

The Tredyffrin/Easttown Board of School Directors met in regular session at Conestoga High School, 200 Irish Road, Berwyn, PA, on the above date.

Members present: Dr. Roberta Hotinski, Todd Kantorczyk, Dr. Julie K. Mesaros, Maryann Piccioni, Nicole Scherer, Sue Tiede, Rachel Weil and Dr. Henry Zink

Members absent: Kenneth Hong

Student Representatives: Maggie Neary and Lucy Salata

Others in attendance:

Dr. Richard Gusick, Superintendent
 Arthur J. McDonnell, Business Manager/Secretary
 Richard Livergood, Assistant Business Manager
 Christina Gallagher, Solicitor
 Dr. Anthony Stevenson, Director of Human Resources
 Dr. Chris Groppe, Director of Safety and Student Services
 Nicole Roy, Director of Special Education
 Dr. Wendy Towle, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Professional Learning
 Mark Cataldi, Director of Assessment and Accountability
 Dr. Mike Szymendera, Director of Educational Program
 Dr. Patrick Gately, Curriculum Supervisor
 Dr. Todd Parker, Principal, Devon
 Michele Staves, Principal, Hillside

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag

Reports from Student Representatives and Other Invited Speakers

Senior Elective Experience	Spring Sports	AP Exams	Keystone Exams	Spring Music Concerts
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Student and Staff Highlights

Devon Elementary School Students Demonstrate Character Traits
 Devon Elementary School Students Recognized for Demonstrating “Grit”
 Devon Elementary School Students Lead New Students on Tours
 Devon Elementary School Students Volunteer throughout the School
 Hillside Elementary School Students Host Building Tours
 Hillside Elementary School Running Club Builds Energy and Community
 Hillside Elementary School Students Lead with Kindness
 T/E School District Teachers Receive 2026 Citadel Heart of Learning Awards

Announcement of Additional Agenda Items – None

Public Participation from District residents and District taxpayers regarding any announced Additional Agenda Items and Items on the Consent Agenda – None

Board Action Regarding Amendment of Agenda to Include Additional Agenda Items, from Section V – None

Consent Agenda

Approve Board and Board Committee Meeting Minutes

The Board of School Directors approved the minutes of the March 23, 2026 Regular School Board Meeting, March 3, 2026 Policy Committee Meeting, March 12, 2026 Education Committee Meeting, March 9, 2026 Finance Committee Meeting, March 9, 2026 Budget Workshop I, and the March 10, 2026 Facilities Committee Meeting.

Receive Financial Reports for March 2026

The Board of School Directors received and approved payment of current invoices and payroll as stated below:

FURTHER, the Treasurer is authorized to pay current invoices and payroll from the General Fund not to exceed the amount of \$37,000,000.00 for the month of May.

FURTHER, that the Treasurer was authorized and therefore did pay invoices and payroll from the General Fund in the actual amount \$15,096,899.62 for the month of March.

Routine Personnel Actions

Resignations/Releases/Retirements

The Board of School Directors acknowledged the following resignations/releases/retirements:

Fortunata Colbert, custodian, Maintenance, retirement, effective 5/1/26

Deborah Kershinski, custodian, T/E Middle, retirement, effective 7/6/26

Susan Lee, Information Technology Specialist, TEAO, retirement, effective 9/11/26

Vera Zinavenka, general kitchen worker, Devon Elementary, resignation, effective 4/10/26

Leaves of Absence

The Board of School Directors approved the following leave of absence in accordance with policies 4200; 4220; 4600 and 4610:

Emily McGready, teacher, Conestoga High, full-year sabbatical for the 2026-27 school year

Appointments

The Board of School Directors approved the following appointments and changes in position and/or location:

Carolina Antonini, summer custodian, District, at an hourly rate of \$23.00, 7/1/26 \$23.75 per hour, effective 6/17/26 to 8/21/26*

Emily Arnot, Head Field Hockey Coach, Conestoga High, Step 1, with a stipend of \$5,750, effective 8/17/26*

Angelo Capetola, Head Boys Soccer Coach, Conestoga High, Step 1, with a stipend of \$5,750, effective 8/17/26*

Olivia Defusco, Athletic Trainer, District, salary based and prorated on an annual salary of \$60,000, effective 8/1/26*

Ferdinand Ferraro, summer crew/custodian, New Eagle Elementary, at an hourly rate of \$23.00, 7/1/26 increase to \$23.75 per hour, effective 6/17/26 to 8/21/26*

Timothy M. King, summer crew/custodian, Valley Forge Middle, at an hourly rate of \$15.08, effective 6/17/26 to 8/21/26*

Theodore Mostellar, Athletic Trainer, District, salary based and prorated on an annual salary of \$60,000, effective 8/1/26*

Lisa Saddler, substitute general kitchen worker, District, at an hourly rate of \$16.69, effective 5/1/26*

Catherine Scott, crossing guard, District, at an hourly rate of \$18.79, effective 4/27/26*

Christopher Smith, custodian, change of location to TEAO, Maintenance & NOC, effective 4/20/26

Peipei Sun, general kitchen worker substitute, District, at an hourly rate of \$16.69, effective 4/6/26*

Christianne Switucha, summer crew/custodian, New Eagle Elementary, at an hourly rate of \$23.00, 7/1/26 increase to \$23.75 per hour, effective 6/17/26 to 8/21/26*

Charles Wildey, summer crew/painting, District, at an hourly rate of \$15.08, effective 6/17/26 to 8/21/26*

Yun Kee Yu, tutor, 2026 ESY Program, at an hourly rate of \$55.00

* Employment contingent upon appropriate Personnel processing and State and Federal requirements.

