

## SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTER

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Wyoming Valley West School District

Interpreting  
November 12, 2025

### REGULAR NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING – November 12, 2025

Approved **Real Estate Property Tax Exemption** through the Pennsylvania State Veterans' Commission to the following:

- ❖ Lawrence J Deiningner
- ❖ Carl Johnson

Approved Wyoming Valley West School District administering the **PAYS Survey** (Pennsylvania Youth Survey).

Approved the purchase of a shed for the **WVW Softball Team** paid for by the WVW Softball Booster Club.

Approved **Mark J. Sobeck Roof Consulting, Inc.** to provide roof consulting services for the Wellness Center, the rectory building, and garage building; \$8,970; not including inspections of work in progress.

Approved renewal with **Guardian** for AD&D and Life Insurance, November 1, 2025 – October 31, 2026.

Approved the December Board Meeting dates as follows:

**Reorganization Meeting** – Wednesday, December 3, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., immediately followed by the Work Session. Regular December Board Meeting, Wednesday, December 10, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Approved **refund of paid taxes** for the following property owner: PIN# 48-H8SE4-047-023 Plymouth Borough Ambulance Association (for the year 2024) \$807.48

Approved **Dual Diagnosis Agreement** between the Luzerne Intermediate Unit and Wyoming Valley West School District for Dual Diagnosis Therapeutic Services for the 2025-2026 school year; \$155.00/day; specified student.

Approved **Total Grant Services (TGS) Agreement** between Edu Consult Consulting and Wyoming Valley West School District for services; 24-months, \$2,000/month, beginning November 17, 2025.

Approved **License Agreement** between Wyoming Valley West School District and property owner, Andrew Barney, for access to the stormwater swale at State Street Elementary.

Approved 36-month purchase of **CLEAR** from Thomson Reuters. (1<sup>st</sup> year - \$2709.36/month; 2<sup>nd</sup> year - \$2844.83/month; 3<sup>rd</sup> year - \$2987.07/month)

Approved Agreement between **WVW Transport, Inc.** and Wyoming Valley West School District for **pupil bus transportation**, effective July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2031.

Approved Agreement between **WVW Transport, Inc.** and Wyoming Valley West School District for **pupil van transportation**, including extended school year (ESY), effective July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2031.

Approved addition to **Substitute Teacher** list: Tegan Shortlidge

Approved **excused absences** October 1, 2025 – October 31, 2025.

Accepted the following **resignations**:

- ❖ **Robert Bowers** – Computer Aide/State Street, effective October 6, 2025.
- ❖ **Tania Moore** – Autistic Support Aide/Third Ave., effective November 7, 2025.
- ❖ **Kylee Ritchie** – Cleaner/High School, effective November 4, 2025.
- ❖ **Rebecca Scorey** – Computer Aide/Chester St./Third Ave., effective October 2, 2025.

Appointed the following **new hires**:

- ❖ **Alyssia Bevan** – Autistic Support Aide/State Street, \$16.00/hour, effective October 8, 2025.

- ❖ **Jason Blyther** – Autistic Support Aide/High School, \$16.00/hour, effective November 10, 2025.
- ❖ **Lexie Faux** – Autistic Support Aide/Third Ave., \$16.00/hour, effective November 10, 2025.
- ❖ **Christina Hayes** – Autistic Support Aide/State Street, \$16.00/hour, effective October 29, 2025.
- ❖ **Sarah Hirthler** – Autistic Support Aide/State Street, \$16.00/hour, effective September 4, 2025.
- ❖ **Taylor Hoover** – Cleaner/State Street, \$13.50/hour, effective June 19, 2025; \$16.00/hour effective July 1, 2025.
- ❖ **Hannah Kinney** – Autistic Support Aide/State Street, \$16.00/hour, effective October 8, 2025.
- ❖ **Autumn Gaylord** – PCA/Chester Street, \$16.00/hour, effective October 29, 2025.
- ❖ **Julissa Rodrigues-Gonzalez** – Autistic Support Aide/Chester Street, \$16.00/hour, effective October 20, 2025.
- ❖ **Harlequin Mendez** – Classroom Aide/Third Ave., \$16.00/hour, effective October 22, 2025.
- ❖ **Kelly Savage** – Autistic Support Aide/High School, \$16.00/hour, effective November 10, 2025.
- ❖ **Kaitlyn Stark** – Computer Aide/Chester St./Third Ave., \$16.00/hour, effective October 14, 2025.
- ❖ **Roemilka Diaz** – Autistic Support Aide/Chester Street, \$16.00/hour, effective October 20, 2025.

