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### AGENDA FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023 AT 6:00 PM REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The Milford Board of Education will hold this meeting in-person in the Milford High School Auditorium. Public comment will be held in-person only.

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It is anticipated that the board will open a regular session meeting and adjourn into executive session during the beginning portion of this meeting for the reasons identified below, then adjourn into a regular session meeting at <u>approximately 7:00 pm</u>.

### 1. Call to Order by President

2. Roll Call

Dr. Adam Brownstein Mr. Matt Bucher Mrs. Ashlee Connell Mr. Victor "Butch" Elzey Mr. Scott Fitzgerald Mrs. Jennifer Massotti Mrs. Jean Wylie

- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Approval of Minutes A. Regular Meeting Minutes for November 20, 2023 *Action Item*

### 5. Adjournment to Executive Session <u>Action Item</u>

- A. Personnel Matters See 29 Del. C § 10004(b)(9)
  - 1. Discussion of the personnel report and the competencies of staff recommended for hire

### 6. Return to Open Session (anticipated at 7:00 pm) <u>Action Item</u>

### 7. Changes to Agenda

### 8. Public Comment

### 9. Superintendent's Report

- A. State Educational Support Personnel of the Year Banquet MSD Honoree Mrs. Christa Henderson
- B. Strategic Plan Update Quadrant 1: Supporting the Whole Student Mrs. Jennifer Hallman, Director of Student Services

### 10. Academic Excellence: Dr. Kelly Carvajal Hageman

- A. Student Matter Update and Update on Discipline and Commitment to Transparency to the Community Dr. Jessica Weller
- B. A December to Remember Dr. Bobbie Kilgore
- C. Field Trip Approvals Action Item

### 11. Building Our Future: Dr. Sara Hale

- A. Monthly Revenue and Expenditure Reports as of November 30, 2023 Action Item
- B. Construction Change Order Approval Action Item
- C. Milford Middle School Project Bid Pack B Approvals Action Item
- D. JUUL Update

### 12. Empowering and Investing in our People: Ms. Laura Manges

- A. Personnel <u>Action Item</u>
- B. Administrative Contracts Action Item

### 13. Supporting the Whole Student

A. Fall Sports Summary – Mr. Jed Bell

### 14. Board Discussion

- A DSBA Updates
- B. Recommended Deletion of Board Policies for Action
  - 1. Board Policy 2001 Line and Staff Relations Action Item
  - 2. Board Policy 2002 Superintendent Action Item
  - 3. Board Policy 2004 Director of Student Learning Action Item
  - 4. Board Policy 2005 Director of Human Resources and School Climate Action Item
  - 5. Board Policy 2006 Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds Action Item
  - 6. Board Policy 2007 Supervisor of Child Nutrition Action Item
  - 7. Board Policy 2008 Supervisor of Transportation Action Item
  - 8. Board Policy 2009 Principal Action Item
  - 9. Board Policy 2010 Assistant Principals Action Item
  - 10. Board Policy 2012 Chief Financial Officer Action Item
  - 11. Board Policy 2013 Director of Student Services Action Item
  - 12. Board Policy 4305 Constable Market Analysis Action Item
- C. Recommended Draft Revision of Board Policies for Action
  - 1. Revised Board Policy 6113 Field Trips and Student Travel Second Read

2. Revised Board Policy 6113A Cultural Trips Involving Travel Outside of the United States – <u>Second Read</u>

15. Adjournment <u>Action Item</u>



### MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 20, 2023

| Board Membe                     | ers in Attendance                      |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Mr. Scott Fitzgerald President  | Mr. Victor "Butch" Elzey               |
| Mr. Matt Bucher, Vice President | Mrs. Jennifer Massotti                 |
| Dr. Adam Brownstein             | Mrs. Jean Wylie                        |
| Mrs. Ashlee Connell             | Dr. Bridget Amory, Executive Secretary |

The Regular Meeting of the Milford Board of Education was called to order by President Mr. Fitzgerald at 6:00 PM on Monday evening, November 20, 2023.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. MASSOTTI/SECONDED BY MR. BUCHER** to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for October 16, 2023.

| Roll Call:     | Dr. Brownstein – yes  | Mr. Elzey - yes      |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 6-1            | Mr. Bucher – yes      | Ms. Massotti - yes   |
| Motion Carries | Ms. Connell – abstain | Mrs. Wylie - yes     |
|                |                       | Mr. Fitzgerald - yes |

### ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. WYLIE/SECONDED BY MRS. MASSOTTI** to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:03 PM. **Motion passed unanimously.** 

### **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

**MOTION MADE BY DR. BROWNSTEIN/SECONDED BY MRS. WYLIE** to adjourn Executive Session at 7:30 PM.

### CHANGES TO AGENDA

None

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Calhoun expressed concern with safety and lack of communication with staff.

Ms. Clark expressed concerns with a contract employee and her students' safety at Lulu Ross Elementary School.

Ms. Gillespie expressed concerns with school safety and the uniform policy not enforced at MHS.

Ms. Maloney spoke about the Sussex County Speak Out Against Hate Initiative.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

### **District Strategic Plan Implementation Update**

Dr. Amory presented Portrait of a Buccaneer components: Problem-Solving, Empathy, Communication Skills, Work Ethic, and Team Building

Banneker Elementary School has been named a 2023 Recognition School for Closing the Achievement Gap on behalf of the Delaware Department of Education. The school will receive an \$8,000 subgrant, a certificate and a banner to display.

### Academic Excellence: Dr. Kelly Carvajal Hageman

### Academic Updates

It was shared the district will be conducting an ELA curriculum review this year for reevaluation and possible updates.

### Field Trip Approval

**MOTION MADE BY MR. BUCHER/SECONDED BY MRS. CONNELL** to approve the field trip as presented. **Motion passed unanimously.** 

### Student Matter Update: Dr. Weller

Dr. Weller reviewed safety, discipline and school climate training and goals. Board members expressed the need for increased communication and accountability, a lack of students and staff understanding of the code of conduct, and the dress code not consistently being enforced at the secondary level.

### Building Our Future: Dr. Hale

### **Revenue and Expenditure Report**

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. WYLIE/SECONDED BY DR. BROWNSTEIN** to approve the Revenue and Expenditure Reports as of October 31, 2023. **Motion passed unanimously.** 

### Construction Project Change Order Approval

**MOTION MADE BY MR. BUCHER/SECONDED BY MRS. WYLIE** to approve the Construction Project Change Order. **Motion passed unanimously.** 

### Unit Growth Review

Milford student enrollment growth has been averaging between 2%-4% each year. Approximately 270 students attend choice or charter schools out of district.

### Class Size and 98% Division I Staffing Waiver

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. WYLIE/SECONDED BY MR. BUCHER** to approve the Class Size and 98% Division I Staffing Waiver.

| Roll Call:     | Dr. Brownstein – no | Mr. Elzey - yes      |
|----------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 6-1            | Mr. Bucher – yes    | Ms. Massotti - yes   |
| Motion Carries | Ms. Connell –yes    | Mrs. Wylie - yes     |
|                |                     | Mr. Fitzgerald – yes |

## *Empowering and Investing in our People:* Ms. Manges *Personnel Report*

**MOTION MADE BY MR. BUCHER/SECONDED BY DR. BROWNSTEIN** to accept the Personnel Report as presented during the Executive Session. **Motion passed unanimously.** 

### **BOARD DISCUSSION DSBA UPDATES**

Mr. Bucher reported there was not a legislative meeting since the last board meeting. The next legislative meeting is January 3, 2024.