Probationary Wage Adjustment

The Board of School Directors approved the following wage adjustment consistent with the collective bargaining agreement for the following employee who completed his 90-day probation period:

Michael Shaw, custodian, Devon Elementary, effective 4/17/26

Volunteer Report

That the Board of School Directors acknowledged with appreciation the contributions of the following school volunteers:

BEAUMONT ELEMENTARY**Library**

Sadie Atkins	Bridgid Burkert	Ashley Bushnell	Neeraj Chopra
Rachel Christakis	Moyna DeFelice	Jieqiong Ding	Rachel D'Orsaneo
Hannah Fusco	Katherine Gibbons	Lauren Holt	Elizabeth Holtz
Virginia Langloss	Wan Chen Lin	Erin Lusk	Stephanie McCauley
Amanda McClendon	Heather McConnell	Margaret McDowell	Alicia McGill
Maria Pagiotas	Elizabeth Patterson	Carrie Ploppert	Karen Scorzetti
Zhenhao Shi	Colleen Smith	Michelle Spinazzola	Josette Tomety-Fotzeu
Yimin Wang	Kelly Waterman	Amanda Wollick	Chaonan Zhang

Mystery Reader

Maureen Ayres	Ryan Blattenberger	Katherine Christiano	Harshitha Hegde
Ashley Lynam	Tyler Magura	David Midgley	William Miller
Thinakaran Murugesan	Jasmyne Pogue	Mary Salvitti	Meredith Salvo
Karen Scorzetti	Ryan Scott	Lauren Valente	Caichen Zhong

School Store

Stina Carter	Amanda McClendon	Margaret McDowell	Carolyn Moralle
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Cultural Arts

Tara Diamond

Beautification

Sarah Carl	Jill Hardgrove
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Yearbook

Tina Joseph

HILLSIDE ELEMENTARY**Kindergarten VIP****Student Of the Week)**

Joe Cappello	Melanie Eisenhower	Melissa Murrell	Song Zhang
Chermaine See			

Kindergarten Guest**Reader**

Ivy Giel

Grade 1 Guest Reader

Caroline Cheung	Dlyndon Coleman	Alexandra Duplan	Tiffany Garofolo
Casey Horton	Jenifer Kemmerer	Audrey Long	Eric Long
Julia Long	Morgan Long	June Penrod	Siyuan Yin

Grade 3-Guest Reader

Fredrik Begic	Clarissa Herder	Minh Le	Ann Marie Snyder
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Grade 3 Book Fair & Art Show

Toni Armstrong	Sarah Brown	Katharine Freyhof	Amanda Green
Michaela Johnson	Lauren Jones		

Grade 3 – Art Show

Nicole Bligh	Sara Brown	Het Desai-Shah	Jennifer Ellis
Katie Fuller	Deepa Gokulnath	Alie Reid	
Het Desai-Shah	Jen Trujillo		

PTO Volunteers

Toni Armstrong	Nicole Bligh	Leah Davey	June Penrod
Alie Reid	Quynh Tran		

NEW EAGLE ELEMENTARY**PTO Representatives**

Becky Daly	Stacey Harbeson	Michele Hinken	Lauren Lentz
Julie Liberi	Gina MacNeill	Jenna Pereira	Micheline Taptich
Lauren Tiede	Katie Tzorfas		

PTO Committee

Brooke Alstein	Allegra Angus	Mary-Catherine Barrett	Elissa Benedette
Lindsey Brinkmann	Kelly Brower	Kate Carlson	Andrea Chowansky
Megan Costello	Casey Devlin	Katie Garayoa	Lauren Golden
Ruth Graziano	Alexandra Hindle	Beth Huertas	Kristen King
Kim Langston	Katie Lieb	Lauren Lentz	Alyson Lotman
Sarah Luccaro	Kathleen Lukes	Zariella Maloney	Rachel Miller
Angela Monger	Amanda Neill	Cynthia Olster	Elizabeth Pepe
Erica Repucci	Amy Roberts	Christine Toto	Kristin Toto
Cheryl Tourish	Kristen VanDeBoe	Liz Verde	Kirsten Walton

Homeroom Coordinators

Evan Benn	Jazmin Buchanan	Sarah Caffrey	Lindsey Carden
Kate Carlson	Andrea Chowansky	Jennifer Clerkin	Alison Diamond
Kate Ettingoff	Jocelyn Good	Elizabeth Griesser	Dana Hibbard
Alexandra Hindle	Michelle Larkin	Alex Malloy	Ashlee Milnes
Angelina Monger	EJ Pepe	Bridget Phillips	Amy Roberts
Lindsay Van Wagner	Kirsten Walton	Christine Yelovich	

Library Volunteers

Annie Baker	Monica Baribault	Mary-Catherine Barrett	Elissa Benedette
Stephanie Blaney	Lindsay Brinkman	Julie Burge	Sarah Caffrey
Kristi DeStefano	Kate Ettingoff	Catherine Flaherty	Laura Grill
Jocelyn Good	Alexandra Hindle	Beth Huertas	Alison Hunter
Elizabeth Landers	Van Le	Kelly Loscalzo	Sharelle Low
Sarah Luccaro	Brittany McCabe	Mirna Mejia	Rachel Miller
Ashlee Milnes	Amber Nathanson	Caitlin O'Donovan	EJ Pepe
Archana Ramachandra	Amy Roberts	Anne Roytman	Sara Serbun
Tara Sexton	Meg Shurak	Monica Smith	Julia Sturniolo
Kristin Toto	Nicole Tuohey	Brooke Weaver	Qiang Yang
Caimei Zang			

