

## Regular Meeting

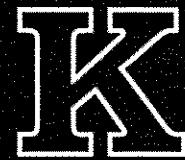
### KILLINGLY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Wednesday, October 11, 2023

7:00 PM

Killingly Town Hall, 172 Main St.  
2nd Floor, Community Mtg. Room

1. **CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **REPORT BY STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS**
4. **RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**- *Members of the public are encouraged to share their thoughts with the Board of Education and are invited to do so during this segment of the meeting. 30 minutes will be allotted for public comment per meeting, limited to no more than 3 minutes , maximum per person. People wishing to speak must sign-up prior to the start of the meeting. When appropriate to do so, members of the Board and the administration may respond to comments. However, in consideration of those in attendance and in an effort to proceed in a timely manner, follow-up discussion may need to take place outside of the meeting setting.*
6. **TOWN COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT**
7. **BOARD CHAIR AND COMMITTEE & LIAISON UPDATES**
  - A. Curriculum Committee
  - B. Facilities Committee
  - C. Fiscal Committee
  - D. Personnel Committee
  - E. Policy Committee
8. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A PROCLAMATION ON PARENTAL RIGHTS**
9. **SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE**
  - A. Student Data Report
  - B. Discussion Regarding Effective School Solutions
10. **CONSENT AGENDA**
  - A. September 27, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes
  - B. October 2, 2023 Student Enrollment
  - C. October 2023 Employee of the Month Nominee
  - D. KHS Photography Club Field Trip Request to Providence, RI
  - E. KHS Ski Club Trip Requests to Wachusett Mtn. in Princeton, MA
  - F. KHS Music Dept. Trip Request to Virginia Beach, March 21-24, 2024
11. **ADJOURNMENT**



Killingly Public Schools  
*Great Things Happen Here!*

# A Snapshot Of Where Our Students Are Academically

2022-2023

# **ATTENDANCE**

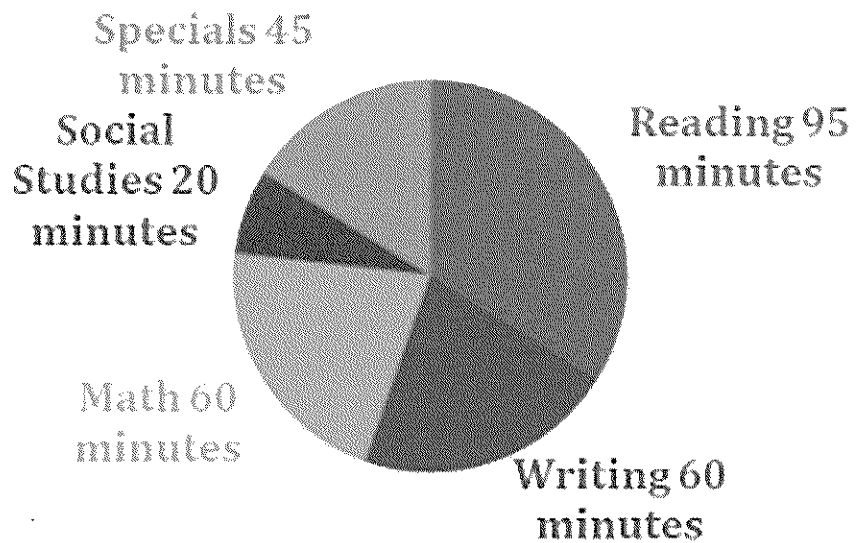
**2021-2022**

**32,291 individual absences**

**2022-2023**

**34,755 individual absences**

## KMS Day



Math:  $60 \times 15 = 15$  hours

Writing:  $60 \times 15 = 15$  hours

Reading  $95 \times 15 = 23.75$  hours

# Where were they when...

<u>Year</u>	Grade												
<b>22-23</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>K</b>
<b>21-22</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>20-21</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>19-20</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>

# ELA

Grade	District Assessment Name(s)	Spring 23
K	GRL	63%
1	GRL	64%

Grade	District Assessment Name(s)	# of students	Fall SS	Winter SS	Spring SS	Change
2	STAR	163	828	877	915	87
3	STAR	152	905	941	957	52
4	STAR	165	960	975	986	26
5	STAR	184	1012	1028	1038	26
6	STAR	162	1030	1046	1058	28
7	STAR	148	1044	1066	1071	27
8	STAR	119	1065	1072	1088	23