Approved the following **transfer of positions**:

- ❖ **Brenda Murnock** – Classroom Aide/Middle School to General Duty Aide/Special Education Office, effective November 13, 2025.
- ❖ **Jared Sulitka** – Cleaner/State Street to Custodian/State Street (full time position), effective November 13, 2025.
- ❖ **Alan Syreika** – Cleaner/State Street to Custodian/Middle School (full time position), effective November 13, 2025.

Accepted resignation, with regret, **Courtenay Degnon**, Assistant Director of Special Education, effective December 16, 2025.

Accepted resignation, with regret, **Laurie Oakley**, Matron/Middle School, effective November 6, 2025.

Accepted resignation, with regret, **Bob Stelma**, Head Football Coach, effective immediately.

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

Jennifer Amato	Donna Maxwell
Michael Gross	Ned Whalen
Theresa Holodick	Patricia Winton
Erin Lada	

Appointed the following recommended **Winter Coaches** for 2025/2026:

(\*Salary listed is the 2024/2025 amount)

**GIRLS' BASKETBALL**

VARSAITY 10-12 Gary Ferenchick	\$7380
GIRLS ASSISTANT VARSAITY 10-12 Keith Ferenchick	\$4155
GIRLS ASSISTANT 9 Eric Raitter	\$3918
GIRLS ASSISTANT 8 Joe Podskoch	\$3560
GIRLS ASSISTANT 7 Tyler Ferenchick	\$3560

**SWIMMING**

GIRLS VARSITY 9-12 Ed Zawatski	\$4776
BOYS VARSITY 9-12 Ed Zawatski	\$4776
DIVING (Boys & Girls) 9-12 Ibrahim Ismail	\$2867

**TRACK (BOYS & GIRLS) WINTER 9-12**

VARSITY (Girls) Courtney Thomas	\$4449
VARSITY (Boys) Ashley Temarantz	\$4449

**WRESTLING**

VARSITY 10-12 Ryan Vassello	\$7380 + \$2000 girls
ASSISTANT VARSITY (GIRLS) 10-12 Dan Seip	\$4155
ASSISTANT VARSITY 10-12 Matt Judge	\$4155
ASSISTANT VARSITY 7-9 (Head) Tim Casey	\$3918
ASSISTANT VARSITY 7-9 Derrick Simms	\$3560
ASSISTANT VARSITY 7-9 Dan Modrow	\$3560

**BOYS' BASKETBALL**

BOYS VARSITY 10-12 Rick Bell	\$7380
BOYS ASSISTANT VARSITY 10-12 Derrick West	\$4155
BOYS ASSISTANT 9 Omar Kellom	\$3918
BOYS ASSISTANT 8 Chris Rivers	\$3560
BOYS ASSISTANT 7 Chris Rivers	\$3560

**CHEERLEADER**

JR. HIGH 7-9 Abby Schaal	\$1909
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Appointed recommended candidate, **Audrey Roccograndi**, Speech/Language Pathologist, Dana Street/State Street, \$91,200 effective TBD.

Appointed recommended candidate, **Darlene Reilley**, Assistant Special Education Director, \$90,000 effective TBD.

Approved Resolution authorizing Statement of Charges, suspension without pay, and Notice of Right to a Hearing, **Emp. #895611**.

Approved Resolution authorizing Statement of Charges, suspension without pay, and Notice of Right to a Hearing, **Emp. #323159**.

Approved Resolution authorizing Statement of Charges, suspension without pay, and Notice of Hearing, **Emp. #433156**.

Approved Medical Leave, **Emp. #763734**, effective November 18, 2025; returning TBD.

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

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

***Reorganization Meeting*** - Wednesday, December 3, 2025 - 7:00 PM, immediately followed by the *December Work Session*.

***Regular December Meeting*** - Wednesday, December 10, 2025 - 7:00 PM