



## WEEKLY UPDATE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

May 27, 2021

### A MESSAGE FROM SUPERINTENDENT CARLTON D. JENKINS

Dear Board Members,

This week, which marks the eighth week of our 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter, has been eventful. This week marked the one-year anniversary of the lynching of George Floyd, our annual observance of the Day of Silence, and the end of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. As such, our district has continued to find ways to elevate the voices of our students, staff, families, and community members. We firmly believe our efforts to hear their voices will help us refine our policies and practices as we work to accelerate learning for all students and create environments where all students, staff and families can thrive.

Our district and community is filled with knowledgeable and innovative people. One of our greatest challenges (and opportunities) is finding ways to incorporate their ideas and insights into the fabric of our work in a manner which yields maximum return on our investment. For example, this week I was able to interact with the students and staff at Lake View in their award-winning outdoor learning spaces. We look forward to better understanding how using these spaces can unlock high yielding instructional and social emotional learning practices.

While visiting schools throughout our district during instructional walkthroughs this week, I have witnessed a spirit of excitement about learning within our students and staff. During yesterday's Circle of Friends Virtual Celebration, which was hosted by the Foundation for Madison's Public Schools, we were inspired by stories of our community members contributing their time, talent, and treasure to building on this excitement. Surely, this positive energy and goodwill can provide fuel for our continued journey from "Good to Great."

Thanks for your continued support and partnership. We look forward to maintaining the focus and creativity generated by the robust dialogue at last weekend's Board of Education Retreat, as well as providing you with more updates on our district's progress next week.

Sincerely,

*Carlton*

Carlton D. Jenkins, Ph.D.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION QUESTIONS

- **Forward Madison Update**  
Please find attached: (1) a cover memo providing some background, action requested at the June 28, 2021 meeting, and responses to questions from the May 3 Instruction Work Group meeting; (2) links to the FM Extension Year Proposed Plan Memo (21/22), the FM Program Monitoring Report (18/19), and the Memorandum of Agreement (2018-2021).
- **May 2021 Partnerships Update Questions**  
Please find attached a memo responding to two general partnership questions posed during the May 3, 2021 Instruction Work Group meeting.
- **Advanced Learning Staffing Inquiry**  
In response to a question from a board member, Kelly and Lisa investigated the FTE in the AL Department and looked into the ALAC recommendations, as well, from 2019. In summary, there are no personnel reductions to AL in 21-22, and there haven't been since the 19-20 school year per your question. Our FTE at that point was 28.2 and is 28.2 now. There is a reason this number does not equal your 29. After looking back at the ALAC recommendations there were two 0.4 FTE (0.8 total) that were added - however, this was the cost of moving two teacher leaders to 212-day contracts vs. the standard teacher contract. So, the 0.8 was not in FTE, it was in added days for two AL Teacher Leaders.

## OTHER INFORMATION

- **Data Requests**  
Just a reminder to get your data requests to Dr. McGregory by June 8 so that we can then begin to respond and possibly take them up at a future BOE meeting.
- **This Week's Recorded Meetings**  
  
Here are the agendas and recordings for this week:  
  
Tuesday, May 25    Metric Meeting [Agenda](#) & [Recording](#)  
Thursday, May 27    Weekly School/Central Office Admin. Operations Meeting  
[Agenda](#) & [Recording](#)
- **Weekly News Report**  
Attached is the weekly News Report which includes a curated list of local news stories directly related to MMSD over the course of the previous week with links provided.



## Community Events:

All dates for community announcements are posted on the [Board Community Activities Calendar](#)