# MATH

Grade	District Assessment Name(s)	% at or above benchmark			
		Spring 23'			
K	CBM- counting and cardinality	91%			
1	CBM- operations & algebreic thinking	82%			
		Scaled Score			Change
		Fall 22'	Winter 22'	Spring 23'	
2	STAR	824	876	914	90
3	STAR	895	924	957	62
4	STAR	941	969	990	49
5	STAR	1003	1006	1030	27
6	STAR	998	1016	1035	37
7	STAR	1049	1070	1075	26
8	STAR	1059	1068	1087	28

# How might a learning gap from K or 1 impact a student's opportunity to succeed in later grades?

**K**

Understand that  
the "1" in 19  
represents 10

**Grade 2 & 3**

Able to add  
within 1000

**Grade 1**

$$39 + 27$$

**Grade 4**

Able to add  
within  
1,000,000

**Grade 5**

Multiply and divide  
multi-digit numbers

$$6,725 \times 491$$

$$27 \overline{)8,943}$$

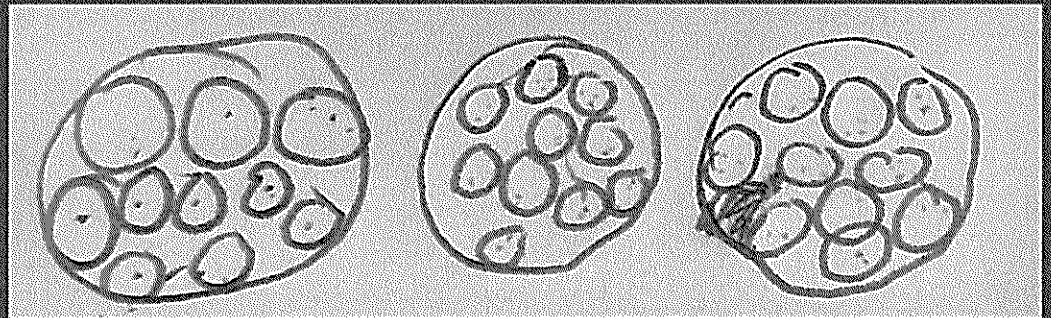
Add, subtract,  
multiply and divide  
numbers with  
decimals

$$32 \times 78.02$$

How might a learning gap from K or 1 impact a student's opportunity to succeed in later grades?

If a student's understanding of place value is not solid leaving grade 1, it will impact their ability to **add/subtract** larger numbers in grades 2-4 and will impact their ability to **multiply/divide** in grades 3-5.