School Store

Alexandra Hindle

Fun Run

Annie Baker	Maggie Baker	Katsiaryna Belavokaya	Evan Benn
Kate Carlson	Elizabeth Griesser	Dana Hibbard	Alexandra Hindle

Julie Liberi
Christine Toto

Meghan McArdle
Christine Yelovich

Elizabeth Pepe

Shantell Scott

VALLEY FORGE ELEMENTARY

Birthday Board

Lauren DiFelice

Eyes of a Child and Lobby Decorating

Claudine Cederroth

Margaux Kline

Deepti Naresh

JJ Patwari

Library

Lauren Bauer
Lesley Farrell

Jessica Burgess
Svanborg
Gudmundsdottir

Alissa Cerny
Karin Hellberg

Lauren DiFelice
Shuting Huang

Kate Ineson
Laura Lynds
Wendy Neo

Tola Jordan
Stacy McAllister
Sarah O'Brien
Jungsook Yoon

Shannon Klagholz
Andi McKeown
Jena Riley

Sojung Lim
Ashley Means
Lauren Satchell

Amanda Whitehead

Chaperones for Kimmel Center

Marie-Ange Chaville
Megan Sabat

Lisa Griffin
Christina Scantland

Margaux Kline
Amanda Whitehead

Mark Sabat

Garden Clean-Up

Hsin-Te Chang
Laura Lynds

Jay Darley
Megan Valocchi

Janet Iemolo

Tola Jordan

Cultural Arts

Shannon Klagholz

Cyrano Parsard

Yearbook

Tola Jordan

Margaux Kline

Jena Riley

Executive Board

Christina Bair

Padmavathi
Bhagavathula

Ruth Chu

Chris Dautrich

Karin Hellberg
Shannon Klagholz
Ashlee Oliver
Jena Riley

Tola Jordan
Margaux Kline
Ria Parsard
Lauren Weigl

Ikuko Karacsony
Chen Yi Lin
JJ Patwari

Pooja Kaushik
Kara O'Brien
Jessica Rennard

CONESTOGA HIGH

Main Office

Pamela Aviles
Beth Fogarty
Kristina Phipps

Anaid Calvitti
Amanda Ivory
Leah Raup

Susan Canas
Kate Miller
Nikole Salata

Saanjh Dubey
Autumn O'Reilly
Lindsey Weber

Student Services

Saanjh Dubey

Margaret Mackenzie

Patty Neeb

Caroline Small

Class Chairs

Tricia Jennings

Amy Lange

Autumn O'Reilly

Nikole Salata

One Poem One Stoga

Christine Arnault

Geisa Arnold

Tricia Brader

Sherry Han

Christine Miller
Leah Raup
Bin Wu

Shilpa Mishra
Shweta Sivaram
Liuyan Zhang

Kelly Myers
Jessica Tinneney

Ashka Pandya
Amanda Wollick

Career Days

Cherie Arabia
Anjali Gupta
Aly Oswald

Christina Carberry
Heather Griner

Elena Chernousova
Alejandra Hertel

Vanessa Gallo
Madhura Mohile

DISTRICT**Weekend Food Program****Sorting & Delivery**

Josie Masella DiZazzo
Julieta Medrano
Amy Saylor

Karen Engelkraut
Amanda Miller
Mark Saylor

Amanda Ivory
Christine Miller
Amanda Wollick

Sandra Mahar
Jena Riley

Year 2026 District Summer Bridge Program Staff

The Board of School Directors approved the staff members listed, at the following rates, to conduct the 2026 District Summer Bridge Program, pending the 2026-27 final budget approval.

Director: \$5,000

Teacher: \$50/hour

Director

Katie Hedenberg

Teachers

Kristin Abell
Justin Beasley-Turner
James Boukalik
Rebecca Ferenchick
Paul Ferris
Patrick Humbert

Kevin McCarthy
Lauren Nordsiek
Keith Nunnelee
Kevin Ruggeri
Jennifer Tyrell

2026 Summer Workshops and Participants

The Board of School Directors approved the following workshops and participants at a rate of \$40 per hour in accordance with School Board Policy #4505 at the negotiated agreement.

2026 SUMMER WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS**ART****High School Art Curricular Collaboration**

Dates: 2 days; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. Matthew Sterenczak

Participants: 2 Participants

Participants will work to develop the scope and sequence for the new Advanced Digital Media Design course.

COUNSELING**Youth Mental Health First Aid**

Dates: 2 days; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. Jacquelyn Rothera

Participants: Up to 20 participants (open to all staff, focus on secondary staff)

Youth Mental Health First Aid is a training available to professional staff in supporting students experiencing mental health concerns. Topics include identification of signs and symptoms of mental health in young people, interacting with a young person in crisis, connecting a young person with professional help, addressing stigma, and youth self-care practices. The training will be conducted by staff from the Chester County Intermediate Unit.