Dr. Brownstein attended the State School Board Meeting. Discussion was held around statewide behavioral issues, local and statewide solutions.

### **RECOMMENDED DRAFT REVISIONS OF BOARD POLICIES - FIRST READ**

Dr. Amory presented the following revised board policies for first read:

- Revised Board Policy 6113 Field Trips and Student Travel
- Revised Board Policy 6613A Cultural Trips Involving Travel Outside of the United States

### **RECOMMENDED DELETION OF BOARD POLICIES – FIRST READ**

Dr. Amory presented the following board policies for deletion:

- Board Policy 2001 Line and Staff Relations
- Board Policy 2002 Superintendent
- Board Policy 2004 Director of Student Learning for deletion
- Board Policy 2005 Director of Human Resources and School Climate
- Board Policy 2006 Supervisor of Building and Grounds
- Board Policy 2007 Supervisor of Child Nutrition
- Board Policy 2008 Supervisor of Transportation
- Board Policy 2009 Principal
- Board Policy 2010 Assistant Principals
- Board Policy 2012 Chief Financial Officer
- Board Policy 2013 Director of Student Services
- Board Policy 4305 Constable Market Analysis

### ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION MADE BY DR. BROWNSTEIN/SECONDED BY MRS. MASSOTTI** that the Regular Meeting of the Milford Board of Education held on Monday, November 20, 2023, adjourned @ 8:38 pm. **Motion passed unanimously.** 

Bridget Amory, Ed.D., Executive Secretary

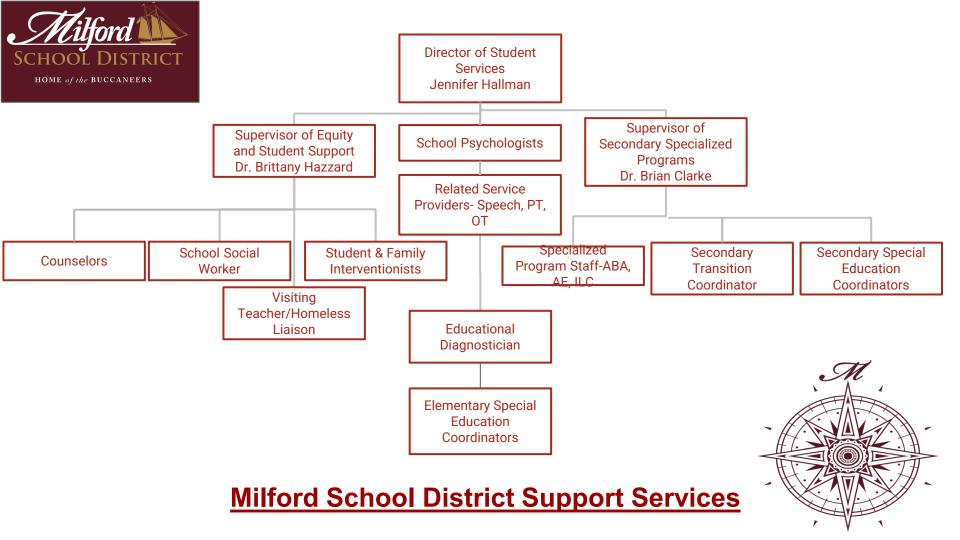
Theresa Blocker, Recording Secretary





# Supporting the Whole Student Strategic Plan Updates

# Jennifer Hallman Director of Student Services December 18, 2023



# Goal 1- Streamline and provide clear communication on the availability of student supports district-wide.

- Working on a communication dashboard for student services
  - Will serve as a hub for all information and resources pertaining to supporting students
    - Special Education
    - ∎ 504s
    - Counseling and Mental Health
    - Family Support Services
- MSD Support Services Team Directory
  - Describes individual roles and services
  - Includes outside providers with MOUs for services in our schools
- District Family Service Interventionists (FSIs) referral to request assistance with student:
  - Attendance
  - Behavior
  - Mental Health Concerns
  - Resources Needed
- Working with the University of Delaware and the Delaware Department of Education to streamline our Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS)
  - Whole-child focused- considering both academic and social/emotional together





## <u>Goal 2</u>- Ensure services are matched with needs (social-emotional health, attendance, and safety in school and in the community).

## Dr. Brittany Hazzard

## Supervisor of Equity and Support Services

## **Social Emotional Health**



### Support Services Team

- 15 School Counselors
- 1 College & Career Counselor
- 3 Student Family Interventionists
- 2 ML Student Family Interventionists
- School Social Worker

McKinney-Vento Liaison/Truancy Officer

Wellness Center, Bayhealth- MHS

Outside Mental Health/Community Agencies

**Delaware Guidance Services** Milestones Consultants **Courageous Hearts People's Place** Center for Child Development **Delaware Psychological Services** First State Community Action Delaware Prevention & Behavioral Health (DPBHS) Collaboration **CFFDE BHC- MCA** State of DE- Family Crisis Therapists

## **Social Emotional Health**



### Services Provided **SEL** Frameworks Student Support Plans High 5 **Mentoring Programs Conscious Discipline** Mental health support referrals Suicide Risk Assessments Homes Visits Social Skill Groups Attendance Holiday Support Transportation Attendance works.org Harry K. Foundation Food Pantries & Backpack Initiatives and programming to address chronic absenteeism programs Clothing Closet, Books, Resources, etc District and building level increased State Service Center Assistance communication regarding attendance Emergency Shelter, Vouchers, Health Home visits Insurance Ongoing data meetings to discuss root-cause and attendance solutions

Goal 3- Maintain current supports with regularly scheduled re-evaluation to adjust based on student and community needs and input.

- Ongoing hiring to ensure that all programs and support services are fully staffed
- Regular meetings with staff/stakeholders
  - Support Services/Mental Health
  - Specialized Programs
  - Special Education
  - Related Service
  - Supervisors
  - Administrators





## <u>Goal 4</u>- Maintain safe, supportive, and orderly learning environments throughout each school.

## Dr. Jessica Weller

## Supervisor of School Climate and Safety

## **Climate and Safety**

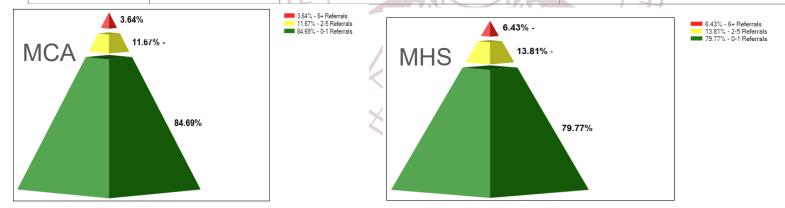
- Strategy 1: Consistent application of Student Code of Conduct across all schools.
- Strategy 2: Routine safety drills in collaboration with designated safety officials.
- Strategy 3: Foster current and future partnerships with local and state police agencies and designated staff to monitor the safety and security of all schools.



## **Discipline** Data



| School     | Referral<br>Count | Top 3 Violations   | Top 3 Consequences  |
|------------|-------------------|--|---|
| Secondary  | 1717              | Dress code - 511<br>Skipping class - 476<br>Tardiness (every 3rd late) - 441   | Detention - 746<br>1 day ISS - 707<br>Reprimand - 226                   |
| Elementary | 368               | Inappropriate Behavior - Careless/Reckless<br>behavior - 75<br>Failure to obey safety process - 27<br>Disruption of educational process - 25 | 30 minute timeout - 61<br>60 minute timeout - 41<br>Verbal warning - 37 |





## Interventions in Place at MHS/MCA

MCA

## SCHOOL DISTRICT

### MHS

- One way traffic in halls
- Hall and bathroom sweeps
- Ehall pass implemented
- ISS online modules
- Behavior support contracts for serious code of conduct violations
- Principal's probation in place for serious code of conduct violations
- Alternative placement for serious code of conduct violations

- Hall and bathroom sweeps
   One-to-One support for students with most referrals
- ISS online modules
- Behavior support contracts for serious code of conduct violations
  Principal's probation in place for serious code of conduct violations
  Alternative placement for serious code of conduct violations





## Parent for Resilience Information Series:

The Milford School District has partnered with DOE and The Skills Connextion to bring an exciting night of learning to empower our families throughout the entire district.

