

West Plains School District Board Update August 17, 2021

Academic Update

Dr. Greg Carter and Tiffany Young gave the board an update on teaching and learning at the elementary and secondary levels. Dr. Carter spoke about core phonics programs and curriculum added to the website for parents and students. Mrs. Young updated the board on the Ozarks Learning Summit held on campus last week and the new teacher orientation. Over 80 teachers from around the area attended the summit, with West Plains teachers presenting. Twenty-seven new teachers attended the new teacher orientation last week.

HVAC Project Presentation - CTS

The board approved a bid from CTS for HVAC upgrades across the district.

ESSER III Update

Upon approval by DESE, the district is required to allocate 20% of the funds to address learning loss. The majority of the remainder of the funds will be spent on HVAC throughout the district. The application is due August 23, 2021.

<u>Local Compliance Plan for Special Education</u>

The Local Compliance Plan is a document that the state develops and the district adopts annually. Districts must adopt a Local Compliance Plan for Special Education, which addresses the state compliance plan. The Local Compliance Plan was approved at the board meeting.

<u>Title IX Coordinator Designation</u>

Each year, school districts are required to designate a school official to serve as the Title IX Coordinator. The board approved Wesley Davis to serve in this role.

School Board Vacancy

The board of education will discuss plans for the school board vacancy at the September board meeting.

Tax Rate Hearing Date, Monday, August 30, 2021

A hearing to calculate the tax rate ceiling for the 2021-2022 school year has been set for Monday, August 30 at 5:00 p.m.

New Hires

Jesse Latimer - Paraprofessional Elizabeth Rodriquez - Paraprofessional Marsha Hayes - Substitute Nurse Bobby Gray - Custodian (WPHS)

Transfers

None

<u>Resignations</u>

Britny Dickman - Paraprofessional (WPHS) Steven Evans - Custodian (WPHS) Brian Johnston - Maintenance (Retirement)

The next board meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2021, at the West Plains High School Library. School board meetings are held monthly on the third Tuesday of each month, unless otherwise posted.