College and Career Transition (CCT) Course**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Mark Cataldi**Participant:** 1 CCT Teacher

The College and Career Transition course is a graduation requirement. Since the state is changing the Career Education and Work Standards starting in the 2026-27 school year, the CCT teacher will make necessary revisions to update the required lessons in our career readiness platform Smart Futures. In addition, the college preparation curriculum resources will be analyzed for reorganization along with the career research activity and mock career fair. Finally, a lesson on resume writing will be created.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Curricular Inquiry Framework**Date:** 1 day; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. Wendy Towle**Participants:** 15 teachers K-12

Participants in this workshop will engage in activities and learning experiences that will help them to further understand how to best use the Curricular Inquiry Framework in designing and implementing lessons and units of study.

ENGLISH / LANGUAGE ARTS

Wonders Workshop Grades K-4**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. Patrick Gately**Participants:** 5 Elementary Teachers and 5 Reading Specialists

Participants will continue to modify Wonders unit assessments for grades K-4 alongside a review of pacing guide alignment, to reflect the use of Wonders 2023 in 1st and 2nd grade for 2026-27 school year.

Elementary Reading Specialist Workshop**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. Patrick Gately**Participants:** 8 Reading Specialists

Participants will research and update resources used in elementary reading support.

ELA PSSA and Keystone Literature Data Analysis**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. Patrick Gately**Participants:** 4 Teachers

Participants will organize and analyze 2026 PSSA ELA and Keystone Literature data to note trends and areas of student strength and development in grades 3-8 and grade 10.

Writing and Reading Strategies Across the Curriculum**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Directors:** Dr. Patrick Gately, Dr. John Mull and Dr. Matthew Sterenczak**Participants:** 10 Teachers (Elementary, Middle, High School)

Participants will adopt the Claim-Evidence-Reason writing framework across all curricular areas to reflect current ELA, Science, and Social Studies standards. Participants will continue to align comprehension strategies across all curricular areas.

Middle School Reading Specialist Workshop**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. Patrick Gately**Participants:** 6 Reading Specialists

Participants will research and update resources used in middle school reading support and intervention.

AP Seminar Curriculum Development**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. Patrick Gately**Participants:** 3 High School Teachers

Participants will continue to develop and modify learning units and assessments for the AP Seminar Course.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

Elementary ELD Curriculum Development**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. Patrick Gately**Participants:** 6 ELD Teachers

Participants will review the ACCESS scores for 2026 and determine placement for students in September. Teachers will review and revise the ELD curriculum for our English Learners.

Secondary ELD Curriculum Development**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. Patrick Gately**Participants:** 4 ELD Teachers

Participants will review the ACCESS scores for 2026 and determine placement for students in September. Teachers will review and revise the ELD curriculum for our English Learners.

EQUITY

Berwyn School Fight Vertical Collaboration**Date:** 1 day; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Directors:** Dr. Matthew Sterenczak and Dr. Patrick Gately**Participants:** Up to 12 participants

Participants in grades 3, 8, and 10 will collaborate to review, enhance, and align their School Fight lessons as students progress through the system and build on their prior learning.

GIFTED

Meeting the Needs of Gifted Learners**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Directors:** Dr. Patrick Gately and Dr. Matthew Sterenczak**Participants:** 8 Gifted Support Teachers

New gifted support teachers will be trained in state regulations and District practices surrounding the identification and education of gifted students. Protocols for conducting GIEP meetings and for communicating with students, teachers, administrators and families about gifted student needs will be reviewed. Participants will examine the full continuum of services available to meet the needs of gifted learners. Those new to gifted support will review forms and processes to guide and document the academic enrichment of gifted learners in T/E, and participants will learn to use PowerSchool GIEP-writing software.

Gifted Advisory Humanities Extensions Curricular Development**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. Matthew Sterenczak**Participants:** Up to 12 participants

Participants will work to develop curriculums for the Year 2 Gifted Advisory Humanities courses for Media Literacy, STEM and Global Studies.

KINDERGARTEN

Full-Day Kindergarten Curriculum Development**Dates:** 4 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. Patrick Gately**Participants:** 5 Kindergarten Teachers

Participants will continue to research, plan, and write curriculum to prepare for the implementation of the full-day kindergarten program in Fall, 2027.

MATH

Middle School Math Curriculum Development**Dates:** 3 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. John Mull**Participants:** 15 Middle School Math Teachers

Participants will develop curriculum guides, scope & sequence documents, lesson materials and assessments to accompany new primary curriculum resources for Math 5 On, Math 6 Ab, and Math 7 On. Participants will also reflect on 2025-26 experiences in Math 5 Ab and Math 6 On and make any necessary revisions to scope & sequence documents for those courses.

Elementary Math Curriculum Development**Dates:** 3 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. John Mull**Participants:** 25 Elementary School Math Teachers and Math Specialists

Participants will develop curriculum guides, scope & sequence, lesson materials and assessments to accompany new primary curriculum resources for 2nd Above, 3rd On, 4th On, and 4th Above Math classes.

CHS Math Analysis X**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. John Mull**Participants:** 3 Math Analysis X Teachers

Participants will meet to revise Math Analysis X curriculum materials to reflect the use of a new textbook.

CHS AP Statistics**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. John Mull**Participants:** 3 AP Statistics Teachers

Participants will meet to revise AP Statistics curriculum materials to reflect College Board course changes and the use of a new textbook.

Math PSSA and Keystone Algebra**Dates:** 2 day; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 12:00pm

Director: Dr. John Mull

Participants: 8 teachers

Participants will review preliminary 2026 PSSA Math and Keystone Algebra score reports and organize data so results can be further analyzed by full teams.

