

**Andover Board of Education Notes**  
**May 13, 2024**

**Budget hearing:** The Board held a budget hearing to allow the district to charge an additional \$375,000 of salaries and related expenditures to its Career and Postsecondary Education Fund. This change does not affect the total budget or mill levies for the 2023-24 year, only shifts how much money can be charged to the CTE budget line.

**Good News:** The Board recognized six elementary students who were recently named to the Kansas Music Educators Association's All-State Elementary Choir. They were Justin Burford, Mia Maloney, Michael Prella and Lakynn Smith of Prairie Creek Elementary, and Baylee Eilert and Tess Ellis of Wheatland Elementary. The students performed at the KMEA In-Service Workshop in February.

The Board also recognized eight students who won first place in events at the Kansas Science Olympiad competition at Wichita State University. They were Erica High and Audrey Eastman, Andover High School, Dynamic Planet; Madden Pumphrey and Tyler Osburn, AHS, Scrambler; Nile Hinson and Kole Trear, Andover Central Middle School, Air Trajectory; and Noah Hinson and William Harris, ACMS, Wheeled Vehicle.

**Spotlight on Learning:** Shelley Jonas, assistant director of Butler County Special Education Interlocal, and instructional coaches Bekka Straub and Ashly Roberson, [presented about the role](#) instructional coaches play in helping special education teachers in the district.

**Elementary ELA materials:** Jill Lachenmayr, assistant superintendent for academic affairs, and Traci Holder, director of instruction and intervention, presented an [update on scope and sequence](#) for the recommended English Language Arts instructional materials beginning in the 2024-25 school year.

**Transportation update:** Richard Bell, executive director of operations, presented an [update on transportation services](#) for the 2023-24 school year. He reported that First Student, the district's transportation provider, is fully staffed. Current on-time percentage for daily routes is 99.3%. More than 700 activity trips have been run since August.

**Budget amendment:** The Board voted to approve the budget amendment that was discussed during the earlier budget hearing.

**Temporary bond projects:** The Board voted to approve several temporary bond projects under authorization of the 2017 election language. These included \$86,684 for drainage issues at the Andover Center for Advanced Professional Studies and Meadowlark Elementary School; \$7,207.81 for elementary playground surface repairs; and \$16,921.73 for repairs at the Andover High School softball press box.

**Elementary ELA materials:** The Board [voted to adopt](#) UFLI Foundations as K-1 foundational skills materials for English Language Arts; Amplify Core Knowledge Language Arts for K-1 (knowledge only), 2<sup>nd</sup> grade (skills and knowledge) and grades 3-5 (integrated units of instruction; and Boost Reading (K-5).

**Superintendent's report:** Supt. Brett White reported that high school graduations went well.