



BOARD MEETING RECAP

Farewell to Superintendent Fulton

This week marks Dr. Fulton's final week in the Shawnee Mission School District. Board of Education members thanked him for his service to the district and shared a video created to honor his work in the district. [Click here to view the video.](#)

Dr. Fulton expressed his thanks and stated he looks forward to supporting Shawnee Mission as a community member. He also expressed to Dr. Michelle Hubbard, who becomes superintendent on July 1, 2021, that he is excited for her superintendency and that she will do a great job.

Organizational Chart: Deputy Superintendent Dr. Michelle Hubbard shared the organizational chart for the 2021-2022 school year. She expressed her excitement for the team and the leaders who assume new positions on July 1, 2021. [Click here to view the organizational chart.](#)

ESSER II Funds Dr. Fulton shared that a change in guidelines means the district will be making adjustments to Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) expenditures.

Shawnee Mission's allocations will include a retention payment for those who meet the criteria. This was possible by drawing money away from funds previously allocated to HVAC and indoor air quality. HVAC and indoor air quality will remain a priority, but that will be funded through bond, capital, and future ESSER III funding. Any fallout funding from ESSER II would also be allocated to HVAC and indoor air quality improvements. [Click here to view the revised allocations.](#)

Retention Payment Board of Education members approved a \$600 one-time retention payment for all qualifying employees. [Click here for more information about the approved payment.](#)

Calendar Changes The Board of Education approved a revised calendar for the 2021-2022 school year. The revisions include:

- July 5, 2021- Independence Day observed. Offices will be closed
- Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2021- National Testing Day
- June 20, 2022- Juneteenth observed. Offices will be closed.

[Further detail and explanation about the calendar changes can be found here.](#)

Class Link Presentation Drew Lane, executive director of information and communication technologies, and Lindsay Stephenson, coordinator of instructional technology, presented an overview about Class Link. Class Link is a single sign-on resource for education.

Stephenson shared that this resource will provide the following benefits for staff and students:

- “One password” logins
- Consolidation of programs
- Reduced setup for teachers
- Increased access to on-line curriculum resources
- Increased security

[Click here to view the presentation slides.](#)

Board Policy

Board of Education members held a first reading of the following policy:

[Board Policy BCBI: Public Participation \(First Reading\)](#)

Board of Education members held a second reading of the following policy:

[Board Policy BDA: Developing and Adopting Policy](#) Board of Education members voted to table this policy.

Administrative Salaries- Board members approved a 1.45 percent base raise, except in cases where making market adjustments is appropriate. Previously, the Board approved a 1.45 percent base raise for certified and classified employees.

From the Superintendent Report:



National Bee Competitor Ishya Bhavsar advanced to the semifinal round of the Scripps National Spelling Bee. Out of 209 spellers that entered the national bee, Bhavsar was among 30 to advance to the semifinals. She was the Johnson County Spelling Bee champion for two consecutive

years and won the Sunflower State Spelling Bee, qualifying for national competition. As an eighth-grade graduate from Indian Hills, she is now looking toward her freshman year at Shawnee Mission East.



THE KANSAS CITY STAR.

KC Star Athlete Honors The Kansas City Star announced their 2021 list of top high school Scholar-Athletes in the metropolitan Kansas City area. Sarah Bingham from Shawnee Mission East, Trevor Maxville from Shawnee Mission North, Ty Black from Shawnee Mission

Northwest, Max Close from Shawnee Mission South, and Olivia Morris from Shawnee Mission West were among this year's top honorees. These students were nominated by school coaches and educators and were selected based on athletic ability and accomplishments, academic achievement, participation, and overall impact on their school environment.



Teachers Selected for Fellowship A select group of Shawnee Mission educators is taking part in the Burns and McDonnell Early Educator Fellowship, provided by Startland. Denise Alpson and Alissa Foshee, second-grade teachers from Comanche Elementary, and Michael

Soto and Amy Jonason, fourth-grade teachers from Nieman Elementary, are among the 20 who were chosen from a competitive application process to participate. A goal of this program is to help students develop a passion for problem-solving and creative thinking.



Summer Lunches Pickup and Go meals continue to be provided to children ages 1-18 this summer. These free meals are available from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays at four locations in the district.

As a reminder, there will be no pickup on Monday, July 5, 2021 due to the Independence Day holiday. Meals will be distributed on July 1, 2021 in preparation for that holiday closure. Children will receive meals for 7 days on July 1st. Pickup and Go meals will resume after the holiday on Thursday, July 8, 2021. [Click here for more details, including locations and menus.](#)

Shawnee Mission thanks everyone in the food service department, student services staff, school building staff, security staff, and volunteers from across our community who are dedicating time this summer to prepare and distribute meals. This is a tremendous effort and we are fortunate that so many caring individuals are making sure children in our community are getting the nutrition they need during the summer.



Summer Enrichment Last week kicked off the Summer Enrichment program in Shawnee Mission. Summer Enrichment provides students a chance to explore and discover areas of interest. Some students began their summer learning experience at Westridge Middle School last week, taking classes in art, music,

technology, science, nature, sports, and more. Here at the Center for Academic Achievement, students engaged in Camp CARE, a class that gave students a chance to learn about future opportunities in healthcare. It also helped them learn more about the Medical Health Science opportunities available to them in high school. Summer Enrichment enrollment is open for classes at Westridge, along with the Signature Program and satellite classes at the CAA. [Click here for more information about enrollment.](#)

Organizational Meeting:

The Shawnee Mission Board of Education held their annual organizational meeting on Monday June 28, 2021. During this meeting, the Board approved the following appointments and consent items:

Organizational Appointments:

Treasurer: Joe Gilhaus, deputy superintendent

Deputy Treasurer: Russell Knapp, chief financial officer

Clerk: Terry Wintering, executive assistant to the superintendent/clerk of the Board

In the consent agenda, the following appointments were approved:

District Attendance Officer: All building principals

Hearing Officers: All members of the board of education were appointed as hearing officers. The president is authorized to designate a specific member, or members, if a given appeal is filed.

Designated Signatories for the Board of Education The president and vice president for all contracts and agreements which have been approved by the Board of Education.

Authorized KPERS Representative: Michael Schumacher, associate superintendent of human resources

Freedom of Information Officer: David A. Smith, chief communications officer

Authorized Representative for Approved Federal Programs: David Stubblefield, associate superintendent of leadership and learning

Appointment of Hearing Official for National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs: Joe Gilhaus, deputy superintendent

Bond Compliance Officer: Chris Mesko, financial analyst

Official District Newspaper: Kansas City Star

Plan Administrator for the District 403B/457 Deferred Compensation Program: Michael Schumacher, associate superintendent of human resources

Banks of Record: [Click here to view the approved banks of record.](#)
Activity and petty cash funds were also approved.

The Board of Education also established its meeting dates for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. [Click here to view the meeting dates.](#)

Board of Education members determined committee appointments would be made at a later date.

This publication, provided after each Shawnee Mission Board of Education meeting, provides a recap of some actions taken by the Shawnee Mission Board of Education and information about activities happening in the school district.

An archive video of the workshop and regular meeting [can be found here.](#)
Links to board policies, agendas, and meeting minutes [can be found here.](#)