- The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention - Wisconsin Chapter, is hosting the **Central Wisconsin Volunteer Meet & Greet on Thursday, May 27**, at 5 p.m. This is an opportunity for chapter leaders and board members to meet and socialize with volunteers for the **2021 Central Wisconsin Out of the Darkness Walk** that takes place on **Saturday, September 18**, from 10:30-noon. More information on the meet and greet can be [found here](#), and information on the walk can be [found here](#).
- **Ride the Drive 2021**, hosted by Madison Parks, will take place on **Sunday, June 6**, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. This event promotes a healthy and active lifestyle. The routes are still being finalized and more info. can be [found here](#).
- The **2021 Kujichagulia Juneteenth Celebration Week**, hosted by Kujichagulia- Madison Center for Self Determination, will be held from **Wednesday, June 16, through Saturday, June 19**, at [Penn Park](#). Each day will have a different theme - Thursday, June 17th will be all about young adults with presentations on Voting, Social Justice and the Black Voice and an open mic night for poets and performers. Friday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, will be family-themed, and the celebration will close out on June 19th with an amazing parade and a party in Penn Park. More info. can be [found here](#).
- Black Umbrella Global is hosting **Shades of BLack, A Melanated Cultural Festival on Thursday, June 17**, from 4-9 p.m. at Hilddale Mall. There will be Black poets, rappers, singers, and food vendors. More info. can be [found here](#).
- **East High School's 'Pi Mile' Returns as a Virtual Event, open to anyone in MMSD**  
East High's 20-year fundraising event is going virtual for the first-time ever. The Pi Mile, a 3.14-mile walk/run, is the club's main fundraiser, and the money raised is used for scholarships for students to participate in competitions and conferences and to provide rental graphing calculators for students who cannot afford them. Participants in the Pi Mile will have an 11-day window to individually complete their 3.14-mile walk/run. Although in past years everyone left the event with a whole pie, organizers have partnered with Food Fight and this year's participants will receive a gift card for a slice of pie at Monty's Blue Plate Diner. [Registration](#) closes on Thursday, May 27th. The race should be completed, and times submitted between May 28th and June 7th. Questions? *Phil Galarowicz, [pgalarowicz@](#) or Karen Paschke, [kpaschke@](#), East High Math Department*

- The Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center and GSAFE are hosting the 25th annual **Celebration of Leadership 2021** on **Saturday, June 26**, from 2-8 p.m. in person on the rooftop of the terrace. This event will honor six high school seniors and one Educator of the Year for their LGBTQ+ activism across Wisconsin. More info. can be [found here](#).
- Rock Paper Scissors, etc. is hosting the 42nd Annual **Madison Art Fair Off the Square** on **July 10 and July 11** from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. both days. There will be dozens of vendors selling unique items and wearables. This event is free, and more information can be [found here](#).

## OUR UPCOMING BOARD CALENDAR

- Mon., May 31                      Memorial Holiday
- Tues., Jun 1, 2:30 p.m.      Student Senate  
Virtual
- Mon., Jun 7, 9 a.m.            Board Officers  
Virtual
- Mon., Jun 7, 5 p.m.            Instruction Work Group  
Virtual and Doyle 103
- Tues, Jun 8, 4:30 p.m.        Capital High Graduation  
Monona Terrace
- Tues., Jun 8, 5:30 p.m.       Shabazz Graduation  
Monona Terrace
- Wed., Jun 9, 5:30 p.m.        City Education Committee  
Virtual
- Thurs., Jun 10                Last Day of School
- Fri., Jun 11, 5 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.    East Graduation  
Breese Stevens
- Fri., Jun 11, 1 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.    West Graduation  
Mansfield Stadium
- Sat., Jun 12, 10 a.m. & 1 p.m.      Memorial Graduation  
Mansfield Stadium
- Sat., Jun 12, 12:30 p.m.        La Follette Graduation  
Lussier Stadium

- Mon., Jun 14, 5 p.m. Operations Work Group  
Virtual and Doyle 103
- Mon., Jun 14, 6:30 p.m. Special meeting in closed session  
Doyle 103
- Week of June 21 Board Member Briefings  
Virtual
- Mon., Jun 21, 5 p.m. Special meeting in closed session  
Doyle 103 or Virtual
- Mon., Jun 28, 9 a.m. Board Officers  
Virtual
- Mon., Jun 28, 5:30 p.m. Photo of new Board
- Mon., Jun 28, 6 p.m. REGULAR meeting  
Virtual and Doyle 103

#### ITEMS ATTACHED FOR INFORMATION

1. Forward Madison Update
2. Responses to questions re: 5/3/21 Partnerships Update
3. Weekly News Report

**TO:** Members of the Board of Education (BOE), Madison Metropolitan School District (MMSD)  
Dr. Carlton Jenkins, Superintendent, MMSD

