

Springfield 2021

Superintendent's Report

June 14, 2021

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Report Overview

- Governor's Teacher of the Year Recognition
- Student Celebrations
- Springfield Public Schools: Future Forward
 - New Vision & Mission
 - 2021-2022 Goals
 - Central Office Re-Organization
- District Updates

Congratulations to our Educators of the Year!

- Union County Celebration Video
- Principal's Presentations of the Awards

Congratulations to the Girls Volleyball Team!

Central Jersey Group 1 Sectional State Champions

Coach O'Brien Presents the Jackets!



JDHS STEM Competition

Thanks to Mr. Greg Salmon, Supervisor of STEM for organizing!



Caldwell Students in State Finals of the STEAM Tank Challenge



Introducing the Desk-19, a compact and customizable, at home desk solution that encourages student focus while learning from home.

Students Pictured:
Justin Carvallo, Sharlyn Dubey,
Finley Olson-Sawyer, Suhani Patnaik
and Giovanni Sosa

Celebrating PRIDE Month!



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Springfield Public Schools: Future Forward

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Crafting a New Vision & Mission

- Participated in 5 Board Retreats Centered Establishing Norms for Communication, Reviewing Community Feedback, and Setting Goals
- Reviewed 147 community member survey responses
- Listened, debated, and processed the perspectives offered throughout the school year



Our Vision & Mission

Vision:

Cultivating compassionate and extraordinary learners.

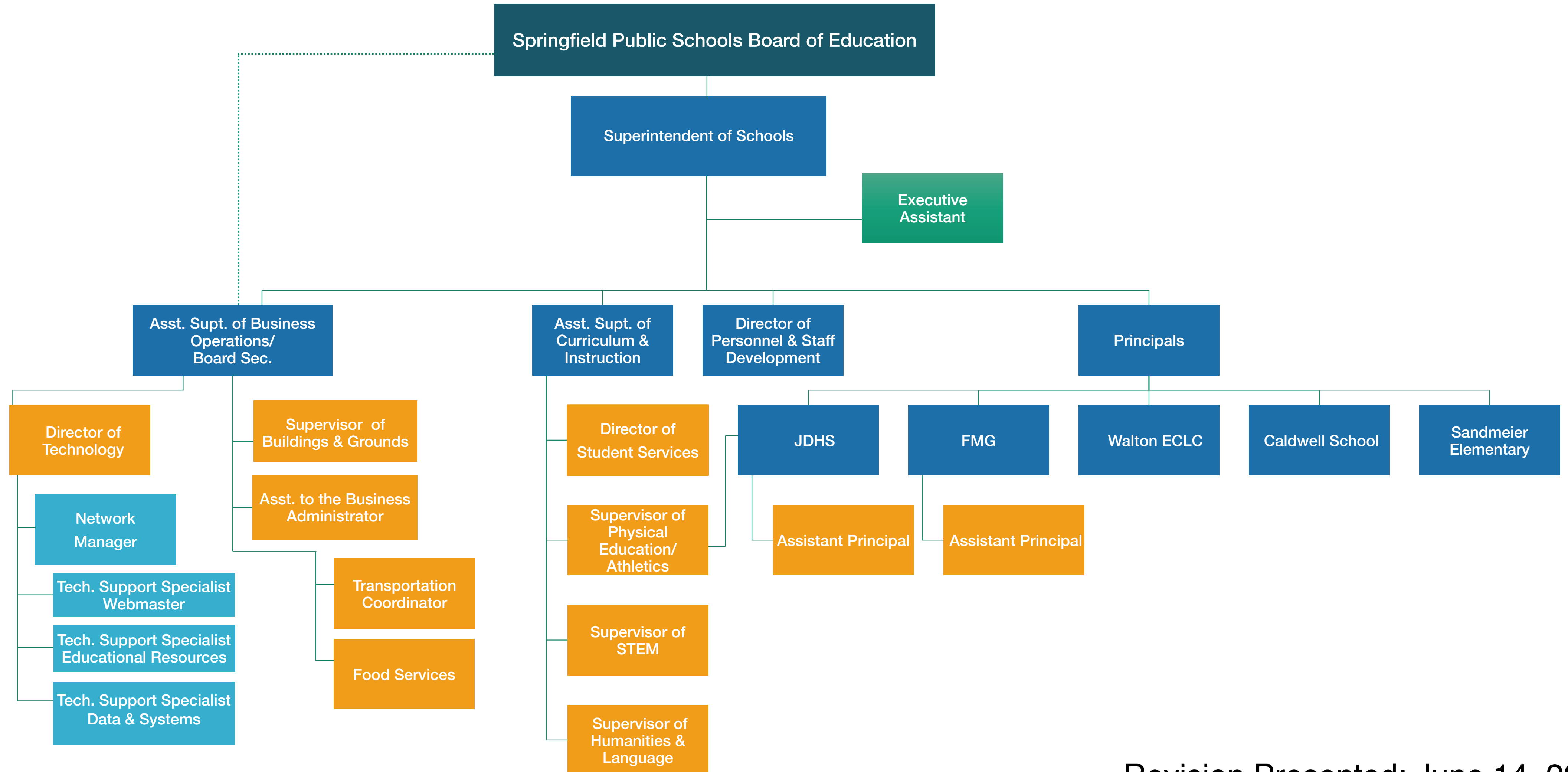
Mission:

