

**Lansingburgh Central School District
Minutes of the
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, January 24, 2022
Turnpike Elementary School - Cafeteria**

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Michael Cusack at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board of Education Members, Michael Cusack, Andrea Fairhurst, Jillian Manupella, Tina Rysedorph, Jason Shover, James Spear, and Jeffrey White were present. Talia Pallozzi and Daniella Richards were absent from the meeting

ROLL CALL

Others present include Angela Mauriello (on behalf of the LTA), Bob Schongar, Matthew Van Dervoort, Carrie Phelan, Katie Stalker, Linda Klime, Rebecca McGrouty, Dr. Antonio Abitabile and Christina Williams. There were no others present.

Mr. Cusack read the District's Mission Statement:

MISSION

Our mission at the Lansingburgh Central School District is to create for all students a productive, challenging and safe educational environment. Our students will acquire civic values and learning skills and strategies through a dynamic partnership between the schools and community. These experiences will inspire a lifetime of learning and self-sufficiency.

Motion by Mr. White:

**RESO #1-01/24/2022
Approve Meeting
Agenda**

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the meeting agenda for January 24, 2022.

Second: Mr. Shover

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Mr. Shover asked why we are hiring a new isolation room nurse for Turnpike Elementary School. The Superintendent explained that the former isolation nurse was one who we contracted from a nursing service. We are hiring our own isolation nurse using Cares Act funds. Jenna Sherman remains as our COVID Coordinator.

**Consent Agenda
Discussion**

Mr. Shover stated the Audit Committee had a good meeting tonight. The list of the uncollected portion of school taxes was sent to the County for collection. The Cares Act I funding is nearly all spent. The Cares Act II funding is about 50% spent.

Audit Committee Update

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion by Mr. Shover:

**RESO #2-01/24/2022
Approve Financial Reports**

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the Treasurer’s Report, Budget Transfers and Monthly Financial Report submitted by the Audit Committee.

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #3-01/24/2022
Approve Minutes**

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 20, 2021.

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTIONAL

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #4-01/24/2022
Appoint Science Teacher – Audra Colliton**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby revises the appointment of Audra Colliton to a probationary teaching position at Knickerbacker Middle School in the tenure area of Science, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service	–November 22, 2021
Expiration of Probationary Appointment	– November 21, 2025
Certification Status	– Chemistry 7-12, Initial (pending)
Salary – Step 1	\$44,227
33 Grad Credits	<u>1,375</u>
	\$45,602

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESO #5-01/24/2022
Appoint Physical
Education Teacher -
Christopher Landry

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby revises the appointment of Christopher Landry to a probationary teaching position at Turnpike Elementary School in the tenure area of Physical Education, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service –	December 23, 2021
Expiration of Probationary Appointment –	December 22, 2025
Certification Status –	Physical Education, Initial
Salary – Step 2	\$44,734
30 Grad Credits	<u>1,250</u>
	\$45,984

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESO #6-01/24/2022
Appoint Special
Education Teacher –
Brian Kerwin

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Brian Kerwin to a probationary teaching position at Rensselaer Park Elementary School in the tenure area of Special Education, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service –	January 24, 2022
Expiration of Probationary Appointment –	January 23, 2026
Certification Status –	SWD Grades 1-6, Initial
Salary – Step 9	\$48,287
Masters	450
48 Grad Credits	<u>2,000</u>
	\$50,737

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESO #7-01/24/2022
Appoint Long-Term
Substitute Teacher –
Jessica Cosgrave

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Jessica Cosgrave as a Long-Term Substitute Teacher at Turnpike Elementary School to fill multiple maternity leaves, pending clearance by the New York State and

the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – February 1, 2022
Expiration of Service – June 30, 2022
Certification Status – Childhood Education 1-6, Initial (Pending)
Daily Rate 1/200th Step 1

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Kristy Jarosz as a Long-Term Substitute Teacher at Knickerbacker Middle School to fill the position of Danielle French, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – January 18, 2022
Expiration of Service – June 30, 2022
Certification Status – Biology 7-12, Professional
Earth Science 7-12, Professional
Daily Rate 1/200th Step 1

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Matthew Holden to a probationary position at Lansingburgh High School in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – January 3, 2022
Expiration of Probationary Appointment – January 2, 2026
Certification Status – English Language Arts 7-12, Initial
Salary – Step 9 - \$22.67 per hour
36 Graduate Credits - \$600