**FROM:** Dr. Jen Schoepke, Forward Madison Director, MMSD and University of Wisconsin- Madison School of Education (UW-SoE)

**DATE:** May 27, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Forward Madison: 2018-21 MOA Budget Summaries and Proposed Programming for One Year Partnership Extension (2021-22)

**CC:** Dr. Diana Hess, Dean, UW-SoE  
Dr. Richard McGregory, Chief of Staff, MMSD  
Dr. Kimber Wilkerson, Faculty Director of Teacher Education Center, UW-SoE

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At the May 3, 2021 Instruction Workgroup meeting, the Strategic Partnerships Department provided an update which included information regarding two status changes in partnerships for the Board - the movement of Achievement Connections from a Medium to a High Intensity Partnership, and the extension of the Forward Madison (FM) High Intensity Partnership for an additional year. This update is to provide additional information about the FM High Intensity Partnership and the proposed extension of FM for an additional year (2021-22) prior to the budget vote at the June 28, 2021 regular Board of Education (BOE) meeting.

#### **Background Information:**

The *Forward Madison Collaborative for Learning and Leadership* began in 2014 as a hub of cross-functional and cross-organizational co-construction between the University of Wisconsin- Madison School of Education (UW-SoE) and the Madison Metropolitan School District (MMSD). The content and direction of the FM partnership is derived from leadership's vision at MMSD and UW-SoE. FM is a vehicle that can support MMSD's and UW-SoE's attainment of their current and future goals, leveraging local expertise and resources to collectively impact identified shared goals, in service of MMSD and UW-SoE leadership's vision.

**FM Shared Purpose:** In FM MOA (2018-21), MMSD and UW-SoE are building a high quality and diverse workforce by preparing, inducting, and supporting future and present educators in MMSD. Through this collective impact strategy, the partners aim to identify talent and develop programs to support and retain high quality educators to significantly narrow opportunity gaps and improve student achievement. To accomplish this, MMSD and UW-SoE will continue to develop, implement, and rigorously evaluate/research through the following strands:

#### **1. Induction**

- a. **New Educator Induction** - *Accelerating the efficacy of educators with new teacher induction*
- b. **Principal Induction** - *Accelerating the efficacy of educators with new principal induction*

#### **2. Workforce Diversity**

- a. **Tomorrow's Educators for Equity in Madison (TEEM) Scholars** - *Developing future teachers through a high school pipeline program*

- b. **Evaluation of Professional Accelerated Licensure 2 / Grow Our Own** - *Evaluating the viability of the Grow Our Own program which aims to identify and build capacity of current MMSD employees through program coursework to be certified teachers within MMSD*
- 3. **Student Access to High-Quality and Fully Licensed Educators**
  - a. **Accelerated Licensure Special Education (ALSE)**- *Ensuring student access to high-quality fully-licensed teachers with an emphasis on the development of a two year program with summers of integrated coursework and support aimed at cross-categorical special education teachers on provisional licenses (two cohorts)*
- 4. **Cooperating Teacher (CT) Alliance** - *Enhancing and elevating the role of school-based teacher educators through a cooperating teacher alliance*
- 5. Additional workstream added during the COVID-19 pandemic to further support students during virtual learning
  - a. **Virtual UW-Madison/MMSD Tutoring Collaborative** - *The Summer Tutoring Collaborative provided 1:1 tutoring in literacy and math for MMSD middle school students who were enrolled in 2020 virtual summer school, targeting those most affected by COVID 19. UW-SoE graduate and undergraduate students from elementary, secondary, and special education programs and graduate students with relevant K-12 teaching experience served as tutors. Virtual tutoring was also provided in Fall 2020 with select MMSD middle schools.*

Importantly, FM serves as a bridge between MMSD and UW-SoE that builds and enhances deep cross-organizational professional relationships, helps to facilitate connections across organizations, navigates complexities across organizations, and facilitates meeting critical workforce needs. FM provides a structure in which MMSD and UW-SoE can collaboratively work together to capture learning, expertise, and resources to address organizational needs. The structure afforded by the FM partnership allows both organizations to be nimble to address immediate needs of the community, such as demonstrated with the Tutoring Collaborative. While outside of FM, the Early Literacy and Beyond Task Force also benefits from the structure of FM through the utilization of the FM Director and dual role/knowledge of both organizations and respective staff/faculty, serving as project manager to the Task Force to support meeting its charge.