Math Support

Dates: 2 days; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. John Mull

Participants: 8 Elementary and Middle School Math Specialists

Participants will meet to review supplemental resources, plan for benchmark assessments, and design Tier 1 and Tier 2 interventions to support student achievement in grades K-8.

CHS Data Science

Dates: 2 days; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. John Mull

Participants: 5 CHS Math and Computer Science Teachers

Participants will meet to review Data Science resources and draft a curriculum outline for a new Data Science elective to be offered at CHS in 2027-28 school year.

Grades K-1 Math- Preparing for Benchmark Assessments

Date: 1 day; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. John Mull

Participants: 5 Kindergarten Teachers, 5 new First Grade Teachers and 1 Elementary Math Support Teacher

Participants in the Math Benchmark pilot, and any new first grade teachers will engage in Professional Development activities associated with Early Math Benchmark Assessments: how to administer and score the benchmark assessments, how to generate and interpret reports, and how to use available materials to design station activities that support ongoing student growth in mathematics.

MUSIC

High School Music Curricular Development

Dates: 2 days; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. Matthew Sterenczak

Participants: 3 CHS Music Teachers

Participants will work to develop the scope and sequence for the new Music Listening Lab course. Participants will also work to adjust the scope and sequence of Studio Session as that course will be moving from a semester course to a full year ensemble.

SCIENCE

K-12 Science Sustainability, Research and Data Integration Development

Dates: 2 days; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. John Mull

Participants: 20 Science Teachers (2 representatives from each grade K-8 and 2 CHS Envi Sci teachers)

Participants will review the MWEE Framework (Meaningful Watershed Educational Experience) for addressing new Environmental Literacy and Sustainability standards through student-centered scientific investigations. Data from TESD Sustainability efforts will be reviewed and incorporated into classroom activities, along with other scientific resources for interpreting data to draw appropriate conclusions.

Elementary Science Curriculum Development**Date:** 1 day; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. John Mull**Participants:** 25 Elementary Science Teachers (1 per grade per school)

Participants will reflect on experiences from the initial year of implementation of the Smithsonian Science program to address new PA-STEELS Standards and make revisions to grade level curriculum guides.

Middle School Science Curriculum Development**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. John Mull**Participants:** 15 Middle School Science Teachers

Participants will reflect on experiences from the initial year of implementation of the Inspire Science resources to address new PA-STEELS Standards, and then make revisions to grade level curriculum guides. Participants will design activities that strengthen students' use of C-E-R (Claim-Evidence-Reasoning) framework, and develop assessments by grade level.

CHS Biology Keystone**Date:** 1 day; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. John Mull**Participants:** 8 CHS Biology Teachers

Participants will reflect on experiences from the initial year of implementation of new PA-STEELS Standards, review assessment resources, and make revisions to unit assessments and cumulative review activities.

CHS Forensic Science**Date:** 1 day; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. John Mull**Participants:** 3 Forensic Science Teachers

Participants will meet to revise Forensic Science curriculum materials to reflect the use of a new textbook.

SOCIAL STUDIES

8th Grade Social Studies Updated Textbook Curricular Development**Dates:** 2 days; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. Matthew Sterenczak**Participants:** Up to 6 participants

Participants will work to align the 8th grade social studies scope and sequence with the updated version of the text Exploring Civics and Economics.

1st Grade Social Studies Curricular Development**Date:** 1 day; TBD**Time:** 8:00am – 1:00pm**Director:** Dr. Matthew Sterenczak**Participants:** Up to 6 participants

Participants will collaborate to develop, modify and enhance existing lessons in the 1st grade social studies curriculum.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Essentialization of Curriculum –Student specific (3-4)**Dates:** 5 days; TBD**Time:** 4 hours per day

Facilitator: Carolyn Macrina

Participants: 6 Select Special Education Teachers and Regular Education Teachers

Participants will work under the guidance of Megan Klementisz to develop essential standards worksheets for specific students as they transition grade levels.

Intensive Teaching Preparation

Dates: 3 days; TBD

Time: 4 hours per day

Facilitator: Lisa Snyder

Participants: 10 Special Education Teachers – Autistic Support and Life Skills

Participants will prepare for implementation of Intensive Teaching for students with intensive needs.

Safety Care

Date: 1 day; TBD

Time: 6 hours

Facilitator: Carolyn Macrina

Participants: 20 participants

Participants will take part in updated Safety Care training designed to support the behavioral needs of students in the school setting.

Summer Support

Dates: July and August; TBD

Time: 60 hours

Facilitator: Nicole Roy

Participants: Teacher on Special Assignment

The participant will support extended school year and plans for fall scheduling for students with IEPs.

Curriculum Development at CHS

Dates: 2 days; TBD

Time: 4 hours per day

Facilitator: Lisa Snyder

Participants: 20 Special Education Teachers

Participants will engage in collaborative work on new curriculum and develop instructional plans to refine programming for the 2026–27 school year.

Schedule Review Teams at CHS/TEMS/VFMS

Dates: 3 days; TBD

Time: 4 hours per day

Facilitator: Lisa Snyder

Participants: 6 High School and 6 Middle School Special Education Teachers

Participants will review student schedules prior to them being released to parents.