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

RESO #8-01/24/2022
Appoint Long-Term
Substitute Teacher –
Kristy Jarosz

RESO #9-01/24/2022
Appoint Teaching
Assistant – Matthew
Holden

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #13-01/24/2022
Appoint Spring
Coaches**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints the following 2022 spring coaches with stipends in accordance with the LTA contract:

Reappointments:

- Varsity Baseball – Matt Cater
- Varsity Lacrosse – Jereme Wilson
- Head Varsity Boys Track – James Gordon
- Head Varsity Girls Track – Dallas Foard
- Modified Softball – Nicolas Van Vorst
- Modified Track – Matthew Loatman

New Appointments:

- Assistant Varsity Girls Track – Caitlin Zautner
- Assistant Varsity Boys Track – Michael Oliver
- Modified Track – Tiffany Ainsworth
- Varsity Softball – Jim Swab
- JV Softball – Samantha Casale
- Modified Baseball – Devan Miller

Volunteer Appointments:

- Volunteer Baseball Coach – Cody Cater

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #14-01/24/2022
Appoint School Play
Choreographer**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Kendra Ferris as School Play Choreographer for the 2021-2022 school at the hourly rate of \$25.00 (up to 4 hours per week) funded through ARP.

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #15-01/24/2022
Appoint Art Club
Advisor**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Anna Pellicone as Art Club Advisor for the 2021-2022 school year with a stipend of \$2,000 paid from the Title IV grant.

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves Melinda Rose as a tutor for a KMS student (1-hour per school day) beginning January 18, 2021 until CSE placement can be established.

RESO #16-01/24/2022
Approve Tutoring
Assignment

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby terminates the employment of Kristen Craig, Reading Teacher at Rensselaer Park Elementary School, effective February 24, 2022.

RESO #17-01/24/2022
Terminate
Employment –
Kristen Craig

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the request of Emily Burns, Elementary Teacher at Turnpike Elementary School, for an unpaid leave of absence beginning December 21, 2021 through February 11, 2022.

RESO #18-01/24/2022
Approve Unpaid
Leave – Emily Burns

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the request of Kerry Figiel, Elementary Teacher at Rensselaer Park Elementary School, for an unpaid leave of absence beginning January 3, 2022 through January 14, 2022.

RESO #19-01/24/2022
Approve Unpaid
Leave – Kerry Figiel

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the request of Elizabeth Thorpe, Elementary Teacher at Rensselaer Park Elementary School, for an unpaid

RESO #20-01/24/2022
Approve Unpaid
Leave – Elizabeth
Thorpe

leave of absence beginning February 7, 2022 through February 18, 2022.

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

**PERSONNEL –
Non-Instructional**

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Daneyia Thompson, Teacher Aide at Turnpike Elementary School, effective January 14, 2022.

**RESO #21-01/24/2022
Accept Resignation –
Daneyia Thompson**

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Britney Dolan as a Teacher Aide at Turnpike Elementary School with compensation and benefits as per the CSEA Contract as set forth below:

**RESO #22-01/24/2022
Appoint Teacher Aide
– Britney Dolan**

Commencement of Service – January 10, 2022
Salary – Step 4 / \$19.68 per hour

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints the following breakfast / noon aides for the 2021-2022 school year at the hourly rate of \$13.20:

**RESO#23-01/24/2022
Appoint Breakfast/
Noon Aides**

Cathie Close – TES
Candace Williams – TES
Julissa Carrington – TES
Lois Thomas
Gladys Thomas

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

**ADMINISTRATIVE
APPOINTMENTS**

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Robert Schongar as Chemical Hygiene Officer effective January 24, 2022.

**RESO #24-01/24/2022
Appoint Chemical
Hygiene Officer**

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Benjamin Seymour as the Privacy Official for HIPAA effective January 24, 2022.

**RESO #25-01/24/2022
Appoint HIPAA
Privacy Official**

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints and hereby designates Benjamin Seymour to represent the Lansingburgh Central School District as its Trustee under the Self-Insurance Plan for the Workers Compensation Trust; and it is further resolved that Kathleen Napples is designated to serve as alternate Trustee under the plan effective January 24, 2022.

**RESO #26-01/24/2022
Designate Trustee for
Workers Comp**

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Linda Klime and Dr. Antonio Abitabile to act as the Board's designees for the purposes of determining student residency pursuant to 8NYCRR section 100.2(y).