**Action Requested:**

BOE review and approval of the updated FM Extension as a part of the consent agenda at the June 28, 2021 regular meeting.

**Contact Person:**

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**Executive Summary**

The following two questions/comments were posed by the BOE during the May 3, 2021 Instruction Work Group (IWG) meeting as they pertain to the FM partnership. Detailed responses to these questions/comments are provided in the Appendix below.

- Question 1: Asked for the evaluation timeline before voting on the district budget.

- Question 2: Asked for program budgets before voting on the district budget.

**Implications/Next Steps:**

The BOE will vote on the extension of FM for one year (2021-22) as part of the June 28, 2021 Regular Meeting.

**Supporting Documentation:**

- [2018-21 FM Memorandum of Agreement \(MOA\)](#)
- [FM MOA Update October 2020](#) (BOE approved MOA updates due to impact of COVID-19)
- [2018-19 FM Program Monitoring Report](#)
- [May 25, 2021 Memo: Forward Madison Proposed Plan for One Year Partnership Extension \(2021-22\)](#)



## **Appendix**

### **Question 1**

- **Question 1:** Asked for the evaluation timeline before voting on the district budget.
- **Response:** High Intensity Partnership renewals contain evaluations as part of the renewal process. Should FM be presented to the BOE for renewal after the 2021-22 one year extension, an evaluation of the partnership will be presented at that time. The most recent FM partnership program monitoring report provided to the BOE from 2018-19 is attached.

## Question 2

- **Question 2:** Asked for program budgets before voting on the district budget.
- **Response:** Tables 1, 2, and 3 below provide a summary of the FM budget by fiscal year for the current 2018-21 MOA (e.g., FY19, FY20, and FY21). Table 4 provides a projected FY22 budget for the proposed FM one year extension (2021-22), of which the BOE is voting on the partnership extension on June 28, 2021 (please see attached document, *May 25, 2021 Memo: Forward Madison Proposed Plan for 2021-22 Partnership Extension Year*, for more information about proposed FM programming for the proposed 2021-22 extension year).

**Table 1: FM FY19 Summary Budget (2018-19)**

Programming/Activity	FY19 (2018-19) Forward Madison Programming			FY19 (2018-19) Fund Amount, Source <sup>1</sup>					Total
	Continuing	Continuing w/ Modifications	New	MMSD Funds, Local	MMSD Funds, Federal	MMSD Funds, Donated	FM Funds, UW-SoE (From UW-Madison Chancellor and SoE)	External Grant Funds	
(1) Induction									
(1.1) New Educator Induction	X			\$17,184	\$337,236	\$0	\$4,582	\$0	<b>\$359,003</b>
(1.2) Principal Induction	X			\$28,251	\$0	\$0	\$3,268	\$0	<b>\$31,519</b>
(2) Workforce Diversity									
(2.1) TEEM Scholars	X			\$8,250	\$0	\$0	\$84,354	\$0	<b>\$92,604</b>
(2.2) Professional Accelerated Licensure 2 / Grow Our Own <i>(does not include programming costs; only includes evaluation and support next steps as determined by leadership)</i>			X	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,083	\$0	<b>\$3,083</b>
(3) Student Access to High-Quality Fully-Licensed Educators									
(3.1) Accelerated Licensure Special Education (ALSE)			X	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,486	\$0	<b>\$10,486</b>
(4) Cooperating Teacher Alliance			X	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,653	\$0	<b>\$5,653</b>
(5) FM Personnel (1.0 FTE Director)	X			\$0	\$0	\$147,162	\$0	\$0	<b>\$147,162</b>
(6) FM Faculty Lead (J. Diamond)	X			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$36,853	\$0	<b>\$36,853</b>
(7) FM Administrative (e.g., materials and supplies, staff PD, etc.)		X		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$625	\$0	<b>\$625</b>
<b>Total (FY19)</b>				<b>\$53,686</b>	<b>\$337,236</b>	<b>\$147,162</b>	<b>\$148,906</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$686,989</b>

<sup>1</sup> In-kind contributions from UW-SoE and MMSD in the form of staff/faculty time, which contribute to the FM partnership, are not represented in this budget view.