Augmentative and Alternative Communication Systems

Dates: 2 days; TBD

Time: 4 hours per day

Facilitator: Carolyn Macrina

Participants: 15 District Speech Therapists, and Select Special Education Teachers

Participants will have the opportunity to try out various AAC programs used in the district with our students; learn ways to use and encourage teams to use in their classrooms and with different activities; model the use of these communication systems and learn how to use Aided Language Stimulation; ways to collect data and use data to determine future goals and targets, and use of computer programs that can assist with visuals for use of the AAC.

Structured Literacy

Dates: TBD

Time: 12 hours per participant

Facilitator: Nicole Roy

Participants: 20 Structured Literacy Instructors

Participants will create progress monitoring resources, develop multisensory activities that reinforce phonemic awareness, decoding, and fluency, and complete continuing education requirements for recertification in Orton-Gillingham.

STEM, TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING

Elementary STEM- Curriculum Guides and Extension Activities

Date: 1 day; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. John Mull

Participants: 5 Elementary STEM Teachers

Participants will reflect on year one of program implementation and then revise Grades K-4 STEM curriculum documents and activities for 2026-27 school year.

Middle School STEM- Curriculum Guides and Extension Activities

Date: 1 day; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. John Mull

Participants: 5 Middle School STEM Teachers

Participants will reflect on year one of program implementation and then revise Grades 5-8 STEM curriculum documents and activities for 2026-27 school year.

Computer Science Fundamentals

Dates: 2 days; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. John Mull

Participants: 2 CHS Computer Science Teachers

Participants will develop Curriculum Guide and lesson activities for the new Computer Science Fundamentals course at CHS in the 2026-27 school year.

Mechanical & Electrical Engineering

Date: 1 day; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. John Mull

Participants: 2 Engineering Teachers

Participants will explore current trends in integrated mechanical-electrical systems, sensor technology, microcontrollers, and automated processes to update course content, lab activities and project pathways.

Engineering Design Production and Automation

Date: 1 day; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. John Mull

Participants: 2 Engineering Teachers

Participants will redesign project-based learning activities and project-based assessments to broaden utilization of the design lab's equipment and provide additional opportunities for open-ended student work.

Television Studio

Date: 1 day; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. John Mull

Participant: 1 TV Studio Teacher

The participant will integrate the CHS Auditorium's newly installed remote cameras into TV Studio production work. The teacher will work with the network engineer and outside contractor to learn the

associated technology interface and configure remote cameras to communicate with the TV Studio TriCaster System for use in TV Studio course activities.

STUDENT CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

Peer Mediation

Dates: August 4-6, 2026

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. Nicole Jolly

Participants: 2 teachers, 1 school counselor

Peer Mediation will meet to plan and prepare for the 2026-2027 school year. Meetings will take place with both the Executive Board and general Peer Mediation members. In addition to the preparation for the school year, peer mediators will also be trained to be a FROG, STAR and PAL.

STUDENT SERVICES

Post-Incident Recovery Planning

Dates: 2 days; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. Chris Groppe

Participants: District Mental Health Specialists

Participants will continue work on the post-incident recovery plan including the digitization of the plan for more ready access by stakeholders.

Middle School UNIT/E

Dates: 2 days; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Directors: Dr. Anthony Dilella and Mr. Matthew Gibson

Participants: 6 Middle School Teachers

The UNIT/E curricular team has now completed the first 4 -year cycle of programming at TEMS. Participants will meet this summer to evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of our program and make necessary adjustments to the curriculum.

WORLD LANGUAGES

AP French, German, Spanish, Italian, and Latin Curriculum Updates

Dates: 2 days; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. Patrick Gately

Participants: 6 World Languages Teachers

Participants will review revised course and exam descriptions provided by the College Board, including new project manuals. Participants will align the project manuals to current curriculum scheduling and will update language-specific courses.

YEAR 2 MENTORSHIP

Year 2 Mentor Planning

Date: 1 day; TBD

Time: 8:00am – 1:00pm

Director: Dr. Matthew Sterenczak

Participants: Up to 16 participants

Participants will include building level year two mentors. Participants will reflect on the first year of a two-year mentor program and will develop enhancements for the larger, incoming year two cohort.

2026 Flexible Instructional Day Application

The Board of School Directors approved the 2026 Flexible Instructional Day (FID) renewal application to be submitted to PDE by June 1, 2026. This application will allow the District the option of using FIDs during the school years from 2026-2029.

2026 i-Ready Classroom Mathematics Program

The Board of School Directors approved i-Ready Classroom Mathematics Program (2024) published by Curriculum Associates for use in Grades K-5 across all elementary and middle schools.

Redistricting Committee External Facilitator

The Board of School Directors approved Dr. Tom Tobin to serve as the external facilitator for the Redistricting Committee in an amount not to exceed \$7,000.

Chester County Intermediate Unit Budgets for 2026-27 School Year

The Board of School Directors approved the 2026-27 Chester County Intermediate Unit Core Services Budget of \$50,180,724 with member district contributions of \$603,727 of which T/E's share will be \$71,328.

The Board of School Directors approved the 2026-27 Chester County Intermediate Unit Occupational Education Budget of \$34,574,320 with member district contributions at \$28,016,460 of which T/E's share will be \$935,784.

Sports/Activity and Student Accident Insurance

The Board of School Directors approved all interscholastic sports/activity and catastrophic insurance coverages be purchased for all schools at a cost of \$69,325.