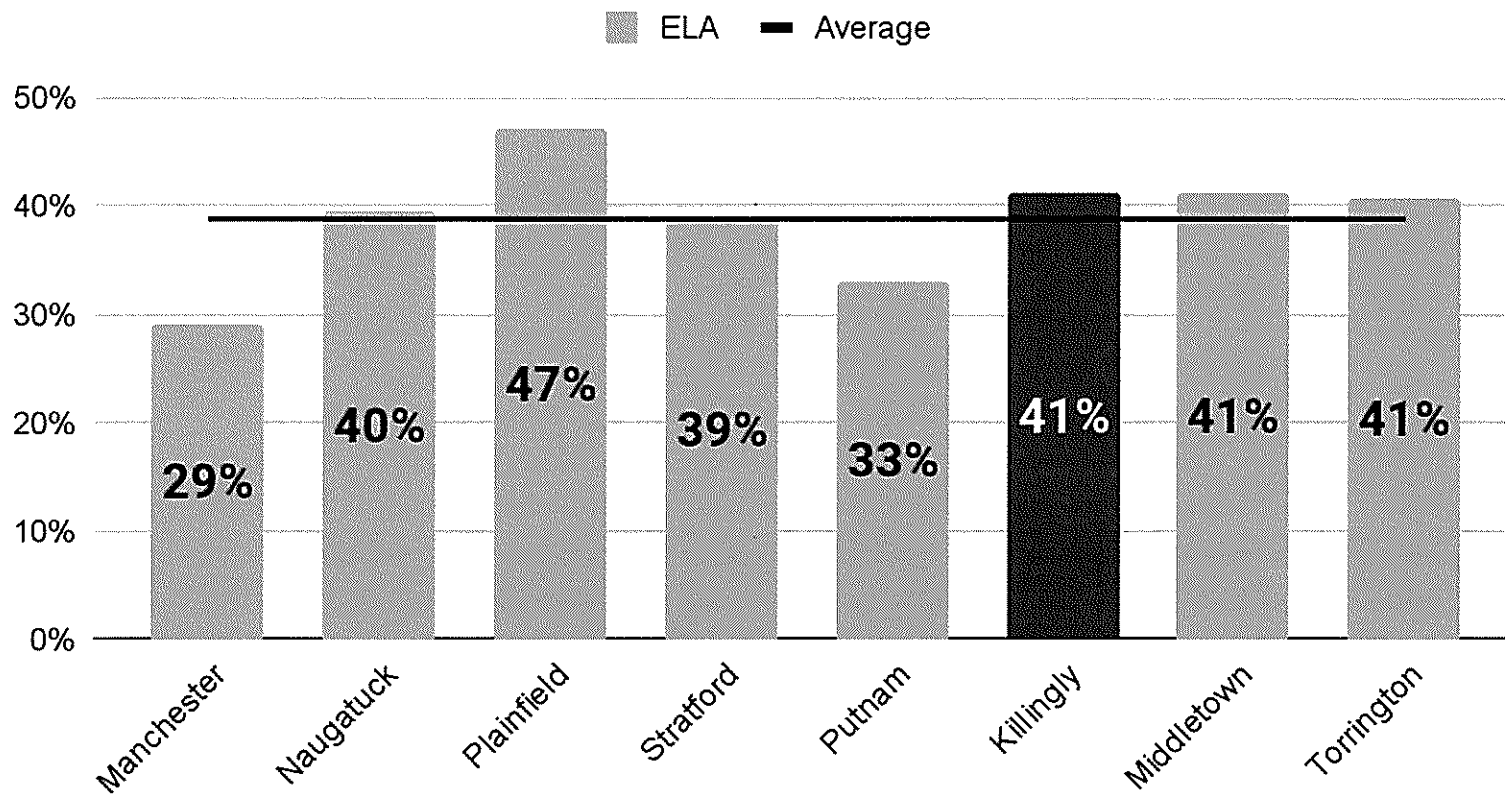
# Impact on multiplying and dividing



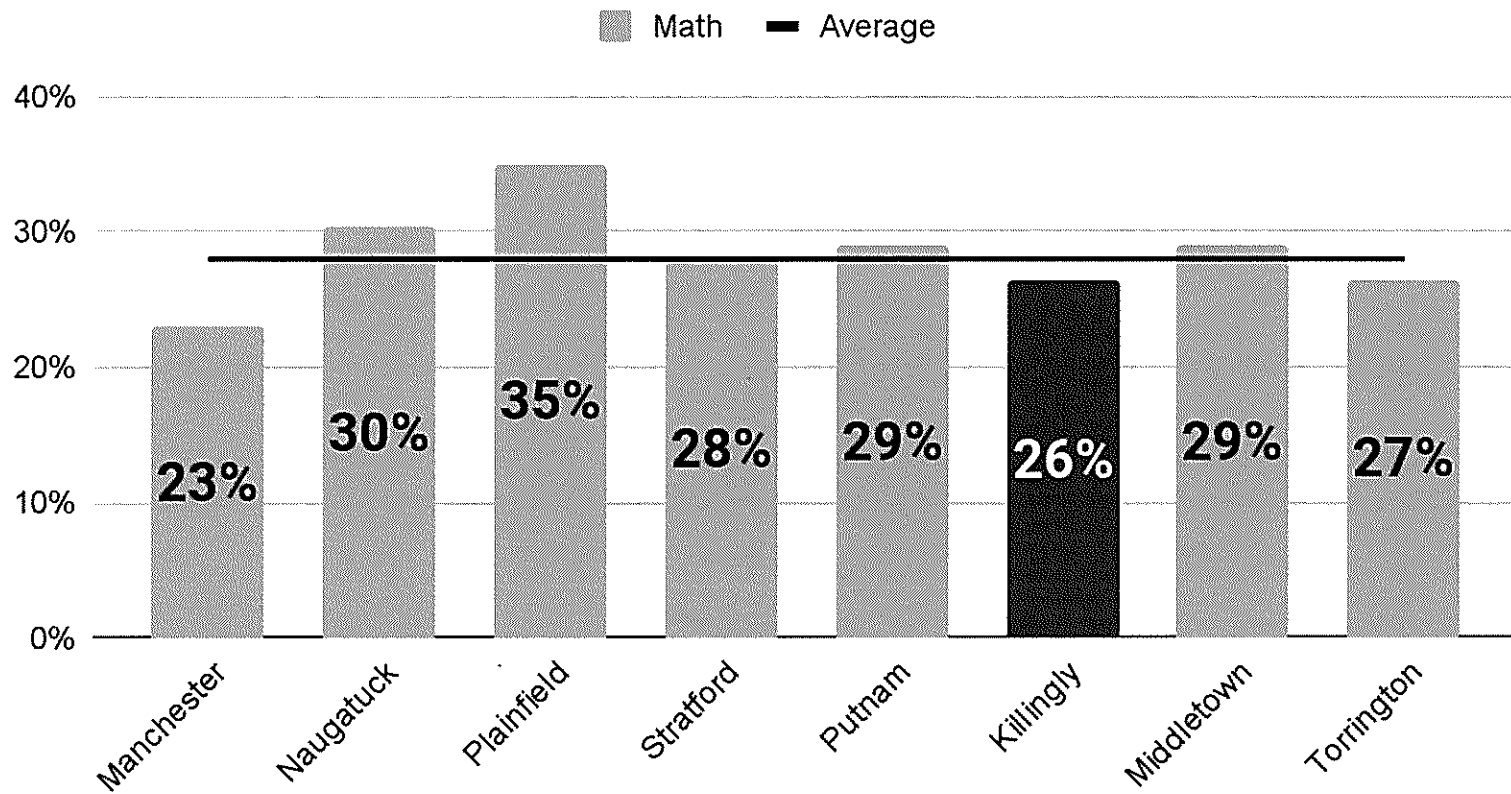
## **These strategies:**

- **Are prone to mistakes and errors**
- **Are inefficient and time consuming which impacts perseverance**
- **Will not be useful as the rigor and expectations increase in grade 5**