### Goals and Objectives:

- Discussion of school expectations for students
- Increase knowledge of social-emotional learning skills
- Learn strategies that build resilience and encourage student success
- Gain an understanding of MTSS (Multi-Tiered System of Support)

### PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION NIGHI

### Save the Dates:

Wednesday, January 31, 2024 - Lulu Ross

Wednesday, February 28, 2024 - Milford High School

Sessions will include dinner at 5pm with information session beginning at 6pm













# **Milford School District**

## A December to Remember 2023





# Supporting The Whole Student









# Academic Excellence









# **Investing in Our People**



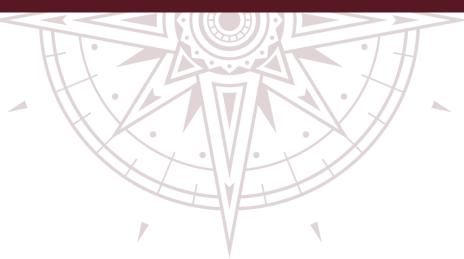








# A Portrait of A Buccaneer







# **Problem Solving**

Milford students will be equipped to find the best possible solutions to simple and complex challenges.







# **Communication Skills**

Milford students will listen and communicate in a clear and effective manner to a range of audiences.







# **Team Building**

Milford students will work collaboratively with diverse groups of people to reach common goals and success.







# Empathy

Milford students will demonstrate compassion as they consider the perspective of others to better the community.







# **Work Ethic**

Milford students will persevere and put forth their best effort to complete tasks understanding that it will often take multiple attempts.



| (Out-of-State to be submitte<br>Morris Banneker   | IILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT         FIELD TRIP APPROVAL FORM         ed to the principal by April 10th for School Board approval for the following school year)         Central Academy       High School         In-State       Out-of-State | Ross 🖌  |
|---|---|---|
| DATE(S) OF TRIP: 4/16/2024<br># of School Days missed: 1                                      | TRIP DESTINATION: National Musuem of African Am. History Washington, DC   | TEACHER(S): 5th grade teachers/Lockwood   |
| NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 135   | CONTENT AREAS: ELA and Social Studies   | grade(s): 5th   |
|   | One)<br>vare Other (specify)<br>e trip): Students in 5th grade are required to research and<br>complete writing pieces based on the Civil Rights<br>Movement.   | Field Trip CostTransportation: $#Z900.00$ Meals: $-0$ Other expenses (explain): $-0$ Funding Used: $PTP$ Donation of #1000.00Individual student expense: $#//$ Total Cost#Z900.00 |
| Nurse Initials: Jacob<br>APPROVAL SEQUENCE (indicated by the proper signatures b<br>Comments: | ward University Hospital, 2041 Georgia Ave. NW, Washing<br>below). Field trips not approved at one level will not advance to the nex<br>IRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: University a final cost summary and detailed itiner                          | kt level (no appeals).  |

| MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT<br>FIELD TRIP APPROVAL FORM<br>(Out-of-State to be submitted to the principal by April 10 <sup>th</sup> for School Board approval for the following school year)<br>Morris Banneker Central Academy High School Mispillion Ross  |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| DATE(S) OF TRIP: 5/21/2024<br># of School Days missed: 1   | TRIP DESTINATION: Perdue Stadium, MD  | TEACHER(S): Davis factowert Matamatus Raind Kraste Wallace, Raymo |  |  |  |  |  |
| NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 135  | CONTENT AREAS: District/ School Approved Trip   | grade(s): 5th   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>Instructional Unit Title: PBIS Activity- District appr</li> <li>Dates of Instructional Unit: From: Sept 2023 To: June</li> <li>Will technology be used in preparation for this trip? (Check of<br/>Internet Virtual Tour Research Video Softw</li> <li>Relationship of trip to instructional objective(s) (purpose of the</li> </ol>  | Field Trip Cost<br>Transportation: #///00.00<br>Meals: - 0 -<br>Other expenses (explain): #ZZ9Z.00<br>Includes Administion + Food Vouche-<br>Funding Used: PTP Donation of #1500.00<br>Individual student expense:<br>@ #/J ea<br>Total Cost<br># 3BGZ.00 |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Closest Medical Facility (with address & phone #): Peninsula Regional Medical Center 100 E Carroll St, Salisbury, MD 21801(410) 546-6400 Nurse Initials: APPROVAL SEQUENCE (indicated by the proper signatures below). Field trips not approved at one level will not advance to the next level (no appeals). Comments: PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE: DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE BAUGHTANA AVANCES IN A SEQUENTIAL ACTIVITY SUCH AS A CONCEST DIRECTOR'S SUGNATURE DIRECTOR'S SUCH AS A CONCEST |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |

# MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT Fiscal Year 2024 Monthly Revenue Report As of November 30, 2023 41.7% of the Fiscal Year completed