And further, that a primary plan of student accident insurance be offered on a voluntary basis at the following rates:

<u>Voluntary Plan Rates:</u>	<u>School Time Coverage:</u>	<u>24-Hour Coverage:</u>
\$250,000 Accident	\$28 per student per year	\$124 per student per year
Medical Expense K-12		

Appointment of Solicitor

The Board of School Directors appointed Edward A. Diasio, of the firm Wisler Pearlstine, LLP as District solicitor for the term of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028 at \$195.00 per hour for partners and senior education law attorneys, \$220 an hour for employee benefits, Title IX matters, property tax appeals, land development and other real estate matters and technology and construction contract review, \$175.00 per hour for other associate attorneys, \$125.00 per hour for special education specialist attorneys, \$115.00 per hour for assessment specialist attorneys, and \$105.00 per hour for paralegal services.

Request for Proposal

The Board of School Directors awarded a three-year contract to the following successful bid:

General Fund RFP 2026-27, 2027-28 and 2028-29

Integrated Pest Management System

-- Aardvark Pest Control Services, Inc.

Annual cost: \$9,576. This award is contingent upon the approved budgets for each year of the proposal.

TESD District-wide Roof Assessment Fee Proposal Letter

The Board of School Directors approved the fee proposal letter between Heckendorn Shiles Architects and the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District for district-wide roof assessment at a cost not to exceed \$78,100.

Change Orders

The Board of School Directors approved the following change orders:

2026 Bid Package #1 – HVAC Renovations HES, VFES, TEMS, VFMS, CHS & NOC

GC-01	Donald E. Reisinger Inc.	\$7,131.70
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Bear Hill Elementary School

GC-14	Bancroft Construction	\$ 5,068.01
GC-15	Bancroft Construction	\$ 4,989.60
GC-16	Bancroft Construction	\$ 1,511.19
GC-17	Bancroft Construction	\$ 293.00
GC-18	Bancroft Construction	\$56,484.00

CHS Athletic Fields Project

EC-01	A.N. Lynch Co., Inc.	\$965.00
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Acceptance of Gifts

The Board of School Directors accepted with pleasure and appreciation the following donations:

Front Basin Floor Wildflower Meadow Installation donated by Tredyffrin Library Foundation EAC/Aqua Grant valued at \$840 and the Tredyffrin Environmental Advisory Council Grant valued at \$450 for a total project donation of \$1,290 to the Valley Forge Elementary School.

Ricoh Copier donated by Beaumont Home and School Association to the Beaumont Elementary School valued at \$10,815.

\$5,000 donated by the Tredyffrin Easttown Middle School PTO to the Tredyffrin/Easttown Middle School.

\$2,000 donated by Elizabeth Burlinson to the Hillside Elementary School Food & Nutrition Services.

Administrative Service Agreement with QCC Insurance Company

The Board of School Directors approved the administrative service agreement in the form presented between QCC Insurance Company and Tredyffrin/Easttown School District for the contract year period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029.

Educational Services Agreements

The Board of School Directors approved an Educational Services Agreement for a District student with special needs. This agreement covers reimbursement for legitimate educational services for the 2026-27 and 2027-28 school years, at a total cost not to exceed \$52,093.

The Board of School Directors approved an Educational Services Agreement for a District student with special needs. This agreement covers reimbursement for legitimate educational services for the 2026-27 school year, at a total cost not to exceed \$32,426.

The Board of School Directors approved an Educational Services Agreement for a District student with special needs. This agreement covers reimbursement for legitimate educational expenses at a total cost not to exceed \$3,487.

The Board of School Directors approved an Educational Services Agreement for a District student with special needs. This agreement covers reimbursement for legitimate educational services for the 2026-27 school year, at a total cost not to exceed \$57,300.

The Board of School Directors approved an Educational Services Agreement for a District student with special needs. This agreement covers reimbursement for legitimate educational services for the 2026-27 and 2027-28 school years, at a total cost not to exceed \$142,139.

The Board of School Directors approved an Educational Services Agreement for a District student with special needs. This agreement covers reimbursement for legitimate educational services for the 2026-27 and 2027-28 school years, at a total cost not to exceed \$160,384.

Limited Engagement Agreement with Richard J. Caron Foundation

The Board of School Directors approved the limited engagement agreement between Richard J. Caron Foundation and the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District to provide educational and related services to District students for the 2026-27 school year.

Service Agreement Extension with Chadds Ford Alternacare Inc. d/b/a Criticare

The Board of School Directors approved the service agreement extension between Chadds Ford Alternacare Inc. d/b/a Criticare and the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District to provide healthcare and related services to District students for the 2026-27 school year.

Agreement with Interim Healthcare of Chester, Delaware & Philadelphia Counties

The Board of School Directors approved the agreement between Interim Healthcare of Chester, Delaware & Philadelphia Counties and the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District to provide educational and nursing services to District students for the 2026-27 school year.

Authorization of Diploma

The Board of School Directors granted a Conestoga High School diploma to a student who fulfilled all requirements for graduation as of April 2026.

Policies Recommended for Second Reading

The Board of School Directors adopted the following policies:

Policy 3410: System of Accounts

Policy 3434: Annual Audit

Maryann Piccioni moved, then the motion was seconded, that the Board of School Directors approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion passed 8-0.