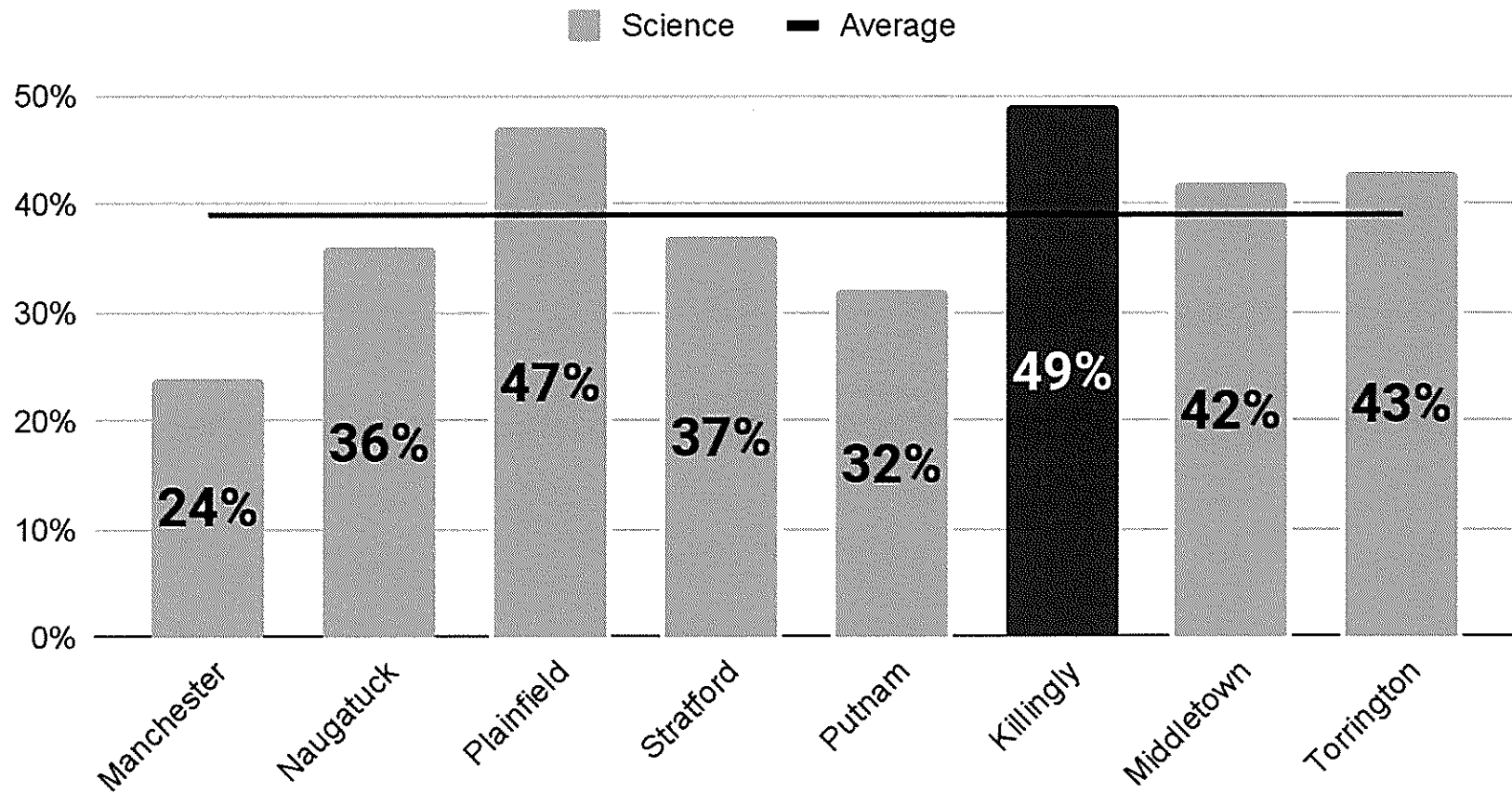
## SBAC Comparision with DRG ELA



## SBAC Comparision with DRG Math



## NGSS Science Comparision with DRG

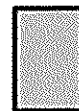


# SAT Benchmarks - Class of 2024

## % of Students Who Met SAT Benchmarks



One or Both Benchmarks



Neither Benchmark

Killingly

62%

State

54%

World-wide

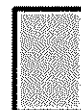
54%

# PSAT Benchmarks - Class of 2026

## % of Students Who Met PSAT Benchmarks



One or Both Benchmarks



Neither Benchmark

Killingly

64%

State

57%

World-wide

59%

## Continued Next Steps...

- Evidence of sustained growth on the PSAT & SAT
- Evidence of K - 2 student growth

**KILLINGLY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Wednesday, September 27, 2023**  
**7:00 PM**  
**Killingly Town Hall, 172 Main St.**  
**2nd Floor, Town Hall Community Meeting Room**

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Ferron called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Mr. Napierata lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Board Members:** Norm Ferron, Jennifer Hegedus, Susan Lannon, Kelly Martin, Kyle Napierata, Lydia Rivera-Abrams, and Danny Rovero were present. Laura Dombkowski and Laura Lawrence were absent with notification.

**Others Present:** Superintendent Dr. Nash- Ditzel, Assistant Superintendent Jeffrey Guiot, Manager of Business Affairs Christine Clark, Student Melody Kettle, Council Rep Patti George and Secretary Buzalski.

**3. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

KIS Principal Bryant Sheldon, KIS teacher Mike Morrill, and students from the National Junior Honor Society presented the "Start with Hello" project.

**4. REPORT BY STUDENT BOARD MEMBER**

Student Board member Melody Kettle gave the Board an update on school activities. Mr. Ferron excused the Melody at 7:18 p.m.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT - None**

**6. BOARD CHAIR AND COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- A. Curriculum Committee – no update
- B. Facilities Committee – no update
- C. Fiscal Committee - no update
- D. Personnel Committee - no update
- E. Policy Committee - no update

**7. FINANCIAL REPORT-2022-23 YEAR-END FOLLOW-UP REPORT**

Ms. Clark presented the 2022-23 Year-end Follow-up Report.

**8. MONTH OF AUGUST 2023 FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ms. Clark presented the August 2023 Financial Report.

**9. REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING MONTHLY CHECK AUTHORIZATION**

- 9.A. 2022-23FY June, July & August Check Authorizations
- 9.B. 2023-24FY July & August Check Authorizations

**Ms. Hegedus made a motion, seconded by Mr. Napierata to approve the Monthly Check Authorizations as presented. Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

**10. SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE**

Dr. Nash presented the following:

A. Teacher Evaluation (T-Eval) Update

B. Discussion and Possible Approval of Title I, II and III

**Ms. Lannon made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rovero, to approve the submission of the Title I, II, and III grants.**

**Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

C. Safety Drill Update

**11. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF TRANSFER TO SUPPORT KHS WORLD LANGUAGE VIRTUAL LEARNING**

Dr. Nash explained the need for the transfer and the amounts.