| REVENUE SOURCE   | Preliminary<br>FY 2024<br>Budget | Actual<br>to date        | %<br>received      |
|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| STATE FUNDS  |                                  |                          |                    |
| Formula Salaries   | 33,481,865.29                    | 31,352,369.86            | 93.64%             |
| Cafeteria Salaries   | 691,988.00                       | 622,773.00               | 90.00%             |
| Division II, All Other Costs   | 943,588.00                       | 984,321.00               | 104.32%            |
| Division II, All Other Costs - VOC   | 128,887.00                       | 116,210.00               | 90.16%             |
| Division II, Energy  | 838,004.00                       | 862,232.00               | 102.89%            |
| Division III, Equalization   | 5,987,867.00                     | 5,382,231.00             | 89.89%             |
| State Transportation   | 3,710,772.37                     | 4,055,010.98             | 109.28%            |
| Homeless Transportation  | 529,967.00                       | 264,984.00               | 50.00%             |
| Foster Care Transportation   | 114,781.00                       | 92,391.00                | 80.49%             |
| Transportation Supply  | 1,000.00                         | 1,000.00                 | 100.00%            |
| Related Services Cash Option   | 196,990.50                       | 177,291.00               | 90.00%             |
| Drivers' Education   | 19,495.00                        | 23,169.00                | 118.85%            |
| Unique Alternatives  | 598,188.14                       | 309,264.00               | 51.70%             |
| Professional Development   |                                  |                          | 51.7070            |
| Delaware Sustainment Fund  | 743,045.00                       | 734,653.00               | 98.87%             |
| Technology Block Grant   | 109,245.00                       | 98,321.00                | 90.00%             |
| World Language Expansion   | 109,245.00                       | 50,521.00                | 90.00%             |
|  | 1,316,524.00                     | -<br>1,970,924.40        | 0.00%              |
| Education Opportunity Grant  |                                  |                          | 149.71%<br>59.64%  |
| Education Opportunity Grant - Mental Health<br>Student Success Block Grant - Reading | 732,527.00<br>334,648.00         | 436,848.00<br>344,620.00 | 59.64%<br>102.98%  |
| -  | 334,048.00                       | -                        | 102.98%            |
| Filter First - Lead Remediation Funds  | -                                | 100,782.00               |                    |
| Substitute Reimbursement- Paid Parental Leave  | 68,979.47                        | 41,214.00                | 59.75%             |
| School Safety and Security   | 263,950.51                       | 289,967.00               | 109.86%            |
| Minor Capital Improvements   | 417,339.00                       | 417,339.00               | 100.00%            |
| Major Capital Improvements   | -                                | -                        | /                  |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS  | 51,239,651.28                    | 48,677,915.24            | 95.00%             |
| LOCAL FUNDS  |                                  |                          |                    |
| Current Expense (tax rate)   | 9,767,863.00                     | 8,750,947.81             | 89.59%             |
| Current Expense (capitations)  | 200.00                           |                          | 0.00%              |
| Debt Service   | 2,100,000.00                     | 1,913,683.87             | 91.13%             |
| Debt Service - County Impact Fees  | 92,500.00                        | 58,641.93                | 63.40%             |
| Tuition  | 1,800,000.00                     | 1,708,187.13             | 94.90%             |
| Minor Capital Improvements   | 278,226.00                       | 316,762.23               | 113.85%            |
| Interest   | 200,000.00                       | 385,343.55               | 192.67%            |
| Athletics  | 32,500.00                        | 19,364.00                | 59.58%             |
| CSCRP  | 45,000.00                        | 19,397.94                | 43.11%             |
| Indirect Costs   | 75,000.00                        | 1,187.62                 | 1.58%              |
| Cafeteria  | 2,700,000.00                     | 698,824.26               | 25.88%             |
| Social Studies Coalition/Donations   | 107,000.00                       | 55,844.76                | 52.19%             |
| Building Rental  | 1,500.00                         | 1,560.00                 | 104.00%            |
| E-Rate   | -                                | 2,689.20                 |                    |
| Net Choice Billings  | (184,007.37)                     | 6,008.81                 | -3.27%             |
| Net Charter Billings   | (162,529.37)                     | (65,255.54)              | 40.15%             |
| Tuition Billings   | (1,500,000.00)                   | (903,714.04)             | 60.25%             |
| Other Local Revenue  | 35,000.00                        | 10,389.53                | 29.68%             |
| Education Opportunity Match  | -                                | 10,000.00                | 29.0070            |
| Extra Time Local Match   | -                                |                          |                    |
| Reading and Match Specialist Match   | -                                |                          |                    |
|  | -                                |                          |                    |
| Technology Maintenance Match   | -                                |                          |                    |
| Major Capital Improvements TOTAL LOCAL FUNDS   | 15,388,252.26                    | 12,979,863.06            | 84.35%             |
|  | 13,300,232.20                    | 12,373,803.00            | 04.3370            |
| FEDERAL FUNDS  |                                  |                          |                    |
| IDEA Part B  | 1,207,533.00                     | 1,292,973.00             | 107.08%            |
| IDEA - Preschool   | 57,566.00                        | 58,844.00                | 102.22%            |
| Title I  | 1,812,394.00                     | 1,805,919.00             | 99.64%             |
| Title II   | 345,307.00                       | 346,873.00               | 100.45%            |
| Title III English Acquisition  | 85,388.00                        | 108,406.00               | 126.96%            |
| Title IV   | 212,439.00                       | 215,270.00               | 101.33%            |
| Education for the Homeless   | 10,000.00                        | 213,270.00               | 0.00%              |
| Perkins  | 124,470.00                       | 127,837.00               | 0.00%              |
| TOTAL FEDERAL/OTHER FUNDS  | 3,855,097.00                     | <b>3,956,122.00</b>      | 102.71%<br>102.62% |
|  | 5,055,057,00                     | 3,330,122.00             | 102.02%            |
| GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS  | 70,483,000.54                    | 65,613,900.30            | 93.09%             |

