

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION; DECEMBER 9, 2025



JAMES J. GREENWALD ADMINISTRATION BUILDING ♦ 3200 MARYVILLE ROAD ♦ GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS 62040-5144

MEMBERS PRESENT: Becky Bradley, Randy Christy, Jr., Lori Silva, Eric Stacy, Tallin Curran, Don Lienemann and Erica Venne.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Dr. Don Harris, Superintendent of Schools, Jody Batson, Stephanie Boyer, Sarah Corzine, Patrick Curry, Mike Dowdy, Brad Ervay, Cory Ervay, Dr. Adam Garrett, Chris Hutchings, Dr. David Keel, Julie Matarelli, Steven Mathes, Tim McChristian, Chris McCullough, Chris Mitchell, John Moad, Dr. Liz Niepert, Nikki Petrillo, Tom Schooley, Brad Smith, Eric Smith, Zack Suhre, Marci Sweet, Micki Watkins, and Ann Wilson

STUDENT ADVISORY

BOARD MEMBER: Lily Meyenburg.

OTHERS PRESENT: REVEREND Stacey Wilson and Officer Preston Brown

This was an open meeting that took place in the Board Room at the Board of Education Offices. There was a total of twenty-six (26) Employees, ten (10) Guests, one (1) Student Board Member, and six (7) Board Members, physically present.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION;

1. ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM; The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President, Eric Stacy. Roll was called. Seven {7} Board Members were physically present, and a quorum was declared. President Stacy asked those present to stand for the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation. He stated that citizens or parents with children in attendance, who did not wish to participate in the Invocation, could wait outside the Board Conference Room until after the Board moved to Item IV, Public Comment. Reverend Stacey Wilson, offered the invocation.
2. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION; Motion by Member Lienemann, seconded by Member Bradley, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the board of education held on Tuesday, November 18, 2025

Members voting - Silva, "aye", Bradley "aye", Stacy, "aye", Curran, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", Venne, "aye", and Christy, "aye", motion.

3. CONSENT AGENDA; Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the items listed on the consent agenda as follows:

A. Treasurer's Reports

October 2025 Treasurer's Report
(available upon request)

B. Bill List

November 12, 2025 – December 4, 2025

Members voting - Silva, "aye", Bradley "aye", Stacy, "aye", Curran, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", Venne, "aye", and Christy, "aye", motion.

4. RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS; Motion by Member Venne seconded by Member Bradley, upon the recommendation of administration, to rescind the following retirements and resignations:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
McKenzie Munoz	ESL Paraprofessional/Frohardt	Resignation	01/05/2026
Taylor Campbell	Café/Maryville	Resignation	12/19/2025
Aaron Werths	GCHS Head CC Coach	Resignation	2025-2026
	{extracurricular resignation as head coach ONLY }		

Members voting - Silva, "aye", Bradley "aye", Stacy, "aye", Curran, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", Venne, "aye", and Christy, "aye", motion.

REQUESTS FOR LEAVES OF ABSENCE; Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following requests for leaves of absence:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Elizabeth Boyer	Special Ed. Teacher/CJHS	FMLA	12/10/25-03/04/26
Kaycia Buehler	Special Ed. Teacher/Grigsby	FMLA	12/15/25-01/12/26
Sarah Herrin	Paraprofessional/GCHS	FMLA	11/19/25-12/05/25
Rhonda Conklin	Paraprofessional/Prather	FMLA	11/29/25- 12/29/25

Members voting - Silva, "aye", Bradley "aye", Stacy, "aye", Curran, "aye", Lienemann, "aye", Venne, "aye", and Christy, "aye", motion.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT WORKERS {CO-OPS} FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR; Motion by Member Bradley, seconded by Member Curran, upon the recommendation of the administration, to accept the following GCHS Student Workers (Co-Ops):

Name

Gabriela Gutierrez

Members voting - Silva, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Lienemann, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Christy, “aye”, motion.

6. EXTRACURRICULAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR; Motion by Member Bradley seconded by Member Venne, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following extracurricular assignments for the 2025-2026 school year:

Name

Position

Penny Tingley	GCHS Head Ticket Taker
Jeff Anderson	GCHS 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Liz Cicio	GCHS 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Kathy Conley	GCHS 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Billy Laycock	GCHS 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Kim Lignoul	GCHS 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Lisa Miller	GCHS 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
John Moad	GCHS 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Julie Phillips	GCHS 3 rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Bill Puhse	GCHS 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Ann Sykes	GCHS 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Meredith Tabscott	GCHS 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Vince Willaredt	GCHS 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Liz Cicio	GCHS 3rd Qtr Evening Metal Detector Supervisor
Peggy Wilson	GCHS 3rd Qtr Evening Metal Detector Supervisor
Steve Akeman	Coolidge 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Gayla Bennett	Coolidge 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Jennifer Dutko	Coolidge 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Jodie Jackels	Coolidge 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor

