WESTLAKE CITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Monday, February 9, 2026 – 6:00 P.M. Special Meeting
Hilliard Administrative Building, 24365 Hilliard Blvd., Westlake, OH 44145

1. Opening

A. Call to Order: 6:00 P.M.

B. Roll Call

Mrs. Pirnat	Present
Mr. Lamb	Present
Mr. Brown	Present
Mr. Finucane	Present
Mr. Kraft	Present

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Westlake City School District Mission Statement

We Educate for Excellence...

Empowering all students to achieve their educational goals, to direct their lives, and to contribute to society.

E. Westlake City School District Vision Statement

The Westlake City School District will provide a dynamic, student-centered, learning environment. Our district will be characterized by high achievement, actively engaged learners, mutual respect, shared knowledge, pursuit of new skills and capabilities, collaborative learning, willingness to take action, a team commitment to data-driven continuous improvement, and tangible results.

F. Acknowledgement of Visitors

G. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mr. Kraft Seconded by Mr. Finucane

Mr. Brown	AYE
Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Lamb	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE

2. Recognitions & Informative Reports

A. OSBA Awards and Recognition

Presenters: Kathy Quintiliano and Debby Melda

OSBA Purple Star Awards for the following schools:

Westlake High School
Lee Burneson Middle School
Dover Intermediate School
Westlake Elementary School

10 Year Board Member Award: Joe Kraft

B. Staff Excellence Awards

Fall 2025 Excellence Awards

Excellence in Teaching Service- Cathy DuBois, Media Specialist DIS/LMBS

Excellence in Classified Service- Terry Janmey, Teacher Assistant DIS

3. Board Committee Reports

A. Legislative Liaison

B. Student Achievement Report

C. Superintendent Committee Reports

D. Treasurer Committee Reports

4. Superintendent's Recommendations

Resolution 26- 50

A. Resolution to Approved Overnight Field Trip

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approved the following overnight field trip(s):

DIS/LBMS/WHS

Science Olympiad
University of Michigan Invitational
1109 Geddes Avenue
Ann Arbor, MI

Number of students: 45 selected from previous competition
Depart: Friday, February 13th 2026 @12pm
Return: Saturday, February 14th, 2026 @ 10pm
Hotel: Even Hotel 600 Briarwood Circle, Ann Arbor, Mi 48108
Transportation: Johnson Charter, 4840 20A, Delta, OH 43515
Estimated Cost per student: $150
All cost paid by parents or Westlake Science Olympiad Boosters Scholarship

Westlake High School
Latin Club
Ohio Junior Classical Convention
Crown Plaza Columbus- North Worthington
Columbus, OH

Depart: Friday, March 6th @ 9am
Return: Sunday, March 8th @ 2pm
Transportation: WHS Bus
Number of students participating: 10
Cost per student: $300
All cost paid by parent or funds from Latin Club

Moved by Mr. Kraft Seconded by Mr. Lamb

Mr. Brown	AYE
Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Lamb	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE

Resolution 26- 51

B. Resolution to Approved 2026-2027 Parent Handbooks

RESOLVED that the Westlake Board of Education approved the following Academic Services handbooks for the 2026-27 school year:

Early Entrance Handbook

Updates for 2026-2027 School Year
The Early Entrance Handbook has now been revised to adjust for the August 25th cutoff date and to specify that parents can apply for their child to be admitted to Kindergarten with a birthdate on or after January 1st and would be evaluated using the District's Acceleration Handbook process.

Moved by Mr. Kraft Seconded by Mr. Lamb

Mr. Brown	AYE
Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Lamb	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE

5. Board Comments

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6. Executive Session

A. Adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Discipline, Promotion, Demotion or Compensation of an Employee or Official AND to Review Specialized Details of Security Arrangements

Moved by Mr. Finucane Seconded by Mr. Kraft

Mr. Brown	AYE
Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Lamb	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE

Enter Executive Session at 6:35 P.M.

B. Adjourn Executive Session and Return to Regular Session

Adjourn Executive Session and Return to Regular Session at 7:23 P.M.

7. Closing

A. Adjournment

Moved by Mr. Kraft Seconded by Mr. Lamb

Mr. Brown	AYE
Mr. Finucane	AYE
Mr. Kraft	AYE
Mrs. Lamb	AYE
Mrs. Pirnat	AYE

Meeting Adjourned at 7:23 P.M.

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President

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Treasurer

The public may address the Board during the periods of the meeting designated for public participation. Each person addressing the Board shall give his/her name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person is allotted three minutes until the total time allotted is used. During that period, no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have had the opportunity to do so. The period of public participation may be extended by a vote of the majority of the Board present and voting.