#### Milford School District Monthly Report of Expenditures For the month ended November 30, 2023

| Operating Unit    | Budget Line   |          | Amount                   | Enc  | umbered      | Expended            | P.,      | dget Remaining          | %<br>Remaining    |
|-------------------|---|----------|--------------------------|------|--------------|---------------------|----------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| 9180668A          | Benjamin Banneker Elementary School   | \$       | 49,835.50                | EIIC | 5,433.42     | 17,534.14           | \$       | 26,867.94               | 53.91%            |
| 9180670A          | Evelyn I. Morris Early Childhood Center   | \$       | 50,107.50                |      | 2,680.44     | 23,430.43           | \$       | 23,996.63               | 47.89%            |
| 9180672A          | Lulu M. Ross Elementary School  | \$       | 67,796.00                |      | 2,246.15     | 20,040.59           | \$       | 45,509.26               | 67.13%            |
| 9180673A          | Mispillion Elementary School  | \$       | 56,754.50                |      | 2,445.65     | 17,151.77           | \$       | 37,157.08               | 65.47%            |
| 9180675A          | Milford Central Academy   | \$       | 105,485.00               |      | 9,373.59     | 44,751.91           | \$       | 51,359.50               | 48.69%            |
| 9180678A          | Milford Senior High School  | \$       | 149,634.50               |      | 12,856.34    | 46,830.35           | \$       | 89,947.81               | 60.11%            |
| 99900000          | Board Of Ed/District Expenses   | \$       | 9,000.00                 |      | -            | 6,880.99            | \$       | 2,119.01                | 23.54%            |
|                   | School Resource Officer   | \$       | 15,000.00                |      | -            | 10,336.50           | \$       | 4,663.50                | 31.09%            |
| 99900100          | Legal Services, Audit and Insurance Premiums                                    | \$       | 130,000.00               |      | 8,030.00     | 19,488.32           | \$       | 102,481.68              | 78.83%            |
| 99900300          | District Expenditures   | \$       | 50,000.00                |      |              | 10,184.55           | \$       | 39,815.45               | 79.63%            |
|                   | School Safety and Security  | \$       | 263,950.51               |      | -            | 152,500.00          | \$       | 111,450.51              | 42.22%            |
|                   | Public Relations and Communication  | \$       | 40,000.00                |      | 22,632.00    | 8,671.76            | \$       | 8,696.24                | 21.74%            |
|                   | Copy Center (District Wide)   | \$       | 120,000.00               |      | 70,803.60    | 49,785.39           | \$       | (588.99)                | -0.49%            |
| 99910100          | Superintendent  | \$       | 1,500.00                 |      | 408.34       | 291.66              | \$       | 800.00                  | 53.33%            |
| 99920000          | World Language Immersion (State Grant)<br>Student Success Block Grant (Reading) | \$<br>\$ | 10,000.00                |      | -            | 128.65              | \$<br>\$ | 9,871.35<br>275,416.06  | 98.71%<br>82.30%  |
|                   | Opportunity Grant Mental Health   | \$       | 334,648.00<br>732,527.00 |      | -            | 59,231.94<br>364.17 |          | 732,162.83              | 99.95%            |
|                   | Education Opportunity Grant   | \$       | 1,316,524.00             |      | -            | 5,748.96            | \$       | 1,310,775.04            | 99.56%            |
|                   | School Improvement  | \$       | 70,000.00                |      |              | 5,748.50            | \$       | 70,000.00               | 100.00%           |
|                   | Summer School   | \$       | 30,000.00                |      |              | 42,572.91           | \$       | (12,572.91)             | -41.91%           |
|                   | Translators   | \$       | 20,000.00                |      | -            | 54.66               | \$       | 19,945.34               | 99.73%            |
|                   | Extra Time Programs   | \$       | 30,000.00                |      | -            | -                   | \$       | 30,000.00               | 100.00%           |
|                   | Curriculum and Instruction  | \$       | 100,000.00               |      | 66,595.00    | 101,293.28          | \$       | (67,888.28)             | -67.89%           |
| 99920700          | Athletics - High School   | \$       | 170,000.00               |      | 23,715.35    | 66,232.14           | \$       | 80,052.51               | 47.09%            |
|                   | Athletics - Milford Central Academy   | \$       | 30,000.00                |      | 1,000.00     | 17,368.08           | \$       | 11,631.92               | 38.77%            |
| 99920800          | Driver's Education  | \$       | 19,495.00                |      | -            | 4,434.20            | \$       | 15,060.80               | 77.25%            |
| 99930200          | Tuition - Special Services  | \$       | 330,000.00               |      | -            | 171,369.48          | \$       | 158,630.52              | 48.07%            |
|                   | Tuition - Special Services - ILC  | \$       | 275,000.00               |      | 875.91       | 110,712.90          | \$       | 163,411.19              | 59.42%            |
|                   | Unique Alternatives (State Funds)   | \$       | 598,188.14               |      | -            | 170,415.82          | \$       | 427,772.32              | 71.51%            |
| 99930300          | Special Services  | \$       | 57,000.00                |      | 21,916.94    | 24,529.70           | \$       | 10,553.36               | 18.51%            |
|                   | Special Services - State Related Services                                       | \$       | 196,990.50               |      | 19,987.37    | 64,154.33           | \$       | 112,848.80              | 57.29%            |
| 99940100          | Contingencies and One-Time Items  | \$       | 425,000.00               |      | 90,103.62    | 20,627.67           | \$       | 314,268.71              | 73.95%            |
| 99940200          | Division I/Formula Salaries   | \$       | 33,550,844.75            |      | -            | 13,832,314.22       | \$       | 19,718,530.53           | 58.77%            |
| 99940300          | Division II - Vocational  | \$       | 128,887.00               |      | -            | 2,787.36            | \$       | 126,099.64              | 97.84%            |
| 99940400          | Division III/Local Salaries   | \$       | 12,678,750.00            |      | -            | 4,539,751.72        | \$       | 8,138,998.28            | 64.19%            |
|                   | Union agreed Limited Contracts  | \$       | 385,000.00               |      | -            | <br>129,637.93      | \$       | 255,362.07              | 66.33%            |
| 99940500          | Title I   | \$       | 1,812,394.00             |      | 3,218.56     | 79,565.92           | \$       | 1,729,609.52            | 95.43%            |
|                   | Title II  | \$       | 345,307.00               |      | -            | 9,945.63            | \$       | 335,361.37              | 97.12%            |
|                   | Title III   | \$       | 85,388.00                |      | -            | -                   | \$       | 85,388.00               | 100.00%           |
|                   | Title IV  | \$<br>\$ | 212,439.00               |      | -            | -                   | \$       | 212,439.00              | 100.00%           |
|                   | IDEA Part B<br>IDEA Preschool   | •        | 1,207,533.00             |      | -            | -                   | \$       | 1,207,533.00            | 100.00%           |
|                   | Perkins   | \$<br>\$ | 57,566.00                |      | -            | 2,549.45            | \$<br>\$ | 55,016.55               | 95.57%<br>100.00% |
|                   | Homeless  | \$<br>\$ | 124,470.00               |      | -            | -                   | ş<br>Ş   | 124,470.00<br>10,000.00 |                   |
| 99940600          | Insurance Expense   | \$       | 10,000.00<br>127,520.50  |      | -            | - 15,010.00         | \$<br>\$ | 112,510.50              | 100.00%<br>88.23% |
| 99940700          | Social Studies Coalition/Donations  | \$       | 107,000.00               |      |              | 61,758.51           | \$       | 45,241.49               | 42.28%            |
| 99940810          | Technology Equipment & Repair   | \$       | 272,800.00               |      | 5,204.64     | 133,017.37          | \$       | 134,577.99              | 49.33%            |
| 55540810          | Technology Block Grant  | \$       | 109,245.00               |      | -            | 17,813.54           | \$       | 91,431.46               | 83.69%            |
| 99940900          | Tuition Reimbursement - Administration  | \$       | 15,000.00                |      |              | <br>17,013.54       | \$       | 15,000.00               | 100.00%           |
| 55546566          | Tuition Reimbursement   | \$       | 70,000.00                |      |              | _                   | \$       | 70,000.00               | 100.00%           |
| 99950000          | Personnel/Human Resources   | \$       | 10,000.00                |      | - 349.56     | 935.97              | \$       | 8,714.47                | 87.14%            |
| 99960000          | Child Nutrition Operations  | \$       | 2,700,000.00             |      | 383,720.16   | 1,125,124.71        |          | 1,191,155.13            | 44.12%            |
|                   | Cafeteria Salaries  | \$       | 691,988.00               |      | -            | 276,878.54          | \$       | 415,109.46              | 59.99%            |
| 99960100          | Facilities Maintenance  | \$       | 90,000.00                |      | 453.20       | 21,011.93           | \$       | 68,534.87               | 76.15%            |
| -                 | Custodial Services and Supplies   | \$       | 90,000.00                |      | -            | 73,522.95           | \$       | 16,477.05               | 18.31%            |
| 99960200          | Operations and Utilities  | \$       | 361,500.00               |      | 61,436.00    | 147,891.02          |          | 152,172.98              | 42.09%            |
| -                 | Energy Division II  | \$       | 838,004.00               |      | 305,207.49   | 26,355.75           | \$       | 506,440.76              | 60.43%            |
| 99960300          | State Transportation  | \$       | 3,710,772.37             |      | 251,102.80   | 1,213,072.50        | \$       | 2,246,597.07            | 60.54%            |
|                   | State Homeless Transportation   | \$       | 529,967.00               |      | -            | 211,750.20          | \$       | 318,216.80              | 60.04%            |
|                   | State Foster Transportation   | \$       | 114,781.00               |      | -            | 33,452.00           | \$       | 81,329.00               | 70.86%            |
|                   | Transportation Supplies   | \$       | 1,000.00                 |      | -            | <br>                | \$       | 1,000.00                | 100.00%           |
| 99960400          | Transportation Internal Budget (Local)  | \$       | 23,000.00                |      | 472.70       | <br>4,383.95        | \$       | 18,143.35               | 78.88%            |
|                   | Local Activities Transportation   | \$       | 3,000.00                 |      | -            | -                   | \$       | 3,000.00                | 100.00%           |
|                   | Local Homeless Transportation Match   | \$       | 58,885.22                |      | -            | 33,736.50           | \$       | 25,148.72               | 42.71%            |
|                   | Local Transportation Match  | \$       | 411,309.37               |      | 32,344.77    | <br>137,927.91      | \$       | 241,036.69              | 58.60%            |
| Total Operating B | Budget  | \$       | 66,788,787.36            | \$   | 1,404,613.60 | \$<br>23,417,312.83 | \$       | 41,966,860.93           | 62.84%            |
| 99970000          | Local Debt Service  | \$       | 2,162,746.41             |      | -            | 505,264.28          | \$       | 1,657,482.13            | 76.64%            |
| 99970200          | Minor Capital Improvements  | \$       | 695,565.00               |      | -            | <br>-               | \$       | 695,565.00              | 100.00%           |
| Total Capital Bud | get   | \$       | 2,858,311.41             | \$   | -            | \$<br>505,264.28    | \$       | 2,353,047.13            | 82.32%            |
|                   |   |          |                          |      |              |                     |          |                         |                   |

Note: Budgets are based on the preliminary budget allocations as voted by the MSD Board of Education Items highlighted in blue are restricted expenditures. Funds must be used for specific purpose per funding guidelines.