Teri Kunz	Coolidge 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Nicole Parker	Coolidge 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Laura Pavlovec	Coolidge 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Sonja Stewart	Coolidge 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Darla Bremer	Frohardt 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Karen Kocarnik	Frohardt 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Holly Bladdick	Frohardt 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Darla Bremer	Frohardt 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Diana Karnafel	Frohardt 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Karen Kocarnik	Frohardt 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Ann Mayhall	Frohardt 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Staci Melvin	Frohardt 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Kim Merz	Frohardt 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Lisa Recer	Frohardt 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Liz Biewald	Grigsby 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Laura Coracy	Grigsby 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Lee Elliff	Grigsby 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Mary Kay Wilson	Grigsby 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Andrea Apperson	Grigsby 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Kaycia Buehler	Grigsby 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Christy Counton	Grigsby 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Angelique Dorris	Grigsby 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Amy Griffith	Grigsby 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Shelby Myatt	Grigsby 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Leah Schreiber	Grigsby 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
DeAnn Sivilie	Grigsby 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Ann Smith	Grigsby 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Mary Kay Wilson	Grigsby 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Meagan Harper	Maryville 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Lori Wilson	Maryville 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Sharon Albers	Maryville 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Kate Becker	Maryville 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Erin Ernst	Maryville 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Meagan Harper	Maryville 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Amy Sanvi	Maryville 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Carrie Sitton	Maryville 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Denise Stout	Maryville 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Lori Wilson	Maryville 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Cynthia Desper	Mitchell 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Christy Taylor	Mitchell 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Claudia Cass	Mitchell 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Amanda Corey-Cox	Mitchell 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Catherine Delmore	Mitchell 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Penny Feldt	Mitchell 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Michaela Genovese-Moss	Mitchell 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Laura Marzluf	Mitchell 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Amanda McNamer	Mitchell 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Marla Miller	Mitchell 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty

Christy Marana	Prather 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Teresa Meador	Prather 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Julie Mueller	Prather 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Ashley Swip	Prather 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Pam Brezger	Prather 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Cindy Heintz	Prather 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Christy Marana	Prather 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Brandy McFarland	Prather 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Teresa Meador	Prather 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Stephanie Medlin	Prather 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Julie Mueller	Prather 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Ashley Swip	Prather 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Jeremy Weaver	Prather 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Brandi Widel	Prather 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Sarah Fernandez	Wilson 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Tanya Miller	Wilson 3rd Qtr Metal Detector Supervisor
Kacie Bamert	Wilson 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Lindsay Carney	Wilson 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Lynn Isringhausen	Wilson 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Tanya Miller	Wilson 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Sarah Shaw	Wilson 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Richie Skirball	Wilson 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Erica Stone	Wilson 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty
Mary Wright	Wilson 3rd Quarter Lunch Duty

Approval is recommended, pending completion of required paperwork.

Members voting - Silva, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Lienemann, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Christy, “aye”, motion.

7. EXTRACURRICULAR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR;
Motion by Member Lienemann, seconded by Member Bradley, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following extracurricular assignments for the 2026-2027 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Eric Hill	GCHS Asst Athletic Director

Rob Brooksher	GCHS Head Boys Soccer Coach
Gerald Lakin	GCHS Asst Boys Soccer Coach
Jeff Ridenour	GCHS Head Boys Golf Coach
Greg Vaughn	GCHS Asst Boys Golf Coach
Ginger Harrison	GCHS Head Girls Golf Coach
Chris Harrison	GCHS Asst Girls Golf Coach
Julie Schreiber	GCHS Head Girls Tennis Coach
Linda Ames	GCHS Asst Girls Tennis Coach
Grace Hurst	GCHS Head Girls Volleyball Coach
Alexandria Boiven	GCHS Asst Girls Volleyball Coach
Danielle DePew	GCHS Asst Girls Volleyball Coach
Tiffany Kimmel	GCHS Head Cheer Coach
Jennifer Connelly	GCHS Asst Sideline Cheer Coach

Members voting - Venne, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Silva, “aye”, Lienemann “aye”, and Christy, “aye” motion carried. **Members absent** – Curran

8. EXTRACURRICULAR VOLUNTEER RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR; Motion by Member Silva, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following extracurricular volunteers for the 2025-2026 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Jessica Gerber	GCHS Trach
Ben Dell	GCHS Baseball
Rachel Clark	GCHS Dive
Steve Knogl	Coolidge Wrestling
Scott Penny Sr.	Coolidge Wrestling
Mike Garland	Coolidge Wrestling

Members voting - Silva, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Lienemann, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Christy, “aye”, motion.

