

## SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTER

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Wyoming Valley West School District

Interpreting  
October 8, 2025

### REGULAR OCTOBER BOARD MEETING – October 8, 2025

Approved **Agreement** between **ProCare** and Wyoming Valley West School District for the 2025/2026 school year.

Approved Agreement between **Keystone Academy** and Wyoming Valley West School District for services during the 2025/2026 school year.

Approved request from David Sieminski/Ashley Temarantz, **Spartan Ski & Board Club Advisors**, to take members to Smugglers' Notch Resort, Vermont, January 27-30, 2026, no cost to the District.

Approved request from **WVW Lady Spartans Softball** to use an alternative logo.

Approved Agreement between **WVIA (Enhanced Scholar Program)** and Wyoming Valley West School District for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027, and 2027-2028 school years, \$3,000/year.

Approved **Workers' Compensation Review Agreement** between American Risk Management Services, Inc. and Wyoming Valley West School District to review the workers' compensation insurance policies and the premiums paid.

Authorized the adoption by the School Board of Wyoming Valley West School District of a **Resolution** declaring its intent to reimburse itself for expenditures to be paid by the School District from its general funds in connection with capital projects of the District with the proceeds of a tax-exempt bond issue, all as more fully described in the complete text of the Resolution.

Approved Agreement for continuation of (CSBBH) **Community and School-Based Behavioral Health Program** at State Street Elementary for 2025/2026.

Approved **excused absences** September 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025.

Appointed the following **Student Representatives to the School Board** for the 2025/2026 school year:

- ❖ **Senior Liaison** – Emily Bolan
- ❖ **Junior Liaison** – Rhiley Castro

Appointed the following **new hires - \$16.00/hr.**

- ❖ **Natalie Asikainen** - Attendance/General Duty Aide, Middle School, effective September 29, 2025.
- ❖ **Clarissa Astwood** - Autistic Support Aide, State Street, effective October 1, 2025.
- ❖ **Robert Bowers** - Computer Aide, State Street, effective October 6, 2025.
- ❖ **Rudilannia Diaz-Diaz** - Autistic Support Aide, Third Ave., effective September 30, 2025.
- ❖ **Haley Freeman** - Cleaner, High School, effective October 2, 2025.
- ❖ **Sahar Graham** - Autistic Support Aide, State Street, effective September 4, 2025.
- ❖ **Sumayah Haya** - Computer Aide, State Street, effective September 15, 2025.
- ❖ **Myliesha Johnson** - Autistic Support Aide, High School, effective September 15, 2025.
- ❖ **Dawn Krugal** - Cleaner, State Street, effective September 29, 2025.
- ❖ **Kaylee Patronick** - Learning Support Aide, Dana Street, effective September 29, 2025.
- ❖ **Diane Patterson** - Cleaner, Middle School, effective September 5, 2025.
- ❖ **Genesis Pedroza** - Personal Care Assistant, Dana Street, effective October 2, 2025.
- ❖ **Erica Phillips** - Autistic Support Aide, State Street, effective September 8, 2025.
- ❖ **Rose Rivera** - Personal Care Aide, Middle School, effective September 29, 2025.

- ❖ **Kassie Rodriguez** - General Duty Aide/Office, State Street, effective October 6, 2025.
- ❖ **Rebecca Scorey** - Computer Aide, Chester Street, effective September 29, 2025.
- ❖ **Darnely Toro** - Autistic Support Aide, Third Ave., effective September 30, 2025.
- ❖ **Zakiyah Whittle** - Autistic Support Aide, High School, effective September 15, 2025.

Appointed **Meleny Perez**, Spanish Teacher, High School, effective immediately, \$46,500.  
Accepted resignation, with regret, due retirement, **Frank Vnuk**, Custodian, Middle School, effective October 28, 2025.

Approved Child Rearing Leave, **Emp. #644761**, effective November 10, 2025; returning November 24, 2025.

Approved Child Rearing Leave, **Emp. #195381**, effective November 6, 2025; returning January 5, 2026.

Accepted resignation, with regret, **Katelyn Sarnak**, Speech and Language Pathologist, Middle School/State Street, effective September 26, 2025.

Accepted the following **resignations**:

- ❖ **Logan Darling** – Cleaner, State Street, effective May 19, 2025.
- ❖ **Lyn Pastore** – Nurse Assistant, Dana St., effective October 3, 2025.
- ❖ **Linda Slaski** – Learning Support Aide, Dana Street, effective September 2, 2025.
- ❖ **Denise Dalley** – Learning Support Aide, High School, effective June 13, 2025.
- ❖ **Marilyn Oropeza** – Autistic Support Aide, State Street, effective September 2, 2025.
- ❖ **Vanessa Citron** – PCA, High School, effective October 14, 2025.
- ❖ **Alexis Saldana** – Autistic Support Aide, Third Ave., effective September 30, 2025.

Appointed the following **Mentor** for 2025/2026:

<u><b>Teacher</b></u> ( <i>Social Worker</i> )	<u><b>Mentor</b></u>
Rava-Osborn, Kelly	Kislin, Rachel

Appointed **Ricky Bell**, Boys Varsity Basketball Coach, effective immediately, \$7,380.

Granted **Compensation** to professional staff members, as presented:

- ❖ 18 Credits Beyond Bachelor's Degree
- ❖ 24 Credits Beyond Bachelor's Degree
- ❖ Master's/Master's Equivalency
- ❖ Beyond Master's/Master's Equivalency for courses approved by the Superintendent

Appointed **Tiffany Kopec**, Instructional Specialist, Middle School, Act 93 Grant Funded, effective TBD, \$88,000.

Appointed **Nathan Searfoss**, Instructional Specialist Assistant, Middle School, Act 93 Grant Funded, effective TBD, \$47,500.

Appointed **Samuel Alba**, Dean of Students, High School, Act 93 Grant Funded, effective TBD, \$75,000.

Appointed **Jason Naugle**, Dean of Students, High School, Act 93 Grant Funded, effective TBD, \$75,000.

Approved stipend of \$1,280 for **GIEP** writing and implementation to the following *High School Teachers* for 2025/2026:

Melissa Bennett	Lisa Hogan	John Sharkus
Thomas Cunningham	Steve Klem	Douglas Shook
Rebecca Dicton	Ryan Prohaska	Karin Ulitchney
Edward Groth	Theodore Settas	Edward Zawatski

Accepted and approved the following as presented: **Bills for Payment, Finance Manager's Reports and Treasurer's Report.**

#### **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

**November Work Session** - Wednesday, November 5, 2025 - 7:00 PM

**Regular November Meeting** - Wednesday, November 12, 2025 - 7:00 PM