be temporarily located in the high school sewing room. The district office is now located in the guidance office space. Visitors to the building should read the signs posted at the front entrance for new office locations.