



West Plains School District Board Update

October 15th, 2019

Academic Update –

PLTW Showcase

On October 23, 2019, the West Plains School District will host a state Project Lead the Way (PLTW) showcase. Teachers and administrators from around the area/state are invited to attend. The showcase will begin with a breakfast and an introductory session by the Missouri PLTW Director at 7:30 AM, October 23, 2019 in the West Plains Elementary Library. The tour will include all components of PLTW, including LAUNCH (PK-5), GATEWAY (6-8), and biomedical, engineering, and computer science. The showcase will conclude in West Plains High School Library with a follow-up session on the topics of implementation, funding, and support.

MSBA Fall Conference Recap

The board of education attended the Missouri School Board Association conference this year on September 26th – September 29th. The conference was held in cooperation with the Missouri Association of School Administrators and focused on engaging, learning, and connecting.

Capital Improvements Update

During the month of November, CTS will begin work on the window project in the high school gym and finishing up projects across the district.

MSBA Policies – 1st Read

MSBA has provided the district with policy recommendations that align to legislative changes. The board will review the policy recommendations and approve at the November board meeting.

Update on Centralized Enrollment

For the 2019-2020 school year, the district moved toward improving the enrollment process for families by creating centralized enrollment. The process allows for services to be immediately offered for families with students in foster care, experiencing homelessness, support for families with students requiring Special Education services, and to ensure all legal requirements are followed under state and federal guidelines. The process also provides consistency for parents and guardians, providing proof of residency and to ensure all legal paperwork is completed during the enrollment process. We will continue to develop this process as we plan for summer school and enrollment of the incoming freshman and new students for the 2020-2021 school year.

Hires:

Mike Kenslow – South Fork Elementary P.E. Teacher
Nathan Cooper – Special Education Paraprofessional
Nichole Smith – Custodian
Melissa Collins – Bus Driver

Transfers-

Caty Holmes – Title 1 paraprofessional to Speech Language Pathology Assistant (2020-2021 school year)
Brooke Conway - Special Education paraprofessional to Speech Language Pathology Assistant (2020-2021 school year)

Resignations-

Christy Ingalsbe – South Fork Paraprofessional (Retirement)
Mozella Jett – SCCC Culinary Arts (Retirement)
Dylan Chronister – High School Social Studies

The next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13th at 1:30 p.m.
School board meetings are held monthly on the third Tuesday of each month at the West Plains High School, unless otherwise posted.