9. CERTIFIED AND CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTES; Motion by Member Lienemann, seconded by Member Christy, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following certified and classified substitutes for the 2025-2026 school year, pending the submission of the required paperwork:

Certified

Classified

Kiersten Buckingham Brett Bloomquist Kursten Reynolds

Members voting - Silva, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Lienemann, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Christy, “aye”, motion.

10. POLICIES; Motion by Member Silva, seconded by Member Bradley, upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, to approve the following policies that were reviewed at the November 18, 2025, Policy Meeting:

2:120 Board Member Development
2:150 Committees
2:270 Discrimination and Harassment on the Basis of Race, Color, and National Origin Prohibited
3:10 Goals and Objectives
3:50 Administrative Personnel other than the Superintendent
3:60 Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal
4:10 Fiscal and Business Management
4:30 Revenue and Investments
4:80 Accounting and Audits
4:110 Transportation
4:140 Waiver of Student Fees
4:150 Facility Management and Building Programs
4:160 Environmental Quality of Buildings and Grounds
4:170 Safety
4:190 Targeted School Violence Prevention Program
5:10 Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment
5:20 Workplace Harassment Prohibited
5:90 Abused and Neglected Child Reporting
5:100 Staff Development Program
5:120 Employee Ethics; Code of Professional Conduct; and Conflict of Interest
5:185 Family and Medical Leave

5:190	Teacher Qualifications
5:200	Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal
5:220	Substitute Teachers
5:280	Duties and Qualifications
5:300	Schedules and Employment Year
6:20	School Year Calendar and Day
6:40	Curriculum Development
6:60	Curriculum Content
6:130	Program for the Gifted
6:135	Accelerated Placement Program
6:140	Education of Homeless Children
6:160	English Learners
6:210	Instructional Materials
6:220	Bring Your Own Technology (BYOT) Program; Responsible Use and Conduct
6:235	Access to Electronic Networks
6:240	Field Trips
6:260	Complaints About Curriculum, Instructional Materials, and Programs
6:270	Guidance and Counseling Program
6:280	Grading and Promotion
6:300	Graduation Requirements
6:310	High School Credit for Non-District Experiences; Course Substitutions; Re-Entering Students
6:315	High School Credit for Students in Grades 7 or 8
6:320	High School Credit for Proficiency
7:10	Equal Educational Opportunities
7:70	Attendance and Truancy
7:130	Student Rights and Responsibilities
7:140	Search and Seizure
7:150	Agency and Law Enforcement Requests
7:180	Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment
7:190	Student Behavior
7:250	Student Support Services
7:290	Suicide and Depression Awareness and Prevention
7:310	Restrictions on Publications; Elementary Schools
7:315	Restrictions on Publications; High Schools
7:340	Student Records
8:30	Visitors and Conduct on School Property
8:100	Relations with Other Organizations and Agencies
2:150-AP	Superintendent Committees
2:270-AP	Prevention and Response Program for Complaints of Discrimination and

	Harassment Based on Race, Color, and National Origin Prohibited
4:60-AP2	Third Party Non-Instructional Contracts
4:60-AP2, E	Checklist for Third Party Non-Instructional Emergency Contacts
4:70-AP	Resource Conservation
4:110-AP3	School Bus Safety Rules
4:140-AP	Fines, Fees and Charges - Waiver of Student Fees
4:170-AP1	Comprehensive Safety and Security Plan
4:170-AP2, E3	Letter to Parents/Guardians About Disruptive Social Media Apps; Dangers
4:175-AP1	Criminal Offender Notification Laws; Screening
4:190-AP1	Targeted School Violence Prevention Program
4:190, AP2	Threat Assessment Team (TAT)
5:10-AP	Workplace Accommodations for Nursing Mothers
5:120-AP2	Employee Conduct Standards
5:220-AP	Substitute Teachers
6:60-AP1	Comprehensive Health Education Program
6:60-AP1, E1	Request to Examine Materials; Statutory Opt-Outs
6:60-AP2	Comprehensive Personal Health and Safety and Sexual Health Education Program (National Sex Education Standards (NSES))
6:60-AP3	Developmentally Appropriate Consent Education
6:135-AP	Accelerated Placement Program Procedures
6:260-AP	Responding to Complaints About Curriculum, Instructional Materials, and Programs
7:150-AP	Managing Agency and Law Enforcement Requests
7:150-AP, E	Record of Agency and Law Enforcement Requests
7:190-AP3	Guidelines for Reciprocal Reporting of Offenses Committed by Students
7:190-AP6	Guidelines for Investigating Sexting Allegations
7:190-AP7	Student Discipline Guidelines
7:225-AP1	Supporting Students Who are Parents, Expectant Parents, of Victims of Domestic or Sexual Violence
7:290-AP	Resource Guide for Implementation of Suicide and Depression Awareness and Prevention Program
7:340-AP1	School Student Records
7:340-AP1, E1	Notice to Parents/Guardians and Students of Their Rights Concerning a Student's School Records
8:30-AP	Definition of Child Sex Offender
8:95-AP	Parental Involvement
2:20-E	Waiver and Modification Request Resource Guide
2:250-E2	Immediately Available District Public Records and Web-Posted Reports and Records.
3:60-E	Event Reporting and Notice Requirements for Building Principals Concerning School Safety and Security