**Table 2: FM FY20 Summary Budget (2019-20)**

Programming/Activity	FY20 (2019-20) Forward Madison Programming			FY20 (2019-20) Fund Amount, Source <sup>2</sup>					Total
	Continuing	Continuing w/ Modifications	New	MMSD Funds, Local	MMSD Funds, Federal	MMSD Funds, Donated	FM Funds, UW-SoE (From UW-Madison Chancellor and SoE)	External Grant Funds <sup>3</sup>	
(1) Induction									
(1.1) New Educator Induction	X			\$117,878	\$349,173	\$0	\$3,083	\$0	<b>\$470,134</b>
(1.2) Principal Induction	X			\$27,029	\$0	\$0	\$3,308	\$0	<b>\$30,337</b>
(2) Workforce Diversity									
(2.1) TEEM Scholars	X			\$8,250	\$0	\$0	\$87,997	\$0	<b>\$96,247</b>
(3) Student Access to High-Quality Fully-Licensed Educators									
(3.1) Accelerated Licensure Special Education (ALSE)	X			\$51,885	\$0	\$0	\$6,753	\$88,431	<b>\$147,069</b>
(4) Cooperating Teacher Alliance	X			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$35,985	\$0	<b>\$35,984</b>
(5) FM Personnel (1.0 FTE Director)	X			\$32,593	\$0	\$93,127	\$23,321	\$0	<b>\$149,041</b>
(6) FM Faculty Lead (J. Diamond)	X			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$18,877	\$0	<b>\$18,877</b>
(7) FM Administrative (e.g., materials and supplies, staff PD, etc.)	X			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,704	\$0	<b>\$9,704</b>
<b>Total (FY20)</b>				<b>\$237,636</b>	<b>\$349,173</b>	<b>\$93,127</b>	<b>\$189,028</b>	<b>\$88,431</b>	<b>\$957,393</b>

<sup>2</sup> In-kind contributions from UW-SoE and MMSD in the form of staff/faculty time, which contribute to the FM partnership, are not represented in this budget view.

<sup>3</sup> Grant funds from Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development support ALSE programming (grant funds available through June 30, 2023).

**Table 3: FM FY21 Summary Budget (2020-21)\***

\* As of May 2021

Programming/Activity	FY21 (2020-21) Forward Madison Programming			FY21 (2020-21) <sup>4</sup> Fund Amount, Source <sup>5</sup>					Total
	Continuing	Continuing w/ Modifications	New	MMSD Funds, Local	MMSD Funds, Federal	MMSD Funds, Donated	FM Funds, UW-SoE (From UW-Madison Chancellor and SoE)	External Grant Funds <sup>6</sup>	
(1) Induction									
(1.1) New Educator Induction - narrowed focus		X		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
(1.2) Principal Induction -virtual programming	X			\$20,387	\$0	\$0	\$6,450	\$0	\$26,837
(2) Workforce Diversity									
(2.1) TEEM Scholars -virtual programming	X			\$7,500	\$0	\$0	\$90,699	\$0	\$98,199
(3) Student Access to High-Quality Fully-Licensed Educators									
(3.1) Accelerated Licensure Special Education (ALSE) - virtual programming	X			\$149,726	\$0	\$0	\$4,450	\$78,066	\$232,241
(4) Cooperating Teacher Alliance	(paused)			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
(5) Tutoring Collaborative (Summer 2021, Fall 2021) -virtual programming			X	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,441	\$0	\$75,441
(6) FM Personnel (1.0 FTE Director) <sup>7</sup>	X			\$77,317	\$0	\$0	\$75,634	\$0	\$152,951
(7) FM Faculty Lead (J. Diamond)	X			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,000	\$0	\$6,000
(8) FM Administrative (e.g., materials and supplies, staff PD, etc.)	X			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,468	\$0	\$4,468
<b>Total (FY21)</b>				<b>\$254,930</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$263,143</b>	<b>\$78,066</b>	<b>\$596,139</b>

<sup>4</sup> As of May 2021; includes some budgetary estimates given the fiscal year is in process.<sup>5</sup> In-kind contributions from UW-SoE and MMSD in the form of staff/faculty time, which contribute to the FM partnership, are not represented in this budget view.<sup>6</sup> Grant funds from Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development support ALSE programming (grant funds available through June 30, 2023).<sup>7</sup> The FM Director took on the additional role of project manager for the Early Literacy and Beyond Task Force in FY21 at roughly 20 hrs/wk Jan.-June 2021.

