



November 13, 2023

Presentations/Recognitions

Recognition of American Education Week, School Board Members Day

Director of Community Relations Jennifer Tempest Bova began the meeting by recognizing the 830 staff members in the district for their service and commitment to the children of District 62 as part of American Education Week (November 12-18) while also acknowledging the seven community members who make up the Board of Education and give their time to support the staff and students as part of School Board Member Appreciation Day (November 15).

2023 Winter Card Contest Winners

This year's Winter Card Design Contest winners were announced with nearly 40 submissions this year. District 62 extends its deepest appreciation to Frisbie Senior Center visitors and our community leaders who served as judges to determine this year's winners.



Congratulations to the 2023 Winter Card Contest Winners:

1st Place

Lily Lawpattanapong, Grade 7, Chippewa Middle

2nd Place

Zayuri Medina, Grade 5, Orchard Place School

3rd Place

Mahi Shah, Grade 6, Chippewa Middle School



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Student Learning and Support Services Update

Strategic Plan Goal Monitoring: Central and Terrace Schools

Principal Erica Cupuro shared an update from Central Elementary School while Principal Dr. Bradley Stein shared an update from Terrace Elementary School. Both presentations centered on how the schools are focused on all five goals of the District 62 Strategic Plan.

A copy of the Central presentation can be accessed [here](#). A copy of the Terrace presentation can be accessed [here](#).

Strategic Plan Action Plan and SWOT Analysis Review

Superintendent Dr. Michael Amadei provided the Board of Education with an update on progress to date as it relates to the following goals:

Goal 2: Learning Environment and Supports

- Student Equity and Belonging

Goal 3: Working Environment and Supports

- Satisfaction
- Staffing Recruitment & Retention

Goal 4: Involved Families and Community

- Middle School and Maine Township Partnership
- Website

Goal 5: Stewardship of Resources

- Space

Updates regarding the district's fall strategic plan process which involves District 62 students, District 207 students, staff, families and community can be found on the [website](#).

Student Performance Monitoring: District 62 Assessments, Including IAR, ISA, DLM, and ACCESS

Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services Dr. Laura Sangroula, Co-Interim Assistant Superintendent for Student Services Dr. Judy Hackett and Director of Second Language Programs Elizabeth Juskiewicz provided an overview of District 62's student performance. The purpose of the student performance monitoring presentation is to provide the Board of Education with a review of District 62's performance in key areas. This year's [presentation](#) provides an overview of the state's annual assessments which included

- IAR: The Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) is the state assessment and accountability measure for Illinois public schools. IAR

District 62 Administration

Dr. Michael Amadei

Superintendent of Schools

Mark Bertolozzi, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services

Kathleen Kelly Colgan, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

Dr. Lea Anne Frost, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Student Services

Dr. Laura Sangroula, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services

Adam Denenberg, Chief Technology Officer

Elizabeth Juskiewicz, Director for Second Language Learners' Programs

Jennifer Tempest Bova, Director of Community Relations

Margarite Beniaris, Director of Student Services

Colin Baer, Director of Social Emotional Learning

Dr. Julie Fogarty, Director of Curriculum

Michael Vilendrer, Director of Operations, Maintenance and Transportation

Christina Bowman, Curriculum Coordinator and Data Specialist

Anel Escamilla, ELL Coordinator

Carlos Rojas, ELL Coordinator

Erica Tae, ELL Coordinator

Jill Dzik, Student Services Coordinator

Benjamin Keele, Student Services Coordinator

Kristan Krupinski, Student Services Coordinator

Margaret Sarti, Student Services Coordinator

Brandon Schaefer, Student Services Coordinator

Katerina Vaselopulos, Student Services Coordinator

assesses the new Illinois Learning Standards incorporating the Common Core in English Language Arts and Mathematics for 3rd-8th gradestudents.

- **ISA:**The Illinois Science Assessment (ISA) is administered to students in 5th and 8th grade. The assessment is aligned to the Illinois Learning Standards for Science incorporating the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).
- **DLM:** The Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) is administered to students with the most significant cognitive disabilities who qualify for alternate assessment.
- **ACCESS:** The English proficiency exam for English learners (ELs) which includes aural comprehension (listening), speaking, reading, and writing skills, of all children of limited English-speaking ability in any grades K through 8.