**RESO #27-01/24/2022
Appoint Designees to
Determine Student
Residency**

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Shaun Paolino as Title VI Compliance Officer for the 2021-2022 school year.

**RESO #28-01/24/2022
Appoint Title VI
Compliance Officer**

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #29-01/24/2022
Accept Donations**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the following donations:

<u>From</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Warren W. Fane	\$550	TES Dress a Knight
Knights Toy Drive	\$100	Anything is Possible Scholarship (in memory of Ayshawn Davis)

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion by Mr. White:

**RESO #30-01/24/2022
Approve Third
Amendment to
Employment Contract
– Dr. Antonio
Abitabile**

RESOLVED, the Board approves the Third Amended Employment Contract with Dr. Antonio Abitabile; and the President of the Board is authorized and directed to execute the Third Amended Employment Contract with Dr. Antonio Abitabile in the form provided to the Board on January 21, 2022.

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion by Mr. White:

**RESO #31-01/24/2022
Approve Contract for
Troy PD Manpower**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves a contract by and between the City of Troy and the Lansingburgh Central School District for Troy Police manpower at Boys and Girls Basketball home games for the 2021-2022 season.

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Second: Mr. Shover

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Mrs. Fairhurst asked why we will be approving a contract when the Troy PD are already in attendance at the games. Dr. Abitabile stated that this is an updated contract.

Motion by Mr. White:

**RESO #32-01/24/2022
Authorize School Tax
Refund**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and in compliance with the decision of the Rensselaer County Supreme Court, the Board of Education hereby authorizes a revision in assessment and tax for the 2020-2021 school tax year and authorizes a refund in the amount of \$1,875.55 to Riverview of Troy, LLC.

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Mr. Cusack stated that this was the former Whitney Young Health Center and then became the property of Unity House. They will be building a new structure there within the next few year.

Motion by Mr. White:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby adopts the schedule for 2022-2023 School Budget Development and Public Vote.

**RESO #33-01/24/2022
Adopt School Budget
Schedule**

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby adopts the revised 2021-2022 school calendar (revision 1.24.22).

**RESO #34-01/24/2022
Adopt Revised School
Calendar**

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Dr. Abitabile stated that the reason for the revision to the calendar is because January 2022 Regents exams have been cancelled. We have not heard anything about the June 2022 exams yet.

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the first reading of the following revised policies:

**RESO #35-01/24/2022
Approve First
Reading of Revised
Policies**

- 1230 – Public Comment at Board Meetings
- 2342 – Agenda Preparation and Dissemination
- 4000 – Student Learning Standards and Instructional Guidelines
- 8110 – School Building Safety
- 8112 – Health and Safety Committee
- 8220 – Building and Grounds Maintenance and Inspection

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the first reading of the following new policies:

**RESO #36-01/24/2022
Approve First
Reading of New
Policies**

NOW BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accept the following Final Tax Warrant Report from the Tax Collector for the 2021-2022 collection period:

<u>Lansingburgh Central School District 2021 - 2022</u>		Jane Luskin,	
<u>Tax Collection</u>		Tax Collector	
Total Taxes Collected to Date		\$13,475,602.75	
Total Penalties Collected to Date		\$8,147.25	
Total Odd Cent Over/Under		\$2.74	
<i>Total Collection</i>		\$13,483,752.74	
Uncollected Taxes	Tax	Penalty	Total
Lansingburgh	\$792,430.30	\$15,848.61	\$808,278.91
Brunswick	\$78,941.72	\$1,578.83	\$80,520.55
Schaghticoke	\$95,483.03	\$1,909.66	\$97,392.69
Pittstown	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<i>Total</i>	\$966,855.05	\$19,337.10	\$986,192.15
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Total Warrant - Tax Collector (Approved August 23, 2021)			\$14,437,836.38
Adjustments to Tax Warrant Due To Assessment or Clerical Error:			
Less: Warrant Changes			\$0.00
<i>Total Final Warrant</i>			\$14,437,836.38
Total Star Savings (Approved August 23, 2021)			\$1,710,481.62
Adjustments to Star Savings:			
Less: Star Changes			\$0.00
<i>Total Star Savings</i>			\$1,710,481.62
Total Tax Levy (Approved August 23, 2021)			\$16,148,318.00
Total Tax Collected			\$13,475,602.75

Total Tax Uncollected	-\$966,855.05
Total Prorated Taxes	\$4,621.42
Assessment Adjustments	\$0.00
Total Star Savings	-\$1,710,481.62
Star Savings Adjustment	\$0.00
<i>Balance</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

LHS Update by Mr. Van Dervoort – see page 17.
KMS Update by Ms. Phelan – see page 18.
RPES Update by Mrs. Stalker – see page 19.
TES Update by Ms. Cataldo – see page 20.