Springfield Public Schools will challenge every student through meaningful, engaging experiences — empowering all students to flourish and contribute in an evolving world.

2021-2022 District Goals

1. All students will achieve at high levels with the goal of developing life-long learners and global citizens. This includes providing inclusion opportunities for special education students and utilizing technology to provide meaningful and engaging learning experiences.
2. Provide all students and staff with a safe, secure, and educationally appropriate instructional environment.
3. Maintain a strong organization through fiscal responsibility, policy review, high standards for operational efficiency, and responsible stewardship of taxpayer funds.
4. Engage in clear, consistent, and timely communication with our community.
5. During the 2021-2022 school year, Springfield Public Schools will work to address the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of all students, with specific attention to the impacts of the pandemic and interrupted schooling.

Springfield Public Schools Organization Chart



Revision Presented: June 14, 2021

District Updates

Graduation Updates

Jonathan Dayton High School

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

7:00 pm

JDHS Field

Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School

Rain Date: Thursday, June 17, 2021

6:45 pm

JDHS Field

Vaccination Update

Current Status

- As of today, 244 of 368 (66%) staff members have been identified as fully vaccinated.
- Our nurses are collecting information confirming vaccination status to assist in contact tracing efforts.
- Parents of students who have been vaccinated are asked to contact the school nurse so that the status can be noted.
- We are developing a process for the Fall for JDHS students to share their vaccination status with the nurses.

Summer Academic Support Programs

Date & Times:

- June 28, 2021- July 23, 2021
- 8 am - 12 pm

Locations:

- K-5 Programs at Edward V. Walton Early Childhood Center
- 6-12 Programs at Jonathan Dayton High School
 - Due to construction at FMG over the summer

Program Overview:

- Prioritized outreach to students identified as needing additional support (academic, school transition, social-emotional)
- Introduced a credit recovery program at JDHS for high school students

State Requirements Update

Current Status

- Masks are no longer required for extracurricular outdoor gatherings or events, but they **remain required for all school activities during school hours.**
- Based on the Governor's announcement on Monday, June 7th, masking requirements are relaxed for outdoor activities and in non-air conditioned spaces.
- Social distancing rules are still in effect for schools.

2021-2022 Planning

September 2021:

- All Schools In-Person
 - Any opportunities for virtual instruction related to COVID-19 health concerns will be governed the guidance and regulations provided by the New Jersey Department of Education
- Grades 6-12: We are working with scheduling consultants to review the schedules and will provide updates over the next month. We expect student schedules to be available in July 2021.
- Before-and After-Care will operate as in prior years, with adjustments based on capacity, and information will be shared shortly.

Coming Soon: Safe Return to Schools Draft

On or before Monday, June 24th:

- The district will share a draft document relating to our safe return to schools plan via our website and social media.
- The plan is similar to the plan shared prior to reopening in September 2020, and requires the district to identify the protocols related to health and safety guidance.
- The public is invited to provide comments and feedback on the draft plan.
- Significant areas of the plan are dependent on further guidance from the New Jersey Department of Education.