**Ms. Hegedus made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rivera-Abrams, to approve a transfer of \$48,750 from Salary to Pro-Tech lines.**

**Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

**12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING TRANSFER TO SUPPORT EFFECTIVE SCHOOL SOLUTIONS CONTRACTS FOR ILP CLASSROOMS AT KMS & KHS**

Dr. Nash explained the request and asked the Board not to take any action at this time in order to negotiate a better contract.

**Ms. Lannon made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hegedus, to table agenda item 12.**

**Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

**13. CONSENT AGENDA**

13.A September 13, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

**Mr. Rovero made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lannon, to add a KHS Marching Band Trip Request to the consent agenda as item 13.B**

**Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

Ms. Hegedus pulled agenda item 13A.

13.B. KHS Marching Band Trip Request to Woonsocket, RI on October 9, 2023.

**Mr. Napierata made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lannon, to approve agenda item 13.B as presented.**

**Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

**Ms. Rivera-Abrams made a motion, seconded by Ms. Martin, to amend the minutes, and add under Roll Call, *Others Present* and to also add under the Town Council Liaison's Report, *the Town Council voted to authorize a transfer of up to \$746,742 to the established Unexpended Education Funds Account for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022.***

**Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

**Ms. Rivera-Abrams made a motion, seconded by Ms. Martin to accept the consent agenda as amended.**

**Voice vote: Unanimous, Ms. Hegedus abstained. Motion passed.**

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**Ms. Lannon made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hegedus, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Voice vote: Unanimous. Motion passed.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

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The votes of each member shall be made available within forty-eight hours and the minutes shall be made available within seven days. Copies are available at the Central Office, 79 Westfield Ave.

Minutes and a video recording of this meeting can be found at  
<https://www.killinglyschools.org/about-us/board-of-education>

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Respectfully Submitted,

*Elizabeth Buzalski*

Recording Secretary

October 2, 2023							September 1, 2023						
GRADE	KHS	KIS	KCS	KMS	GDYR	OD	GRADE	KHS	KIS	KCS	KMS	GDYR	OD
PREK					117	0	PREK					117	0
K			149			1	K			149			1
1			177			0	1			175			0
2				145		3	2				152		2
3				180		0	3				185		1
4				160		2	4				163		2
5		184				4	5		185				4
6		183				2	6		186				2
7		164				5	7		164				5
8		166				4	8		169				4
9	198					6	9	205					5
10	226					10	10	226					10
11	178					5	11	174					4
12	158					20	12	166					19
Totals	760	697	326	485	117	62	Totals	771	704	324	500	117	59

COMPARATIVE DATA: 2022-2023								KMS by Teacher		KCS by Teacher	
								Crabtree, M.-2	18	Angelo, K.-K	17
								Fratoni, D.-2	15	Collins, K.-K	16
								Juhola, N.-2	15	Crawford, K.-K	15
								Lanzoni, L.-2	16	Horne, F.-K	16
GECC	KCS	KMS	KIS	KHS	OD	Total	Maheu, J. - 2	17	Johndrow, D.-K	16	
January 3, 2022	98	368	509	649	744	61	2,429	McMerriman,S.-2	15	Laboeuf, K.-K	16
February 1, 2022	101	369	513	644	742	61	2,430	Moulton, J.-2	16	Livingston, H.-K	13
March 1, 2022	107	367	514	643	737	60	2,428	Riordan, E.-2	16	Parsell, S.-K	16
April 1, 2022	110	371	511	644	733	59	2,428	Sakidovitch, A.-2	17	Racine, M.-K	17
May 2, 2022	113	374	513	643	729	59	2,431	Bligood, C.-3	22	Blackmar, C.-1	20
June 1, 2022	114	372	512	643	723	59	2,423	Breen, T.-3	23	Brock, J.-1	19
June 14, 2022	114	372	512	643	721	59	2,421	Carlson, J.-3	21	Ellis, A. - 1	19
September 8, 2022	100	336	539	669	781	53	2,478	Gaulin, N.-3	21	Guillot, J.-1	18
October 3, 2022	101	335	532	671	788	52	2,479	Hand, H.-3	24	Horvath S.-1	19
November 1, 2022	107	339	530	666	780	53	2,475	Penner, K. -3	24	Kouatly, K.-1	17
December 1, 2022	105	341	531	661	778	53	2,469	Siegmund, L.-3	22	Santaniello,M.-1	19
January 4, 2023	105	339	531	664	773	54	2,466	Tillinghast, A.-3	23	Steuernagel, M.-	17
February 1, 2023	110	340	530	665	763	58	2,466	Breen, C.-4	21	Watson, J.-1	20
March 1, 2023	109	340	526	665	762	58	2,460	Burdick, S.-4	21	Chito, A - IL	7
April 3, 2023	115	340	527	657	766	59	2,464	Delfarno, M.-4	19	Dean, J. - IL	9
May 1, 2023	118	340	527	659	765	58	2,467	Lee, B.-4	19	Total	326
June 1, 2023	119	339	526	655	764	57	2,460	Lisee, B.-4	20		
June 23, 2023	118	339	527	655	760	58	2,457	Scott, A.-4	18		
September 1, 2023	117	324	500	704	771	59	2,475	Tenaglia, D.-4	20		
October 2, 2023	117	326	485	697	760	62	2,447	Williamson, G.-4	22		
							0	Total	485		
							0				
							0				
							0				
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							0				

