



2025-2026 Board of Education

Orchard Park CSD Board Meeting Report

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Board Members in Attendance: Dr. Rogers, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Draves, Mr. Provost, Mr. Romanello, Mrs. Sreniawski, and Miss Dobmeier, student ex-officio. The Board also welcomed Mrs. Andol and Mrs. Klas, Board Members elect to the table as observers.

Welcome to the District!

- Andrew, Beehler, Special Ed Teacher, High School
- Patrick Brown, Laborer, Buildings and Grounds
- Karlea Charnisky, Cleaner, Buildings and Grounds
- Caleigh Fleming, Elementary Teacher, Ellicott Elementary
- Grace Gannon, Senior Clerk Typist, House I, High School
- William Heywood, Bus Driver, Transportation
- Sean Hogan, Special Ed Teacher, High School
- Alison Jackson, School Psychologist, South Davis Elementary
- Paul Konopa, Bus Driver, Transportation
- Lindsey Massara, Elementary Teacher, Ellicott Elementary
- Hayley Nitsche, Special Ed Teacher, Ellicott Elementary
- Connor Pellicane, Special Ed Teacher, Windom Elementary
- Franklin Radder, Cleaner, Buildings and Grounds
- Makenna Walp, Elementary Teacher, Ellicott Elementary
- Jared Wangelin, Special Ed Teacher, Windom Elementary

Congratulations Tenure Recipients

- Kelly Buck, Special Education
- Lauren Casillo, Elementary Education
- Grace Collins, Elementary Education
- Nicolette Czelusta, English as a Second Language
- Jessica Daigler, Mathematics
- Allison Dellaneve, Elementary Education
- Allison Diedrich, Speech
- Danielle Elliott, Special Education
- Christian Gordon, Elementary Education
- Monica Green, Special Education
- Katherine Greenway, Elementary Education
- Emily Greetham, Music
- Richard Hackford, English
- Bailey King, Science
- Rosalin Kowalczewski, Registered Professional Nurse
- Lindsey Kuhrt, Elementary Education
- Alison Kuitems, Elementary Education
- Christian Lawicki, Elementary Education
- Kali Lunduski, School Counselor
- Erin McMahon, Elementary Education
- Kristi Prince, Reading
- Emily Richey, Science
- Hannah Roche, Speech
- Danielle Romanini, Elementary Education
- Mitchell Rozanski, Elementary Education
- Katherine Ruffino, Special Education
- Kathryn Shea, Special Education
- Christopher Tepas, Elementary Education
- Marissa Torcello, Special Education
- Kelly Wagner, School Social Worker
- Katelyn Warden, Elementary Education
- Mary Zoldos, Special Education



Congratulations Retirees!

- David Adamy, School Monitor, retiring after .75 years of service
- Cheryl Machemer, Teacher Aide, retiring after 3.75 years of service
- Amy Woodward, Senior Clerk Typist, retiring after 9 years of service

Presentation

- **Year-End Report on Strategic Plan:** Mr. Lilleck, superintendent, Mrs. Hornung, assistant superintendent for curriculum, Mr. Grupka, director of curriculum, assessment and instruction, Mr. Pietrantone, director of student services and professional development, and Dr. Ramirez, assistant superintendent for personnel, presented information on the work from the district's Strategic Plan. They shared accomplishments on work that has been implemented and is part of the regular practice. The focus is on monitoring impact and continuous improvement. They shared information on work that is currently underway, stating that these efforts require active support, problem-solving, and refinement as implementation continues. They provided information on work that is being planned and prepared for, which includes research, design, stakeholder input, and readiness activities before implementation begins. Finally, they shared some high school student work during a "Spotlight" segment of the presentation. Click [Year-End Report on Strategic Plan](#) to view.

Reports:

- **Student Ex-Officio Report:** Ms. Sydney Dobmeier, student ex-officio member, reported on the STAP-Comm staff appreciation events to show gratitude for staff. One of the events was a thank-you teacher board where students could write positive messages for teachers. June 3 was the high school senior walk, and soon-to-be graduates visited their elementary school and had an amazing experience. This summer, she will be working with the New York State School Boards Association for outreach opportunities for young leaders and opportunities for student board members. This opportunity is via a grant received from Carnegie for young leaders. She thanked the Board of Education for the opportunity this past year.

Action:

- **Approved all Consensus Items.**
- Accepted the results of the Annual Vote/Election – Budget and bus purchase proposition passing overwhelmingly, and the election of three candidates to the Board of Education, Edward Draves, Tijuana Klas, and Erin Andol.
- Scheduled the Board of Education Organizational and Regular Meeting for July 6, 2026, at 4 pm in the Conference and Learning Center, 2240 Southwestern Blvd., West Seneca, NY.
- Re-adopted the 2026-27 school calendar, adding an elementary half day and high school early dismissal on Thursday, September 17, 2026.
- Accepted donations for the Author's Visit Day at each elementary: Eggert PTO (\$3,000); Ellicott PTO (\$2,000); South Davis PTO (\$1,000); and OPFEA (\$2,000) for Windom. Accepted a donation of \$2,895.80 from QMB for the purchase of two MacBook Air Laptops with cases and two iPads with cases. Accepted a donation, valued at \$1,700, from the American Heart Association for the Ellicott physical education and health and wellness programs.
- Declared textbooks from the middle and high school as obsolete.
- Authorized the Superintendent to sign a contract with Excelsior Orthopedics for athletic training.
- Awarded the bids for district public relations printing and district-wide printing.
- Approved the revised 2024 and 2025 Internal Audit Corrective Action Plans and the 2025 External Corrective Action Plan.



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Announcements and Points of Pride

Superintendent Lilleck's announcements and points of pride can be found by viewing the presentation [Points of Pride](#) or visiting our website at www.opschools.org/Page/11064.

Mr. Lilleck's Announcements and Points of Pride included:

- The Orchard Park Middle School launched their WEB program, "Where Everybody Belongs," which is a middle school orientation and transition program that welcomes 6th graders and makes them feel comfortable throughout the first year of their middle school experience.



- June 3, 2026, OPHS proudly hosted its 3rd Annual Senior Walk. Graduating seniors returned to the elementary schools where their educational journeys began, reconnecting with former teachers, revisiting familiar hallways, and inspiring the next generation of students.



- The Middle School has half days on Monday, June 15, and Tuesday, June 16. The final student attendance day at the middle school is Wednesday, June 24. Elementary has a half-day on their final day of student attendance, which is Tuesday, June 23.
- Prior to the Board Meeting, a celebration for our Support Staff and Teaching Staff retirees took place. This year's group of 24 retirees has over 650 years of combined experience.
- Thanked Dr. Jen Rogers for her exceptional service which included two terms and leadership as our Board President. As a proud graduate of Orchard Park, Dr. Rogers has been instrumental in driving our strategic initiatives forward, keeping a sharp focus on data-informed decisions and championing our incredible educators.
- Thanked Mr. Steve Comeau for his dedicated service over the last three years as a Board member and shared he is also a proud OP alumnus. Steve brought invaluable perspective to the board by leveraging his own professional expertise to champion the social-emotional well-being of our students.
- Thanked Student Ex-Officio member, Sydney Dobmeier, for her time on the Board. Shared he was appreciative of her willingness to share the student perspective, for keeping the Board informed on student matters, and for her kind, thoughtful, and professional approach with all aspects of student leadership.



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