

School boards across Wisconsin are coming out with employee handbooks to replace union contracts after the elimination of most collective bargaining powers for teachers. Some major trends include elimination of seniority protection and just cause for teacher non renewal. So what's in the Lacrosse School District handbooks? Too early to tell says Superintendent, Randy Nelson. But he and the school board are all ears.

The finished product eliminates layoff protections based on seniority and a provision that the district provide just cause for not renewing a teacher's contract. Nelson says those changes give the district flexibility in personnel matters. They should be completed by the end of June.