- 6:300-E2 State Law Graduation Requirements
- 6:300-E3 Form for Exemption from Financial Aid Completion
- 6:310-E Class Substitution Request
- 7:190-E3 Memorandum of Understanding

Members voting - Silva, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Lienemann, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Christy, “aye”, motion.

11. GCSD9 BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT EXPECTATIONS; Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Bradley, upon the recommendation of the administration, approve the expectations that were developed during the training with IASB at the October 14, 2025, Special Board Meeting

Members voting - Silva, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Lienemann, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Christy, “aye”, motion

12. 6TH HOUR ASSIGNMENT; SPECIAL EDUCATION GCHS; Motion by Member Curran, seconded by Member Silva, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve 6th Hour Assignment for Staci Rollins retroactive due to class scheduling which caused an overage.

Members voting - Silva, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Lienemann, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Christy, “aye”, motion

13. 6TH HOUR ASSIGNMENT; SPECIAL EDUCATION CJHS; Motion by Member Lienemann, seconded by Member Silva, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve 6th hour assignment for Kelley Wallace retroactive due to an extended teacher absence, the need to combine classroom and Ms. Wallace not receiving a prep period.

Members voting - Silva, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Lienemann, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Christy, “aye”, motion

14. 6TH HOUR ASSIGNMENT; WORK CO-OP LAKE ESSC; Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve 6th hour assignment for Candice Parker to all them to offer a Work Co-Op class to high school students.

Members voting - Silva, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Lienemann, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Christy, “aye”, motion

15. 6TH HOUR ASSIGNMENT; AMERICAN EDUCATION GCHS; Motion by Member Silva, seconded by Member Christy, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve 6th hour assignment for Kim Lignoul. GCHS to offer an American Education class for students’ interest in pursuing a career in education. The 6th hour assignment is paid through the Education Grant.

Members voting - Silva, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Lienemann, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Christy, “aye”, motion

16. CONSIDERATION OF TAX LEVY RESOLUTION AND TRUTH -IN – TAXATION HEARING; Motion by Member Curran, seconded by Member Lienemann, upon the recommendation of the administration, to adopt the Resolution setting the 2025 Levy.

Members voting - Silva, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Lienemann, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Christy, “aye”, motion

17. SCHOOL ERP PRO MODULES ADDITIONS; Motion by Member Venne, seconded by Member Silva, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the purchase of module enhancements to School ERP Pro.

Members voting - Silva, “aye”, Bradley “aye”, Stacy, “aye”, Curran, “aye”, Lienemann, “aye”, Venne, “aye”, and Christy, “aye”, motion

18. REPORTS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS; the following reports were given

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT {FOIA} REQUESTS;
(for review only)

The Freedom of Information Act Requests listed below and on the GCSD9 website were handled by Administration:

We received two requests under the Freedom of Information Act during the period of November 12, 2025 through December 2, 2025.

The first request was received on November 17, 2025 from David Eisenberg of Loftus & Eisenberg, Ltd. He requested the following information:

- Procurement documents for the Granite City High School Roof Replacement project. Please also provide all bids/proposals, all related presentation materials, all contract documents, and all criteria used or created for evaluating the bids/proposals.
- Procurement documents for Granite City High School HVAC project. Please also provide all bids/proposals, all related presentation materials, all contract, and all criteria used or created for evaluating the bids/proposals.
- For any contracts/projects with Trane, please provide: all procurement documents, bids/proposals, related presentation materials, contract.

The second request was received on November 26, 2025 from Kyrie Reitz of Mackinac Center Public Policy. He requested the following information:

- The number of people (union members) who are having dues withdrawn from their paycheck.
- The total number of people covered by collective bargaining agreements (union contracts).
- Please provide this information for the most recent pay period in November of 2025.

The requests were handled by Administration.



Eric C. Stacy, President
Board of Education
Community Unit School District #9



Erica L. Venne, Secretary
Board of Education
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