**Table 4: Projected FM FY22 Budget (2021-22)**

Programming/Activity	2021-22 Forward Madison Programming			2021-22 Fund Amount, Source <sup>8</sup>			Total
	Continuing	Continuing w/ Modifications	New	MMSD Funds, Local	FM Funds, UW-SoE (Existing funds from UW-Madison Chancellor and SoE)	External Grant Funds <sup>9</sup>	
(a) Principal Induction	X			\$29,825	\$7,000	\$0	\$36,825
(b.1) ALSE	X			\$0	\$2,500	\$205,732	\$208,232
(b.2) ALSE Mentoring (20 hrs/wk for Yr 1 of Cohort 2)	X			\$60,000	\$0	\$0	\$60,000
(d) Cooperating Teacher Alliance	X			\$0	\$24,600	\$0	\$24,600
(e) TEEM Scholars - narrowed focus		X		\$0	\$34,455	\$48,000 <sup>10</sup>	\$34,455
(h) TBD - New initiatives prioritized by MMSD /UW-SoE leadership			X	\$0	\$53,581	\$0	\$53,581
(i) FM Personnel (1.0 FTE Director; 0.6 FTE Program Coordinator)	X			\$80,300	\$136,614	\$0	\$216,914
(j) FM Faculty Lead (J. Diamond)	X			\$0	\$6,000	\$0	\$6,000
(k) FM Administrative (e.g., materials and supplies, staff PD, etc.)	X			\$0	\$5,250	\$0	\$5,250
<b>Total (FY22)</b>				<b>\$170,125</b>	<b>\$270,000</b>	<b>\$253,732</b>	<b>\$645,857</b>

<sup>8</sup> In-kind contributions from UW-SoE and MMSD in the form of staff/faculty time, which contribute to the FM partnership, are not represented in this budget view.

<sup>9</sup> Grant funds from Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development support ALSE programming (grant funds available through June 30, 2023).

<sup>10</sup> Scholarship funds from private donor to UW Foundation to use to partially support cost of attendance in first two years for up to 6 TEEM Scholars at UW-Madison beginning in 2021-22 school year.

**TO:** Members of the Board of Education  
Dr. Carlton Jenkins, Superintendent

**FROM:** Briony MacPhee Lyon, Director of Strategic Partnerships

**DATE:** May 27, 2021

**RE:** May 2021 Partnerships Update Questions

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The following are responses to two general partnership questions posed during the May 3, 2021 Instruction Work Group (IWG) meeting.

**Question:** What are the partnerships we are looking for on the horizon?

**Response:** The COVID-19 pandemic and the pivot to virtual learning brought to the forefront the need to strengthen collaboration with organizations and other entities that support reliable access to the internet, as well as mitigate the digital divide. In addition, access to food and food insecurity were among the most pressing issues that needed to be addressed.

There has been a concerted effort to deepen partnerships in these areas. For example, MMSD has now formally partnered with DANEnet and is in the process of formalizing a relationship with Education SuperHighway. DANEnet is a local Madison nonprofit that, through its Digital Equity Project, is “...dedicated to improving social and economic equity by connecting low-income households to affordable internet service and computers, and by providing free computer literacy classes in community centers and libraries.” Education SuperHighway is a national organization that is helping to connect students to broadband for remote learning through its K-12 Bridge to Broadband Initiative. Additional partnerships, organizations and other entities will be needed to support this work, and in particular to provide political and other pressure, as MMSD cannot do this work alone. The district is so committed to this work that it is in the process of hiring a Digital Equity Manager to facilitate this work.

With respect to food access, the Strategic Partnerships Department identified and brought to fruition a new partnership with Second Harvest Food Bank of Southern Wisconsin (SHFB) that met the needs of some of our most vulnerable families, establishing emergency mobile food pantries across Madison. MMSD worked with SHFB to identify key locations, including MMSD schools, to complement the MMSD meal distribution sites, applying an equity lens. Food insecurity and other basic needs remain acute, and additional partners to support these efforts will be needed.