### POLICY

2001

## LINE AND STAFF RELATIONS

All personnel employed by the Board shall be responsible to the Superintendent through their immediate administrator/supervisor.

All personnel shall refer matters requiring administrative action to the administrator immediately in charge of the area. Administrators shall refer such matters to the next higher level when necessary. The Superintendent shall be responsible for the development and implementation of the line and staff organization chart.

All personnel shall have the right to appeal through approved grievance procedures as defined by Board policy, contract, or by state or federal law.

All administrative/supervisory personnel shall keep the person they are immediately responsible to informed of their activities.

ADOPTED: 7/19/82 REVISED: 7/13/98; 7/12/99 DELETED: 12/18/23

POLICY

2002

## **SUPERINTENDENT**

The Superintendent of Schools is the executive officer and Secretary of the Board of Education and is responsible to the Board for the organization, operation and administration of the entire school program. This encompasses all matters over which the Board of Education has authority. The extent of the Superintendent's responsibility requires that (s)he delegate to an administrative staff responsibility for implementing and supervising various programs and activities.

ADOPTED: 8/17/70; 1/12/16; 7/19/82 DELETED: 12/18/23

#### POLICY

2004

## **DIRECTOR OF STUDENT LEARNING**

The Director of Student Learning is responsible for the development, coordination and supervision of the PreK-12 curricular, instructional and assessment programs. The Director also provides leadership for the development and coordination of the district's professional development, family involvement and English Learner programs. The Director of Student Learning works collaboratively with the Superintendent, as well as the entire Milford School District team, to provide the support and leadership necessary for the success of Milford School District's schools and best serving the district's students, families, staff and community.

ADOPTED: 8/17/70; 1/12/76; 7/21/80; 7/19/82; 11/19/84; 8/28/89; 10/26/92 REVISED: 5/3/10; 7/13/15; 8/21/17 DELETED: 12/18/23

POLICY

2005

# DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES & SCHOOL CLIMATE

The Director of Human Resources & School Climate is responsible for the administration, supervision and coordination of personnel policies and programs for the district. The Director provides leadership in the recruitment, hiring, development and retention of high quality staff. The Director shall interact with students, staff and families to provide leadership in the development, implementation and coordination of the district's PreK-12 student code of conduct and school safety plans. The Director of Human Resources & School Climate works collaboratively with the Superintendent, as well as the entire Milford School District team, to provide the support and leadership necessary for the success of Milford School District's schools and best serving the district's students, families, staff and community.

ADOPTED: 8/18/80; 7/19/82; 12/15/86; 10/23/89; 10/26/92; REVISED: 5/3/10; 7/13/15; 8/21/17 DELETED: 12/18/23

#### POLICY

2006

#### SUPERVISOR OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

The Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds is responsible for the coordination and supervision of all maintenance and custodial services on all property owned by the Board of Education. (S)He shall be concerned with the areas of health, safety, public relations, housekeeping, research, preventative maintenance, on-the-job training, scheduling, staffing and recordkeeping related to the job. In all instances, (s)he reports directly to the Superintendent.

ADOPTED: 8/17/70; 1/12/76; 7/19/82; 11/19/84; 12/10/12 DELETED: 12/18/23

#### POLICY

2007

### SUPERVISOR OF CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES

The Supervisor of Child Nutrition Services is responsible for the administration, supervision and coordination of all cafeteria services. (S)He shall be concerned with the areas of: diet, health, safety, public relations, housekeeping, research, on-the-job training, scheduling, staffing and recordkeeping related to the job. In all instances, (s)he reports directly to the Chief Financial Officer.

ADOPTED: 8/17/70 REVISED: 1/12/76; 7/19/82; 11/19/84; 9/22/14 DELETED: 12/18/23

#### POLICY

2008

#### SUPERVISOR OF TRANSPORTATION

The Supervisor of Transportation is responsible for the administration, supervision, and coordination of all bus transportation provided by the school district. The Supervisor of Transportation shall be concerned with the areas of: safety, schedules, maintenance, budget, public relations, research, on-the-job training and staffing. The Supervisor of Transportation reports directly to the Superintendent.

ADOPTED: 8/17/70; 1/12/76; 7/19/82; 11/19/84; 10/23/89; REVISED: 11/28/11; 9/22/14 DELETED: 12/18/23

POLICY

2009

# PRINCIPAL

The Principal is responsible for administering programs of instruction, pupil personnel, organization, finance, transportation, food service, staff personnel, building and grounds and community-school relations. In all instances, (s)he reports directly to the Superintendent of Schools.

ADOPTED: 8/17/70; 1/12/76; 7/21/80 DELETED: 12/18/23

POLICY

2010

# ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

The Assistant Principals are responsible for administering the programs designated by their Principal. In all instances, they report directly to the Principal.

ADOPTED: 8/17/70; 1/12/76; 7/21/80; 7/19/82; 10/23/89 DELETED: 12/18/23 POLICY

2012

# **CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

The Chief Financial Officer (CFO) is responsible for the business and financial management of the school district. The CFO provides leadership in the development, implementation and coordination of budget and budget control, long range financial planning, payroll, benefit management, purchasing, bid laws and tax laws. The CFO serves as FOIA Coordinator for the district and oversees public information processes. The CFO provides oversight of the Child Nutrition Program. The Chief Financial Officer works collaboratively with the Superintendent, as well as the entire Milford School District team, to provide the support and leadership necessary for the success of Milford School District's schools and best serving the district's students, families, staff and community.

ADOPTED: 10/23/89 REVISED: 5/3/10; 8/21/17 DELETED: 12/18/23

# POLICY

2013

#### DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES

The Director of Student Services is responsible for the development, coordination and supervision of the district's PreK to age 21 special education programs. The Director oversees special education related services, compliance monitoring and needs based funding processes. The Director also provides leadership in the coordination of the district's programs supporting student needs including 504, homeless, school nurse and school counseling services. The Director of Student Services works collaboratively with the Superintendent, as well as the entire Milford School District team, to provide the support and leadership necessary for the success of Milford School District's schools and best serving the district's students, families, staff and community.

ADOPTED: 5/21/12; 8/21/17 DELETED: 12/18/23

#### **POLICY 4305**

### **CONSTABLE MARKET ANALYSIS**

To maintain a fiscally responsible constable compensation scale that is competitive with select districts in Kent and Sussex Counties, the district will evaluate the constable pay structure annually.

The Chief Financial Officer shall establish a market value for the constable position by averaging salary data from select comparable and/or neighboring districts in Kent and Sussex Counties where applicable. The market-range shall be evaluated and adjusted accordingly. If upon evaluation for adjustment, the market value decreases for the position, no adjustment shall be made.