**PRINCIPALS
REPORTS**

By Mrs. McGrouty:

**ASSISTANT
SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT**

Mentoring	End of the second quarter Meeting with Year 1 teachers for quarterly meetings, and year 2 and 3 for their mid-year check-in. Teachers feel very supported
Professional Development	We released the Spring Catalog for Lansingburgh Academy
Assessments	The elementary schools are administering Math and ELA benchmarks, Fountas and Pinnell reading assessments, as well as IReady diagnostic assessments Middle and High School are administering midterms or final projects with the absence of the January Regents February 11 ½ day will be used to look at the assessment results and make a plan for small group instruction
Other	Sage Literacy Program began again World Read aloud February 2 Elementary switches specials Monday

**SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT**

By Dr. Abitabile:

The Transportation RFP is 98 pages long. It is for a 5-year contract. The RFP was broken up into 4 components: Regular Programming; Special Education; Summer School; and Sports trips / Fieldtrips. 10 areas were identified to create the rubric for scoring purpose. Half of those are for safety. The timeline released is similar to the one used five years ago.

The Governor released the state budget. There is an increase in \$2 million to Foundation Aid that will be phased in over a 3-year period.

Linda Klime is currently working with the preliminary tax cap numbers. She will be giving a presentation to the Board at the February 14th workshop. Assemblyman John McDonald will also be in attendance at the workshop to discuss the state budget and state aid projections.

Capital Project: The athletic portion of the project was reviewed. We would like to get the tract done this year if possible. Everything else would be done in 2023. The kitchen, cafeteria and art room will be reviewed on February 8th. The RFP for a Construction Manager is due back in early April.

We received the draft 2022-2023 school calendar from Questar III. This draft is expected to be adopted by their Board of Education on February 10th. We have already begun drafting our school calendar using Questar's as a guide.

Dr. Gladys Cruz will be in attendance at our February 28th Board Meeting.

Parent Square has been phased in and we will be doing away with School Messenger. We will now have one platform only for communication with parents.

The newest COVID guidelines seem to be working well. We are sending all sick kids home regardless of whether their symptoms are COVID related or not. We do not want any illnesses in the buildings.

Motion by Mr. White:

**RESO #41-1/24/2022
Executive Session**

Be it resolved that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. for the purpose of collective negotiations pursuant to article 14 of the Civil Service Law.

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESO #42-01/24/2022
Adjourn

Be it resolved this meeting of the Board of Education hereby
adjourns at 8:10 p.m.

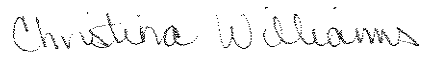
Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,



Christina Williams
Clerk to the Board of Education

**Lansingburgh High School
January 2022 Board Report
By Mr. Van Dervoort**

Parent communication

- FAC meeting: Topics of discussion- COVID changes, security, impact of no regents exams, regents exams, Parent Square

Academic

- Half year course over,
- Midterms/finals
- Senior meetings
- Quarter/semester ends Friday
- PLC collaborations (ELA and Social Studies writing goals)
- New teacher meetings year 1 with TOSA
- Advanced scheduling options for next year
- Pizza and professionals
- VOTEC tours
- SDM committee is working on a LHS mission statement

Attendance

- Committee is meeting Tuesdays
- 76% for January (82% for year) - most self-reported quarantines and positives
- Very flexible with making up work and reaching out to kids

Social emotional

- 10th grade extension with Rebecca Magin
- Planning 11/12th grade sessions in the spring 4 sessions
- Allys are meeting
- Morning music-the request line is open

DICIP meeting in February

- Clubs are packed
- Science club
- Book Club is packed
- Spanish club planning spring events
- LGBTQ movie night
- 9th grade movie night
- Athletics are packed
- Spring sports sign ups and meetings
- 2 football players honorable mention all-state -Jevon becket and Logan hart
- RPI step tutoring
- Jen Nelson is helping kids get jobs beginning to end, today they got the jobs
- Trish Dyers- multiply disabled room - student workers working with MD students on banding identification and advertisements
- Mr. Dalton's class working on retirement