**Question:** How do we leverage successful partnerships and invest in them to a greater extent during the academic day?

**Response:** MMSD actively collaborates with our community to meet common goals and accomplish together what one organization cannot do alone. We leverage local, regional and national resources and support teams to develop and implement high-quality, research-based, innovative strategies that prepare all students for college, career and community. Alignment with MMSD's Strategic Framework, mission, and values is among the most important considerations when developing, promoting, and sustaining these partnerships.

Partnerships evolve to meet the changing needs of students, schools and families. Current partnerships occur both during and outside of the school day. Examples of those that operate during the school day include tutoring programs, behavioral and mental health support, and college prep. Systematic monitoring and review by all involved help ensure continuous improvement and determine how agreements need to change and adapt to meet these needs, expand to better serve students and families, or even, if and when appropriate, to be dissolved.

MMSD's investment in partnerships extends beyond financial support. MMSD recognizes the inherent value of these relationships and provides in-kind support through its committed staff, and other resources, such as space for programming. Investment also requires co-creating, collaborating with, and championing the work of our community partners. This reciprocal relationship is one of the most critical components of the enduring support provided to our students and families, not just within, but also beyond each school's four walls.

Further work in the area of evaluation, growth, and investment in partners and programs will be a component of the partnership policy update and review for the upcoming school year.

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In addition, during the consent agenda discussion at the May 24, 2021 regular Board of Education meeting, the BOE requested more information regarding the Madison-Area Out-of-School Time (MOST) Initiative Data Sharing Agreement (DSA).

**Question:** Who are the 25 organizations/entities that are parties to the MOST DSA?

**Response:**

1. Bayview Foundation
2. Boys and Girls Club of Dane County
3. Big Brothers Big Sisters
4. Bridge Lake Point Waunona Neighborhood Center
5. Centro Hispano
6. CEOs of Tomorrow
7. Community Schools (4 sites)
8. East Madison Community Center



9. Girl Scouts of WI
10. Goodman Community Center
11. Kennedy Heights Community Center
12. Lussier Community Education Center
13. MSCR (34 sites)
14. Madison Starlings
15. Madison Youth Choirs
16. Maydm
17. Middleton Youth Center
18. Oregon Youth Center
19. Red Caboose Child Care Center
20. The First Tee
21. Urban League of Greater Madison (13 sites)
22. Vera Court Neighborhood Center
23. Wil-Mar Neighborhood Center
24. Wisconsin Youth Company (20 sites)
25. YMCA of Dane County (3 sites)

**Action Requested:**

N/A - Providing additional information and responses to questions posed during the May 3, 2021 IWG meeting and the May 24, 2021 Regular BOE meeting.

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**Implications/Next Steps:**

N/A - for information only.



# WEEKLY NEWS REPORT

Edition: 5.27.21

DATE	NEWS ORG	HEADLINE/LINK
5/17/21	NBC-15	<a href="#">Madison police arrest juvenile after West High threat</a>
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5/20 /21	WKOW 27 News	<a href="#">Lieutenant Governor checks out MSCR's outdoor program</a>
5/21/21	Cap Times	<a href="#">MMSD recognizes school garden day</a>
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5/24/21	WI State Journal	<a href="#">Madison's push for earned honors</a>
5/24/21	WI State Journal	<a href="#">Big Brothers Big Sisters moves school friends program online</a>
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5/25/21	Cap Times	<a href="#">Madison students plan LGBTQ+ 'Breaking the Silence' rally</a>
5/25/21	WI State Journal	<a href="#">MTI and MMSD at impasse over teacher contracts</a>
5/25/21	WISC News 3	<a href="#">Whether virtual or in-person, pandemic learning is a hurdle</a>
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5/27/21	Cap Times	<a href="#">Wisconsin Republicans plan to raise K-12 spending by \$150 million; Evers wants \$1.6 billion</a>
5/27/21	WISC News 3	<a href="#">Joint Press Conference: MMSD partners with the City of Madison to announce free summer Metro bus passes</a>
5/27/21	WI Public Radio	<a href="#">Pandemic school budget havoc not as bad as once feared</a>