



LEWISTON-PORTER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

4061 Creek Road
Youngstown, NY 14174

April 13, 2026, Work Session - Budget Workshop - Regular Board Meeting

OUR MISSION One Purpose. Your Pathway. Our Promise. OUR VISION Our PURPOSE is to ensure that when students leave Lewiston-Porter they will be ready to face the world with confidence in themselves and what they can contribute. While students are here they will be challenged to grow along their PATHWAY and discover their personal best because we PROMISE to give them our best.	Work Session Budget Workshop Regular Board Meeting Board Approved Minutes at the 4/27/2026 Board Meeting April 13, 2026, 6:00 pm Boardroom, Community Resource Center
Board of Education: Tessa Connelly, Vice Board President (2024-2027) Chris Bragdon (2025-2028) Annie Huntington (2025-2028) Sara Ohanessian (2024-2027) Susan Rhodenizer (2025-2028) Absent: Joseph J. Palermo, Board President (2023-2026)	Superintendent of Schools: Paul J. Casseri Asst. Supt. for Admin. Services: Scott M. Hoot District Clerk: Marisa Iagallo-Barile

CALL TO ORDER		
Call to Order	The Board Vice President called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.	Mrs. Connley
Acceptance of Agenda	RESOLVED , that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education accept the Agenda for April 13, 2026. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to accept the agenda.	Approved, CARRIED 5-0
PRESENTATION		
Budget Workshop	Budget Adoption Presentation	Mr. Hoot Mr. Casseri
NEW BUSINESS		
Approval of the Adoption of the 2026-2027 Budget	RESOLVED , that the Board of Education of the Lewiston-Porter Central School District hereby adopts the budget in the amount of \$58,281,991 for the fiscal year 2026-2027, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and said amount shall be presented for vote on May 19, 2026, Annual District Meeting Vote. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Bragdon to approve NA-1.	NA-1 Approved, CARRIED 5-0
Approval of the 2026 - 2027 Property Tax Report Card	RESOLVED , that the Lewiston-Porter Board of Education hereby approve the 2026-2027 Property Tax Report Card for submission to the New York State Education Department as submitted by the Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Ohanessian to approve NA-2.	NA-2 Approved, CARRIED 5-0



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Approval for Emergency Pesticide Application	This resolution is to request the Authorization of an emergency pesticide emergency application at designated areas across the Lewiston-Porter Central School District Campus BE IT RESOLVED, that all emergency treatment of school facilities will occur in targeted areas of the district. Applications will only occur during no school activity times, further, application to sports fields will only occur during non-sport season periods of time. At no time will pesticides be used on active playfields or playgrounds. Background information: New York State enacted Chapter 85 of the Laws of 2010. This new law contained limitations regarding pesticide use on playing fields and playgrounds at schools and daycare centers. Specifically, schools and daycare centers are prohibited from using pesticides unless it is deemed to be an emergency situation at which time an exception may be granted to the school district by the appropriate entity. The New York State Education Department has identified school Boards of Education as the appropriate entity to make this emergency determination for public school districts. Each determination is applicable to a single application. Pertinent data: on April 14, 2026 review of the condition of the District fields and ground occurred. The purpose of the review was to determine the safety of the condition of the fields and grounds. Upon close inspection of the grounds and specifically at the cross country track, soccer and baseball fields, it was determined that there were several different types of growths that present long-term safety issues as they create uneven surfaces for athletes contributing to sprains, tears, and pulls. Specifically, we have an infestation of Digitaria sanguinalis, Stellaria media, Taraxacum, and Cirsium. In addition to the athletic concerns, there are health concerns that these infestations attract stinging and boring insects including bees, wasps, and ticks. A review of our grounds also revealed poison ivy and poison oak in several areas. Last year we had several reports of ticks found in some of the outfield areas and track event areas, as well as the cross country track area, which will require one or two pesticide treatments. The treatment period for these types of infestations is spring and summer. It is, therefore, requested that the Board of Education make an emergency determination allowing treatment of Herbicides and or pesticides to the soccer fields and baseball areas as well as other designated areas in need of treatment. The pesticide/herbicide will be sprayed on by a certified applicator and all required notifications will be completed as is necessary under the applicable law. After application, it is recommended that students be kept off of the field for a minimum of two days. The District will follow this procedure. Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Rhodenizer to approve NA-3.	NA-3 Approved, CARRIED 5-0
ADJOURNMENT		
Adjournment	Motion made by Connelly, seconded by Huntington to adjourn the Public meeting at 6:40 PM.	Approved, CARRIED 5-0

Marisa Iagallo-Barile
District Clerk, Marisa Iagallo-Barile