ADOPTED: 6/26/23 DELETED: 12/18/23

### POLICY

6113

### FIELD TRIPS AND STUDENT TRAVEL

#### 1. CRITERIA

- a. A field trip must be directly related to specific State Standards/Performance Indicators or Milford Instructional objectives where no State Standards exist. As such, field trips of this type should be required as an integral part of the instructional program. The school is responsible to communicate this to parents and be assertive in removing financial barriers. In addition, a field trip may be a part of or extension of an extra-curricular activity or athletic team and as such will meet the quality standards of the district, sanctioning body, or conference.
- b. A field trip should represent a high-quality learning experience that cannot be obtained by other instructional means in the school building.
- c. A field trip must be an integral part of an instructional unit in progress at the time of the trip. A field trip that is well integrated into an instructional unit in progress will have appropriate activities both before and after the trip to prepare students for the experience and process the learning after. The trip should be well structured to assure that students focus on the particular aspects of the trip that produce the desired learning results. For example, students need assistance and structure to obtain the desired results from visiting a museum such as the Franklin Institute.
- d. Field trips should not be concentrated in the spring or fall but spread throughout the school year. There should be specific instructional reasons why there would be more than one field trip in a month, or more than two or three in a school year.
- e. Participation in strictly commercial projects or activities is prohibited.
- f. Performances involving only entertainment purposes are not permitted. Cultural or artistic performances must be related to State Standards in the Fine and Performing Arts.
- g. School day trips shall be scheduled for instructional reasons only. Motivational or reward field trips should be scheduled outside the school day unless there is a compelling reason to schedule them during the school day. The instructional impact on students who are not going on the field trip must be considered with great weight in this decision. Quality instructional activities must be in place for students who do not qualify and for students at other grade levels who are not a part of the reward or motivational program.
- h. Field trips may require no more than four hours of travel for a one-day trip (in addition to the ride to and from the school). Washington, DC, Baltimore, and Philadelphia are all considered to be within this limit.

#### 2. APPROVAL

All field trips of any kind are under the authority and direction of the Milford School District. The principals are responsible for the appropriate plans including safety, efficiency, and economy.

- a. Teacher(s) shall submit the district field trip form to their principal for approval at least a month before the date.
- b. If the trip is over 100 miles, out of state or over night, it must be submitted for School Board approval at least three (3) months prior to the trip.
- c. A detailed itinerary shall be submitted to the principal or School Board with the field trip approval form.

- d. Board or principal approval is required prior to making any reservations, collecting any money, or discussing the trip with students.
- e. After principal approval; document will be submitted to building nurse to document the closest medical facility and initial.
- f. No money is to be paid by students or parents directly to a vendor. All money is to be deposited to the Student Activity Fund. Bills are to be paid from the Activities Fund or other district accounts.
- g The principal is responsible for quality control of field trips. Each principal shall establish detailed building procedures for field trip approval. The procedures shall be located in the faculty handbook.
- h. School committees should meet annually to sequence and align field trips with the curriculum.
- i. All transportation contracts are to be arranged by the principal through the district Transportation Department.
- j. Field trips are not permitted if it will disrupt state student testing.

### 3. PARENT PERMISSION

Parent permission is required prior to the field trip, using the district approved form. (Attachment B)

#### 4. SUPERVISION

- a. The determination of an acceptable ratio of chaperones for any given activity is the responsibility of the principal as part of his/her approval of the activity. Factors to be considered include:
  - age of the children involved
  - type of activity
  - distance

The younger the child, the more chaperones needed.

- b. Students are to be under planned supervision at all times.
- c. A description of duties and expectations shall be given to each chaperone. The teacher will direct students to obey the chaperones. The duties of a chaperone are:
  - Keeping the group together and monitoring student behavior. Directing students to act appropriately regarding their manners.
  - Reporting discipline infractions to the teacher promptly.
  - Supervising students to assure their safety and welfare.
  - Directing students to the areas for observation or participation.
  - Assuring that students adhere to time schedules.
- d. The district discipline code is in effect during all school sponsored activities including all field trips. Encouraging students to "dress up" for field trips will positively influence their behavior.

#### 5. FIELD TRIPS OVER 100 MILES, OUT OF STATE OR OVERNIGHT

- a. Field trips are not permitted if it will disrupt student testing.
- b. Field trip approval forms shall be submitted to the Board of Education for approval at least three (3) months prior to the field trip.
- c. A detailed itinerary shall be submitted to the Board with the field trip approval form.

- d. Field trip must be related to a specific instructional objective(s), focusing on an instructional unit in progress.
- e. Field trips that extend more than one school day should be scheduled on non-school days (i.e., weekends, holidays, etc.).
- f. Field trips must be available for all qualified students. Equity concerns may mean providing assistance to students who cannot afford the trip.
- g. Instructional programs and student organizations such as DECA, FFA, Competition Cheerleaders or approved competitive activities which require regional or national conferences shall be approved by the School Board. As students advance in competitions or conferences, the advisor shall submit the field trip request to the principal along with students' state scores, attendance data, discipline records and current grades. The principal shall decide whether it is appropriate, given this data, to request Superintendent's approval. If the principal chooses to forward the request, the Superintendent will make the final decision regarding the approval for the student(s) in question. It is important to note that the advisor is expected to plan productive lessons for his/her absence to balance the needs of the numerous students attending school with the few students attending the trip for the competition or conference. Advisors may not attend these conferences or competitions unless he/she has students attending.
- h. Trips that remove a teacher and a few students from the school for more than a day or two are of great concern. Students going on the trip shall receive in writing all of their makeup work from all of their teachers prior to the trip. They shall be given 1.5 times as many days as the trip to make up the work. Arrangements must be made for a quality instructional experience for the students who remain, or the trip should not be approved. A certified or well-qualified substitute teacher shall be scheduled and meet with the teacher to review detailed, written unit plans for the time of coverage. These concerns are eliminated when the extended trip is taken when school is not in session.
- i. Band Trips: The educational purposes of all band trips include the application of performing arts skills to a different venue, to receive adjudication, the opportunity to compete with other ensembles and to travel to another area as a cultural opportunity.
  - The Band Director is responsible for planning and recommending all band trips for approval by the principal. In developing his/her recommendations, he/she shall consider the input of the Band Boosters.
  - The destinations of out of state or overnight trips must be submitted by the band director and principal to the School Board for approval in July of each year to assure time for planning and fund raising.
  - Band students shall be permitted to miss 3 instructional days every 2 years for competition band trips but no more than 2 instructional days in any given school year without written permission from the Board. The location of competitions shall not be regulated under this policy providing the destination is not outside of the continental United States. The band director must ensure that student participation is adequate to meet competitive standards. Trips are to be carefully planned to ensure that adequate financing is available such that all interested band members may fully participate. Safety considerations for students are a primary concern and must be appropriately addressed. A two-year plan shall be submitted by the Band Director to the Milford Board of Education for approval in August of each school year outlining safety considerations, financing, and travel arrangements/schedules for upcoming band competitions and parades. The Board reserves the right to cancel any student trips at any time should national security concerns warrant such action.

- j. Foreign Travel Trips: Extended trips for foreign language and other instructional areas are intended to apply skills in the context of a cultural experience. The Milford Board of Education does not organize, sponsor, or accept liability for student travel outside of the United States.
  - The teacher is responsible for planning and recommending extended trips to the principal, who is the first level of approval for this process.
  - The destinations and general arrangements must be submitted by the teacher and principal to the School Board for approval in July of each school year to assure time for planning and fund raising.
  - In the interest of the expense of this type of educational experience and conserving instructional time, extended trips should limit the cost and time lost from school. As such, the trips shall incorporate weekends and holidays so that the trip will not loose more than one day of instruction for the students involved.
  - The teacher must plan thoroughly for the lessons of the students who will not be attending the trip, so that their instruction will be impacted as little as possible.
  - Parents and students are responsible for travel arrangements and expenses and are encouraged to fully investigate the credentials of the company or organization they are utilizing for foreign travel.
  - The liability waiver statement, Policy 6113A, must be completed and submitted to the Principal by the parent/guardian prior to any financial commitments being incurred.
- k. For all Out-of-State trips, the travel protocol documentation and notification will be required. The Superintendent or his/her designee will notify the Delaware Department of Education of the following group travel information:
  - 1. Name of group traveling;
  - 2. Name of person in charge and other chaperones (including their home phone numbers;
  - 3. Destination, including hotel arrangements, name of hotels, including phone numbers;
  - 4. Time and date of departure and return;
  - 5. Mode of travel, including flight numbers and names of airlines, names of bus companies, rentals. Be sure to include all connecting flights, buses, trains;
  - 6. Travel itinerary (planned stops, housing plans at each stop);
  - 7. Make arrangements for student and chaperones to be able to access funds in case they are stranded. Chaperones should know what to do to access funds even if they cannot reach someone at the District Office or at the home school;
  - 8. If hosting a group of students from another state or country, please inform DDOE;
  - 9. Permission forms are mandatory. Complete information for all students should be obtained and copies provided for the chaperones, the school, and the district office.
  - 10. If possible, send a laptop computer with a modem, with one of the chaperones. Be sure the chaperone has several e-mail addresses available so that it can be provided to emergency officials who may need to contact the chaperones or the home school.

