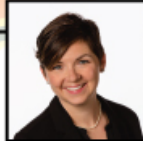




FAYETTE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

# Board Meeting Buzz



## Fayette County Board of Education April 25, 2022

*As part of our commitment to providing timely, clear, and accurate information to students, staff, families, and community members, we are pleased to provide a recap of our monthly school board meetings.*

### WELCOME AND STUDENT PERFORMANCE

Board Chairman Tyler Murphy welcomed members of the public attending the meeting at the John D. Price Administration Building, located at 450 Park Place, as well as those watching the board meeting online. In advance of Administrative Professionals Day on April 27, he thanked Executive Assistant Tanya Dailey for the support she provides for the board. "In all honesty, our board should celebrate Ms. Dailey every day of the year, because she keeps us all on track, and makes sure we have all the things we need to be prepared not just for our meetings but on an ongoing basis." Murphy also extended thanks to the 16th District PTA for providing dinner for the board prior to the meeting, adding, "we appreciate their ongoing support and collaboration."

Tonight's board meeting also featured a performance by the STEAM Academy's Steel Pan Band -- the band performing an arrangement of Ben E. King's "Stand By Me." The students are under the direction of Stephanie Frantz. [Watch it here.](#)

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Under the Superintendent's Report, board members received an update on plans for the district's summer enrichment program called "Summer Ignite." Members of the Summer Ignite Core Team including Assistant Superintendent for Academic Services Meocha Williams, Elementary Director of Teaching and Learning Faneshia Jones, and Elementary School Chiefs Tiffany Marshall, and Jennifer Hutchison gave an overview of the program offerings.



Summer Ignite will provide Fayette County Public Schools students in all grade levels the opportunity to accelerate and extend their learning in advance of the 2022-2023 school year. Each school will offer two sessions:

- Session One will take place Mondays through Thursdays, from June 6 to June 30. Preschool sessions will be from 8 to 11 a.m. Elementary sessions will run from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Middle and high school sessions will be from 8:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
- Session Two, which is for students entering kindergarten, grade six, or grade nine will be from July 25 to July 28. Times will remain the same.

Families will receive information and invitations for their students from the school their children attend. Transportation, as well as breakfast and lunch, will be provided each day.



## CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

Chief Operating Officer Myron Thompson shared the April [construction highlights](#). He noted that the Bates Creek High School construction project is moving forward and 86% of the work is complete. The new school is slated to open in July of 2022. [Weekly construction updates](#) on the Bates Creek High School project are available on the district website.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

During the portion of the meeting for remarks by citizens, the following individual shared comments with the Board related to Harrison Elementary School:

- Mary Mc Lisle

## BOARD ACTION



### The board voted to:

- Approve a contract with Hanover Research to conduct a technology audit in the areas of use of technology systems for district administration and effective use of data.
- Amend the district's contract with the Health Department to provide nursing services during Summer Ignite at schools that do not have a HealthFirst Bluegrass Clinic.
- Award a contract to HQE Systems, Inc. to upgrade the district's crisis management notification system with indoor speakers and radio integration modules at every location in the district.
- Amend the job description for [special education diagnostician](#) to better align the duties of this role with current best practices. This is not a new position and does not represent additional staff.
- Establish job descriptions for [exceptional child resource specialist – psychologist](#) and [exceptional child resource specialist – assistive technology](#). Although these are new positions, the district will not be adding staff, but will instead repurpose two existing positions in order to better meet the needs of our students and ensure we have the staff needed to provide services. The exceptional child resource specialist - psychologist will provide support and leadership on special education evaluations and the delivery of services for students' emotional, behavioral, and learning needs. The exceptional child resource specialist - assistive technology will evaluate, model, and train staff and parents on the full continuum of assistive technology to support access for students with disabilities to the general curriculum.
- Accept the [Monthly Financial Report for March](#).
- Adopt a resolution indicating that the Fayette County Board of Education will conduct facilities-related projects and affairs under the provisions of House Bill 678 enacted during the 2022 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly. This new law will give the board additional flexibility in facility renovation and construction. The board also took formal action to ensure that the purchase of at least 35.523 acres at 2160 Versailles Road would be eligible for this new flexibility.

*The official minutes from April 25, 2022 action meeting will be posted within the agenda of the next meeting of the Fayette County Board of Education.*

## WATCH A PREVIOUS MEETING

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