<b>Agency and Sp. Ed. Placements</b>	
<b>Agency-Out of District</b>	
<b>Preston Veterans Memorial - Preston, CT</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Agency Total</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Local- Out of District</b>	
<b>ASD (American School for the Deaf), West Hartford, CT</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>ARC of NE CT- Danielson, CT</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Bradley School -Thompson, CT</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>CREC Birken - Bloomfield,CT</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>CREC Riverstreet - South Windsor, CT</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>EASTCONN Bridges - Columbia, CT</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>EASTCONN NRP - Danielson, CT</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>EASTCONN Transition - Willimantic, CT</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Harmony Hill - Chepachet, RI</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>High Roads - Danielson, CT</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Horizons - Windham, CT</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Learning Clinic - Brooklyn,CT</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Natchaug Joshua Center - Danielson, CT</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Ocean Learning Academy, New London, CT</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Ocean State Learning Academy, Providence, RI</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Project Genesis - Windham, CT</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Sargent Rehabilitation Center, Providence, RI</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Susan Wayne Center - Thompson, CT</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Watford Country School - Quaker Hill, CT</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Local Out of District Total</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>Agency</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>

**KILLINGLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Goodyear Early Childhood Center  
Killingly Family Resource Center  
22 Williamsville Road, P.O. Box 218  
Killingly, CT 06263

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*Sally Sherman, Principal*

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Mr. Steve Pellerin as the Goodyear Early Childhood Center employee of the month. Mr. Pellerin serves as the custodian for our building and joined the Goodyear team in April, 2022. It was apparent from his first day on the job that our building would become a brighter place to be.

Children's health and safety is always our first priority. Because our program is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), we have specific standards related to Health and Physical Environment. Additionally, we are expected to meet Health and Safety Requirements as part of receiving CT Office of Early Childhood School Readiness Grant funding. A checklist is completed during all quarterly monitoring visits which includes items such as "outdoor play area is safe; classroom is clean and furniture/equipment is in good repair." Mr. Pellerin is key to our program meeting all these requirements. He understands that young children must be provided a clean, safe environment in which to learn. The floors in our building are where much of our teaching and learning take place. Mr. Pellerin understands this and is attentive to their cleanliness through-out the school day. We encourage three and four-year olds to explore a variety of materials-from playdough to glitter to mud. Mr. Pellerin can be counted on to do clean ups of all kinds with a smile on his face.

Many visitors to our building comment what a warm, welcoming, nurturing environment we provide for young children and their families. Mr. Pellerin has everything to do with that. He spreads positivity wherever he goes; we can often locate him by hearing his singing and laughter. He goes above and beyond each and every day, for each and every child and staff member.

