

Magnolia Public School District
Superintendent's Report
April 15, 2025

The mission of the Magnolia School District is to develop well-rounded, engaged and confident learners who are proud, respectful, and contributing members of their school and community.

Information Items:

A. Curriculum/Programs

1. STAR/Renaissance Program
2. Researching Whole School Intervention period
3. Preschool benchmark tool

B. Interdistrict

1. Sharing ELL with Sterling will continue

C. Public Relations/Liaison

1. Community letter sent on Friday.

D. Student/Parental Issue and Concerns

E. Buildings and Grounds

1. A shelter in place was conducted on March 11, 2025
2. A fire drill was conducted on March 26, 2025

F. Negotiations/Contractual (Executive Session)

G. Misc

1. School Board's Convention
2. School Calendar (**attached**)

H. HIB

1. No HIB to report

I. Principal's Report

1. Mr. Sorrentino's report (**attached**)
2. Mrs. Marly's nurses report (**attached**)

Items for Board Approval: **Motion to approve, on the recommendation of the Superintendent:**

Personnel

1. The resignation of Andrea Geonnotti as lunch aide effective 3/31/2025 (**attached**)
2. The retirement of Merri Hansen as confidential secretary effective August 1, 2025 (**attached**)
3. Rebecca Kitchmire as confidential secretary effective July 1, 2025 at a starting salary of \$65,000
4. Erin Hobbs as pre-k teacher effective May 1, 2025 as a BA step 1 with a starting salary of \$59,090
5. Jack Cline as custodian effective June 1, 2025 at step 4 with a starting salary of \$43,330
6. Nicholas Meehl as PSD teacher effective September 1, 2025 as a MA step 4 at a starting salary of \$67,321
7. Kelly Neckonchuk as pre-k teachers assistant effective September 1, 2025 on step 16 at a salary of \$26,273
8. Erin Hobbs, Elena DiBlasio, and Gail Walters to attend Brookdale Community College to complete their program for their pre k-3 standard certification. To be reimbursed upon the completion of course. This is a two year program.
9. Patrick Healy to take fall and spring coursework at Wilmington University in pursuit of his masters in educational leadership (payment as per contract)
10. Courtney Branco as substitute nurse effective April 16, 2025 at a rate of \$250.00 a day
11. All Teaching staff and teaching assistants/aides not to exceed 10 hours for summer professional development to be aligned with our SEL, math and language arts initiatives. Teachers to be paid \$20.00 an hour and teaching assistants/aides to be paid their hourly rate (to be taken out of Title II)
12. All new hires and any teacher making a grade/subject change not to exceed 20 hours of summer professional development to be aligned with our SEL, math and language arts initiatives at \$20.00 an hour (to be taken out of Title II)
13. Lezley Turnbull and Jamie Devecchis to work over the months of July and August
be paid \$20.00 an hour not to exceed 20 hours, for HIB and SEL planning purposes for the upcoming 2025-2026 school year (to be taken out of Title II)

14. Sandy Marlys to be paid her hourly rate of \$53.97 to work July and August not to exceed 20 hours to complete and update health records, parent correspondence, nursing reports and school safety meetings.
15. Lorraine Shields and Kelly McIlvaine to do preschool screening over the summer at \$40.00 an hour not to exceed 6 hours each

Trips

1. The Magnolia Performing Arts trip to Great Adventure on June 3, 2024 from 9:30am to 8:00pm (this is not a board expensed trip)

Policies

The following updated policies and regulations from Strauss Esmay Associates (Approval was given at the Special Meeting on May 25, 2010 to allow the Superintendent to update policy alerts from Strauss Esmay Associates.)

1. 2nd reading of regulation #2415 Title 1 Services (**attached**)

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Macpherson
Superintendent