Tentative Levy Information for 2023 Tax Year

As discussed at the October 16, 2023 Board Meeting, the district must adopt the Tentative 2023 Levy at the November 13, 2023 Board Meeting and authorize the Administration to publish the Public Hearing Notice. The levy model includes a projected increase for New Property EAV, which could include new property from house starts throughout the district, and the expiration of a Rosemont TIF. Based upon the increase in the 2022 Consumer Price Index, Urban (CPI-U) of 5.0% and the projected increase in the New Property EAV, the tax rate model has calculated an increase over 5.0% in the overall projected 2023 levy dollars from the prior year. At the Board of Education’s direction, the overall increase on tax capped funds levied will be 2.91%, which will yield a levy on tax capped funds about \$3 million less than the maximum allowed under PTELL. The increase over the prior year does not include the Debt Service Fund Levy. At the December 18, 2023 Board meeting, as part of the Levy Hearing, the Board of Education will abate the 2023 Debt Service Fund Levy, which is estimated to be \$7,365,750.

As it does annually, the district will abate the Debt Service Fund, which totals over \$7.3 million this year. The Board of Education will continue to abate the recapture levy, which has ranged between \$1.1 million and \$2.1 million since it became available two years ago.

At the Board of Education’s direction, the district will under levy on tax capped funds by approximately \$3 million.

Approval of Student Fee Recommendations

The Board of Education adopted the student fee recommendations, which is to maintain 2024/2025 student fees at the same levels as the 2023/2024 fee schedules as noted below.

2024/2025 Total Student Instructional Fees Schedule

- Kindergarten – \$78.00
- Grade 1 – \$84.00
- Grade 2 – \$84.00
- Grade 3 – \$88.00
- Grade 4 – \$88.00
- Grade 5 – \$88.00

- Grade 6 – \$131.00
- Grade 7 – \$118.00
- Grade 8 – \$118.00

AMS & CMS 8th Grade Promotion Fee – \$20.00 - Collected Separately
Technology Maintenance Fee - \$30.00 per Device - Collected Separately

Optional Fees (Replacement/additional items purchased separately)

Combination Lock Set - \$13.00

PE Shirt - \$8.00

PE Shorts - \$8.00

Extracurricular Fee - \$25.00 (\$50 for sports that require a referee) with a maximum extracurricular fee of \$75 per student.

Three-Year Facilities Project Outlook

To keep the Board of Education informed as to the upcoming facility needs throughout the district, Administration provides the Board of Education with a three-year facility project outlook on an annual basis. This outlook is tentative, especially in the later years, and projects may be moved up or down in priority based on changes in need, condition, pricing, weather, and supply chain issues. For items listed in the coming year, preliminary work may be in the process of starting to get items like surveying, engineering plans, project specs, and permit applications completed in a timely manner. Please note that the budget estimates are based on recent costs of similar projects, which may or may not be accurate to estimating the cost of future work. A copy of the three-year facilities outlook can be accessed [here](#).


Plainfield Elementary School & Maintenance Building HVAC Bid Results

As listed on the district's three-year facilities outlook, improvements to the HVAC systems for the Plainfield Elementary School Gym and Maintenance building are needed. The gym rooftop unit at Plainfield is operating on one compressor and uses refrigerant that is no longer available due to environmental regulations. If the last compressor fails the gym will no longer have air conditioning. The rooftop HVAC unit at the maintenance building is failing and parts are no longer available due to the age of the unit. The district went out to bid with the 2010 Engineering Group. A total of eight bids were received on November 8, 2023, which ranged from \$292,825 to \$419,000. The low bidder was Martin Petersen Company, Inc, a firm that has previously performed work for the district. The Board of Education approved the Martin Petersen bid at a cost of \$292,825.

Communications

Board of Education

Board Member Duckmann thanked those who attended the IASB North Cook dinner meeting which featured State Superintendent Dr. Tony Sanders. Member Duckmann also shared a few upcoming events sponsored by IASB. Vice President Morley reported on behalf of the District 62 Education Foundation. A pizza war



fundraiser is anticipated to take place in early 2024. Member Haring shared that the Des Plaines History Center is seeking a new Executive Director and Media Specialist. President Burton shared that members of the Board of Education will be attending the IASB Annual Conference beginning on November 16.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent Dr. Michael Amadei acknowledged all District 62 staff as part of American Education Week, November 12-18. Dr. Amadei thanked the Board of Education for their quality and commitment in honor of School Board Members Day, November 15. Board Member Garrett received her Established Board Leader recognition from IASB. Dr. Amadei discussed the upcoming solar eclipse that will take place in April of 2024 and how this will be integrated into the curriculum this spring. In conclusion, Dr. Amadei shared this month's [D62 story](#) highlighting Algonquin Middle School Instrumental Music Teacher Ms. Kristin Vaziri and her students as they have assembled the district's first mariachi band.

Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Mark Bertolozzi provided an update regarding the modular classrooms. After consulting with Willscott there was an issue regarding the installation of the classrooms that would involve additional costs and engineering work related to the foundation. The district is exploring moving forward with Vesta to possibly install modular classrooms in early 2024.