Thank you for this opportunity to publicly recognize and thank Mr. Pellerin for his dedication to the children, families, and staff of the Goodyear Early Childhood Center.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sally Sherman  
Principal, Goodyear Early Childhood Center  
Director, Killingly Family Resource Center

Trip Number: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Billing Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bldg Use Sequence (e.g. 010-1-001)

DESTINATION/DIRECTIONS (be specific): Providence, RI - Drop off  
at the Roger Williams National Memorial

Objectives of Trip (relation to curriculum, etc.): A city environment  
for architectural and street photography.

<u>  X  </u>	School Bus	_____	_____
_____	Mini Bus	_____	_____
_____	Other (specify)	_____	_____
_____	Van	_____	_____

NOTE: Requests to be submitted with all entries complete at least two weeks prior to the trip. Approval will be given only for trips where careful and early planning insures that worthwhile educational outcomes will result. PLEASE NOTE: Head teacher (school) is responsible for any parking fees.

l3e  
Transportation Supervisor

# KILLINGLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FIELD TRIP REQUEST

REV. 7/08

Trip Number:

Bldg      Use      Sequence (e.g. 010-1-001)

Billing Code: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL: 445 GRADE/CLASS/CLUB: SLC Club DATE: 9/12/23

TEACHER/FIELD TRIP LEADER: Janet Carvel

DATE OF TRIP: 1/8, 1/22, 1/29

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 70

NUMBER OF CHAPERONES: 3

DEPARTURE TIME: 30m

RETURN TIME: 9:45 PM

**On a school day: 8:30 AM or later unless approved in writing by the Transportation Supervisor**

2 PM or earlier unless approved in writing by the Transportation Supervisor

DESTINATION/DIRECTIONS (be specific): \_\_\_\_\_

Wachusett Mt Princeton MA

Yes NA No      Transportation availability confirmed with Transportation Supervisor.

Datto  
 Contract Attached  
 for Charter Bus

Objectives of Trip (relation to curriculum, etc.): To bring students out

ok a MT + enjoy time skiing or snowboarding

Transportation Desired: \_\_\_\_\_ Names of Chaperones: \_\_\_\_\_

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Names of Chaperones:

School Bus James Green

Mini Bus 150th Street

Other (specify) Parent TRD

\_\_\_\_\_  
Van \_\_\_\_\_

**Special Equipment Required:**

Substitutes Req. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Car Seats \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number)

Aide(s) Required \_\_\_\_\_

           Handicap Equipped

Nurse Required \_\_\_\_\_

Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

(Number)

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Teacher John Carter

  
Principal/Program Administrator

Superintendent's Office

N/A  
Transportation Supervisor

Side 1 of 2

***Killingly High School Music Department***  
***Virginia Beach, Virginia, with “Festivals of Music”***  
***March 21 – 24, 2024***

The KHS Music Department performing groups will be traveling to Virginia Beach, Virginia, during the third weekend in March of 2024. The music department will leave Thursday morning, March 21<sup>st</sup>, and return Sunday evening, March 24<sup>th</sup>. The students, directors, and chaperones will travel by hired motor coach, (approximately 10-11 hours each way). The trip will include 3 nights at the Holiday Inn Oceanside, Virginia Beach, Virginia. Students will be housed in quads. This will be a musically competitive trip with “*Festivals of Music*.” Vocally, Concert Choir and Chamber Choir will compete. Instrumentally, the Symphonic Band, Jazz Band, and Percussion Ensemble will compete. The participants will also experience a related activity and group dinner, tickets to Busch Gardens with meal voucher, and the awards ceremony while in Busch Gardens! The Music Department will be traveling with Perkins Travel, based in New Britain, Connecticut.

**Cost of Trip:**                    **Approximately \$850.00 per student, based upon number of participating students/chaperones (approximately 110 total participants).**  
**3-4 fundraisers have already occurred, and additional fundraisers totaling at least four will be organized by our Booster Club to assist students financially this year. The first fundraiser of the year began on September 25th. We anticipate being able to lower the total price per student considerably through fundraising efforts.**

**Expenses covered:**    Motorcoaches,  
                                 Hotel,  
                                 3 Breakfasts,  
                                 3 Dinners,  
                                 1 Lunch  
                                 taxes, tips.  
                                 Also included:  
                                 One Day Admission to Busch Gardens and Awards Ceremony,  
                                 An additional unconfirmed experience.  
                                 All adjudication expenses.

**NOT covered:**            The price of the trip includes at least two meals per day for all participants (combination of breakfast, lunch and dinner). All other meals are the financial responsibility of each participant, as are personal souvenirs and snacks.