Priority Discussion/Action**Adoption of the 2026-2027 Proposed Final Budget**

The Board of School Directors adopts the following resolutions that pertain to the approval of the 2026-2027 Proposed Final Budget submitted by the District's administration:

WHEREAS, a Proposed Final Budget for the 2026-2027 school year has been prepared by the District's administration and submitted to the Board of School Directors for the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District for its consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed and fully considered said Proposed Final Budget; and

WHEREAS, although the Public School Code requires that the Board approve a Proposed Final Budget before it can adopt a Final Budget, such approval does not limit the consideration of further changes prior to adoption of a Final Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 687 of the Public School Code, the Board of School Directors for the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District, Wayne, Chester County, Pennsylvania, hereby approves and adopts the Proposed Final Budget as follows:

1. The Proposed Final Budget for the 2026-2027 school year is in the amount of \$195,583,654 revenue, \$9,278,856 fund balance transfers and \$204,862,510 for appropriations on a tentative basis.

2. Public notice of said Proposed Final Budget will be given at least ten (10) days before its final adoption.
3. The Proposed Final Budget will be printed or otherwise made available for public inspection to all persons who may have an interest therein, twenty (20) days prior to final adoption of the said budget by the Board of School Directors.

Maryann Piccioni moved, then the motion was seconded, that the Board of School Directors approve the adoption of the 2026-2027 Proposed Final Budget.

Business Manager, Arthur J. McDonnell provided a presentation of the Adoption of the 2026-2027 Proposed Final Budget.

Questions from the Board

Dr. Julie K. Mesaros commented on the adoption of the 2026-2027 Proposed Final Budget.

Dr. Roberta Hotinski commented on the adoption of the 2026-2027 Proposed Final Budget.

Public Participation from District Residents and Taxpayers – None

Board Discussion

President Tiede called for Mr. McDonnell to conduct a roll call vote:

Vote

Dr. Roberta Hotinski – Yes

Todd Kantorczyk – Yes

Dr. Julie K. Mesaros – Yes

Maryann Piccioni – Yes

Nicole Scherer – Yes

Sue Tiede – Yes

Rachel Weil – Yes

Dr. Henry Zink – Yes

After the roll call vote, the motion passed 8-0.

Committee and Ambassador Reports

Policy – Rachel Weil

The next meeting will be held at 7:00pm on May 5, 2026, in the TEAO.

Diversity – Dr. Julie K. Mesaros

Finance – Todd Kantorczyk

The next meeting will be held at 7:00pm on May 11, 2026, in the TEAO.

Facilities – Nicole Scherer

The next meeting will be held at 7:00pm on May 12, 2026, in the TEAO.

Education – Dr. Roberta Hotinski

The next meeting will be held at 7:00pm on May 14, 2026, in the TEAO.

Intermediate Unit/Technical School – Maryann Piccioni

Other Actions Under Consideration

Policies Recommended for First Reading

The Board of School Directors approved the following policies, on a first reading basis, as ready for adoption at the next regular meeting:

Policy 3295: District-Initiated Real Estate Tax Assessment Appeals

Policy 7070: Reporting of Theft of or Unlawful Damage to District Property

Policy 8120: Food and Nutrition Services

Questions from the Board – None

Public Participation from District residents and District taxpayers – None

Board Discussion/Deliberation/Action – None

Dr. Julie K. Mesaros moved, then the motion was seconded, that the Board of School Directors approve the above policies on a first reading basis.

The motion passed 8-0.

Public Participation from District residents and District taxpayers regarding any non-agenda matters of concern, official action or deliberation which are or may be before the Board.

Bob DeSimone commented on energy conservation.

Information

School Board Meetings

In accordance with Act 93 of 1998 (Sunshine Law), the Board of School Directors met on the following dates/times in executive session to discuss items in one or more of the following areas: personnel, litigation, legal matters, confidential information, labor relations, real estate, or land acquisition.

Christina Gallagher, Solicitor for the District, stated that the Board of School Directors has not met in Executive Session since the last School Board meeting.

Future School Board Meetings

Tuesday, May 26, 2026, Regular Board Meeting - 7:30pm, at Conestoga High School, 200 Irish Road, Berwyn, PA 19312.

Monday, June 8, 2026, Regular Board Meeting - 7:30pm, at Conestoga High School, 200 Irish Road, Berwyn, PA 19312.

2025-26 Student Participation in Spring Sports

There are 883 secondary students who are involved in T/E's Spring Sports program. This represents 26% of our total secondary student body eligible for participation. A record of student participation by school is included below. Boys Volleyball was introduced as a new sport beginning in the 2025-26 school year.

2025-26 PARTICIPATION IN SPRING SPORTS

SPORT/ACTIVITY	TEMS 7th & 8th Grades	VFMS 7th & 8th Grades	CHS	TOTAL
Baseball	31	29	38	98
Freshman Baseball			16	16
Girls Softball	8	22	21	51
Boys Lacrosse	30	27	50	107
Girls Lacrosse	39	21	44	104
Boys Track	68	64	79	211
Girls Track	44	42	67	153
Boys Rugby			31	31
Girls Rugby			15	15
Crew			45	45

Boys Tennis			32	32
Boys Volleyball			20	20
Total Number of Athletes	220	205	458	883
Total Number of Students	545	598	2251	3394
Percentage	40.37%	34.28%	20.35%	26.02%

Announcements

Maryann Piccioni commented on proposed legislation and ELD night.

Dr. Julie K. Mesaros commented on the CCIU meeting.

Dr. Roberta Hotinski commented on the Redistricting Steering Committee.

Correspondence**Adjournment**

Maryann Piccioni moved, then the motion was seconded to adjourn the meeting.

The motion passed 8-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02pm.

Submitted by,

Arthur J. McDonnell

Board Secretary

(minutes prepared by S. Halley)