**Knickerbacker Middle School
BOE Report
January 24, 2022**

Area of Focus	ELA	Math	SEL- Respect/Climate/Culture	Attendance	Parent Engagement
<p>Commitments</p> <p>Actions/Initiatives</p>	<p>Kirsten Widmer was with us the week of 1.3.22. She continued to work with grade level ELA teachers with their curriculum maps and planning for writer's workshop.</p> <p>2 Hour Midterms to build stamina with middle school students</p>	<p>Charlene Marchese came to work with Math teachers the week of 1.17.22. PD was in person and she visited classrooms to work on inquiry based learning.</p>	<p>Positivity Project morning announcements continue. This week 1.24-1.28, we are revisiting past traits and having classes guess the character trait. 5 classes will win a hot chocolate party.</p> <p>Traits covered so far:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open-mindedness • Forgiveness • Gratitude • Kindness • Perspective • Bravery <p>Student council is collecting socks to donate to a shelter until Jan. 31st. They will begin selling their kindness candy grams next week to help students spread kindness throughout the school the week of Feb. 14th. Students will also have the opportunity to take decorative paper to make positive messages, if they are not able to purchase candy.</p>	<p>Total of 14 Days January 80.15% 6-81.52% 7-79.64% 8-79.60%</p> <p>Year Sept- Jan. 87.46% 6-87.99% 7-87.54% 6-86.93%</p> <p>Letter will be sent home in report cards as a reminder</p>	<p>FAC Meeting on 1.26.22 6pm-7pm</p> <p>Topic will be Trauma Sensitive Practices</p>

Science PD took place the week of 1.10.22 and Liz Mirra continued to work with the new science teachers and planned for NGSS to increase the rigor with their lessons.

New teacher meetings took place last Thursday and Friday.

Schedule work for the 2022-2023 school year has started.

Lockdown Drill #2 January 27th

Katie Stalker
RPES Principal's Report
Board Meeting
1.24.22

Attendance

1. 3: 88.57%
2. 4: 92.19%
3. 5: 89.50%
4. Overall: 89.96%

The attendance committee will continue to meet to review attendance data this year.

Curriculum and Instruction

1. Karen Kohler
 - a. Book Study
 - b. Analysis of F&P Assessments
 - c. Teacher Observations with year 1 ELA teachers
2. Liz Mirra - Science PD
 - a. 3rd Gr. - Student responses on unit assessment
 - b. 4th Gr. - Embedded PD
 - c. 5th Gr. - Instruction for the Earth Systems Unit
3. Grade Level PLCs - We will review i-Ready winter diagnostic data on Wednesday and Thursday
4. Technology - Buncee, Library Maker's Space

Social and Emotional Learning

1. TSS committee is planning for our next "Ally Day" celebration, "Crack the Code: Olympics."
2. Character Education - January trait is "Optimism and Growth Mindset"
3. Cafeteria Stars

Events

1. Annual Board Presentation on 1/10/22
2. Guptill's Roller Skating for TES/RPES on 1/14/22
3. FAC Meeting on 1/20/22

School Leadership

1. Observations
2. Classroom visits
3. Midyear check in with untenured teachers

Kelly Cataldo
Principal's Report
Board Meeting
1/24/22

Attendance: January 2022:

1. UPK: 81%
2. K: 81%
3. 1: 84%
4. 2: 84%
5. Overall: 83%

Curriculum and Instruction:

1. Michelle Stone PD- Guided reading coaching with new teachers
2. Shifting the Balance PD - weekly book study to digest the shift from “learning to read” to “reading to learn”
3. January PLC's - Analyzing January testing data and regrouping students into Tier I, II, III starting in February

Social and Emotional Learning:

1. Character Ed trait of January Cooperation, next month:
2. Ally Day - 1/25/22: “Minute to Win-it” activities in the classrooms to build relationships.

Events:

1. Guptill's Roller Skating for TES/RPES on 1/14/22
2. FAC Meeting on 1/25/22

School Leadership:

1. Mrs. De Leon started on 1/3/22 - smooth transition
2. AP - TA Observations/ P - tenured teacher observations