#### I. Regulations:

- This process must be managed entirely by the principal and may not be delegated to anyone other than an assistant principal. The principal must sign each form.
- A building administrator must meet with each person requesting one or more field trips to review the accuracy and completeness of the information listed on the proper form.
- Trips not submitted on the proper form will not be advanced through the three levels for approval.
- Lack of awareness by the staff member involved is not a reason for which this process will be modified. It is the responsibility of the principal to make the staff aware and guide the process in a timely and accurate fashion.
- All trips that can reasonably be known and planned for the next school year must meet the timeline below to be approved. The timeline anticipates the busyness that occurs at the end of the school year by starting this process in April.
- Trips that are not submitted in a timely fashion following all of the guidelines explained in this document will not be approved.
- The director will meet with the building administrator to review each submitted trip that the principal intends to approve and advance to the next level.
- Trips not approved at one level will not be advanced to the next level until the concerns blocking advancement are resolved. If they are not resolved, they will not be approved.
- There is no appeal to this process.
- All provisions of School Board Policy 6113 must be met, with particular attention to Section 5 Field Trips Over 100 Miles, Out of State or Over Night (which is available online at the Milford School District website. See Section 5 provided below.)
- m. Process and Timeline for processing out of state and overnight field trip approval.
  - 1. Teacher and group requests must be submitted on the proper form by April 10 to be considered for the following school year.
  - 2. By May 1, the principal or assistant principal must meet with each teacher submitting one or more trips for approval to review the required information, ask questions, make a decision regarding approval of the trip, and advancement to the next level of the process. All anticipated questions, including a projected itinerary, must be answered at this level of the process.
  - 3. The completed forms must be forwarded to the Director of Teaching and Learning district administration, who will meet by May 15 with each principal to review the submissions for appropriateness, completeness, and accuracy. At this point, corrections and adjustments may be made to enable trip requests to move forward.
  - 4. Those trips approved by the principals and the director district administration will be advanced to the School Board for their review by June 10. Issues and questions by individual Board members that can be resolved in time for the processing of the June agenda for the regular Board meeting will be advanced for approval. Those trip submissions that still have unresolved issues at that time will not be approved at the discretion of the principal and director district administration. Submissions that have not followed the process in a timely fashion will not be forwarded to the Board and may jeopardize eventual approval.

#### 6. SUBSTITUTES FOR FIELD TRIPS

For field trips that require the hiring of a substitute for a teacher, the group attending the field trip is responsible for funding a Class A Substitute for the period that the teacher will be gone.

ADOPTED: 5/20/96

AMENDED: 3/27/00; 6/23/03; 8/25/03; 5/23/05; 8/22/05/ 12/18/06; 6/25/07; 8/25/08; 11/28/11; 12/19/16; 12/18/23

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

FIELD TRIP APPROVAL FORM

(Out-of-state to be submitted to the principal by April 10 for School Board approval for the following school year)

| SCHOOL: CLASS/GRADE:   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Check one: OUT-OF-STATE OR OVERNIGHT: IN-STATE:  |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DATE(S) OF TRIP:<br># of School days missed:   | TRIP DESTINATION:   | TEACHER(S):   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NUMBER OF STUDENTS:  | CONTENT AREA(S):  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| INSTRUCTIONAL UNIT. TITLE.   |   | DATES UNIT WILL BE PRESENTED:   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   | From: To:   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| State Standards/Performance Indicators:  |   | COST(S):<br>Transportation:<br>Meals:<br>Other expenses:<br>Total cost per pupil: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   | Total cost:   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Closest Medical Facility (with add<br>Nurse Initials:<br>How will technology be used in preparation for th<br>Internet Virtual Tour Research Video | s trip? (Circle one)  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RELATIONSHIP OF TRIP TO THE STATE STANDA   | RD/PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (purpose of the trip):  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| APPROVAL SEQUENCE (indicated by the pr   | oper signatures below):   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Comments:<br>Field trips not approved at one level will not advanc   | e to the next level (no appeals).   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE:<br>For all out-of-state or overnight field trips, excep<br>submitted 30 days before the trip.                               | <b>DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b><br>t where a group of students advances in a sequential activity | SUPT'S SIGNATURE:   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12/19/16   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

#### MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

\_\_\_\_\_SCHOOL FIELD TRIP

#### SUMMARY FORM

| ORGANIZATION | FIELD TRIP | MONTH during which the trip takes place |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
|--------------|------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|
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#### POLICY

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### CULTURAL TRIPS INVOLVING TRAVEL OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES

- 1. Employees of the Milford School District who intend to offer or promote out of country travel involving Milford School District students must inform the Superintendent in writing of such intent prior to information being shared with students or parents concerning the foreign travel.
- 2. All such travel must not conflict with student instructional time and must only be scheduled during dates when school is not in session for students.
- 3. District employees shall not offer or promote travel opportunities to countries listed under the US Current Travel Warnings on the US Department of State web site.
- 4. While the Milford School District acknowledges the cultural and educational value of international travel, the district does not sponsor, provide oversight, or accept any liability for such travel arranged through its employees. The District requires sponsors of such trips to include the following disclaimer on all written literature to parents and students and they must also obtain a written waiver of liability form signed by traveling students and their parents prior to accepting funds or deposits for such travel. These waiver forms are to be hand delivered to the school principal for recording and filing.
- 5. Parents and students are responsible for travel arrangements and expenses and are encouraged to fully investigate the credentials of the company or organization they are utilizing for foreign travel.

#### **Disclaimer for written materials:**

The Milford School District ("the District") does not sponsor or provide oversight for this trip. Neither the District, nor the Board of Education, have reviewed the travel plans for the purpose of making a judgment as to the risks associated with the travel, or the level of supervision which may be provided by chaperones. Employees of the District accompanying students are doing so in their personal and individual capacities, as opposed to their capacity as employees of the District.

#### Liability waiver statement:

I understand and agree that this trip is neither sponsored by the Milford School District ("the District"), nor the Milford Board of Education ("the Board"). Neither the District, nor the Board, have reviewed the plans for the trip for the purpose of making any judgment as to the risks associated with the travel, or the adequacy of the supervision provided by chaperones. I also understand that District employees organizing and participating in the trip are acting in their personal and individual capacity, as opposed to their capacity as employees of the District. For the reasons set forth in this statement, I agree that the District and the Board have no liability for any claim arising out of the trip, and I waive any right I may have to assert such a claim against the District or the Board.

Date

Parent/Guardian

ADOPTED: 3/27/06 REVISED: 12/18/23