



2024-2025 Board of Education

# Orchard Park CSD Board Meeting Report

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*Board Members in Attendance: Dr. Rogers, Mr. Anderson, Mrs. Sreniazewski, Mr. Provost, Mr. Draves, Mr. Romanello and Mr. Lippett, student ex-officio*

## Welcome to the District!

- Kevin Beato, Teacher, High School
- Cynthia Goddard, Bus Attendant, Transportation
- Kelsey Habermehl, RPN, District Wide
- Michael Hallman, Cleaner, Buildings and Grounds
- Patricia Hogate, Bus Driver, Transportation
- Kelly Kruszka, Teacher, Ellicott
- Nathan Myles-Kitchen, Building Guard, High School
- Nicole Roberts, Teacher Aide, Windom

## Congratulations on Retirement!

- Diane Shaver, Transportation Clerk, retiring after 38 years of service

## Announcements and Points of Pride

- Superintendent Lilleck's announcements and points of pride can be found by clicking the link [Points of Pride](https://www.opschools.org/Page/11064) or visiting [www.opschools.org/Page/11064](https://www.opschools.org/Page/11064).
- Mr. Lilleck held a moment of silence in honor of Mr. Adam Kreutinger. Mr. Kreutinger was a beloved art teacher at South Davis and had also taught at Windom and Ellicott Elementary schools. He was a dedicated, talented, gifted, and kind educator.





## Reports:

- **Mr. Lippitt, student ex-officio member**, reported on **STAP-Comm**. Mr. Lippitt, student ex-officio member, reported on STAP-Comm. He shared that the Erie County Student Leadership Summit was a great experience, and he thanked the teachers, librarians, and Mr. Park for their assistance. The Spring Fling dance will be held on April 5. He stated that the committee is working on a new fundraising initiative with the Family Solutions Center, and they are working on March Madness fundraising for the Special Olympics.
- **Mrs. Hornung reported on the District Technology Committee meeting**. During the District Technology Committee meeting, a speaker from Boces presented on AI and its impact on learning.

## Discussion

- **Recommended 2025-26 District Operating Budget** – Mr. Lilleck presented information on the recommended district comprehensive Pre-K -12 grade program operating budget. The **goals for the budget are to align with our Strategic Plan, Board goals, support current programs, and remain within the tax cap levy requirements**. The State proposed budget has a current estimate for Orchard Park to receive a 2% increase in foundation aid, which is about \$440,000. Mr. Lilleck shared that the administrative team was able to close the large budget gap of \$2,7000,000 to be under the tax cap levy requirements.
- Changes include:
  - Reduction of:
    - 6 teaching positions through retirements and attrition - these reductions will not change current class size guidelines, and two of the six positions were one-year, long-term positions for this current year
    - 1 librarian (high school)
    - 7 teacher assistants
    - 2 teacher aides
    - 1 district office clerical
    - 1 nurse (however, there will be a restructuring in the health support area with the hiring of a full-time Nurse Practitioner)
  - Addition of:
    - Speech Therapist
    - Behavioral Support Specialist
    - \$70K for the bus driver rate of pay - needed for recruitment and retention
- Read suggested changes to Policy 5685 - Use of Surveillance Cameras in the School District. The policy will be considered for adoption at the April 8 meeting.





## Action:

- **Approved all Consensus Items.**
- **Adopted the 2025-26 School Calendar**, view the entire 2025-26 school calendar here
  - Dates of note are as follows:
    - **2025**
      - September 3 – First Student Attendance Day
      - October 13 – Holiday – No School
      - October 20 – Superintendent's Conference Day – No Students
      - November 11 – Veterans Day – No School
      - November 26-28 – Thanksgiving Holiday – No School
      - December 22-31 – Winter Break – No School
    - **2026**
      - January 1-2 – Winter Break Continued – No School
      - January 5 – Classes Resume
      - January 19 – Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday – No School
      - February 16-20 – Mid-Winter Break – No School
      - March 13 – Superintendent's Conference Day – No Students
      - April 3-10 – Spring Break – No School
      - May 24 – Memorial Day Holiday – No School
      - June 17 – Anticipated Last UPK & Elementary Student Day (*contingent upon the number of snow closing days used*)
      - June 19 – Juneteenth Holiday – No School
- Accepted a donation in the amount of \$5,161.55 from the Foundation for Academic Excellence of Kindergarten Readiness Toolkits
- **Approved the grant-supported UPK Recommendations for the 2025-26 School Year**
- Approved the Auctions International Bid Awards
- Declared Middle School ELA Textbooks as obsolete and supplies, including an iPad from technology. Adopted the Rules for Use of Voting Machines and the Annual Legal Notice for May 20, 2025 Vote/Election
- **Approved the 2024 External Audit Corrective Action Plan**
- **Canceled the March 25, 2025, Board of Education Meeting**



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