

Wildwood Crest Board of Education
Work Session/ Regular Meeting
Crest Memorial School
Room 23
TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2026 at 5:30

Work Session:

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Flag Salute
3. Open Public Meeting Statement
 - a. In accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, and Board of Education meeting schedule, with notice requirements have been satisfied as to the time, place, and date of holding this meeting by posting notice on the Crest Memorial website under Legal Ads and placement of advertisement for the revised meeting date in The Cape May County Herald July 2, 2025.
4. Roll Call -
 - Leonard Bernstein
 - Nicholas Holland
 - Bud Morey
 - Joseph Cusella
 - Eileen Gianakopoulos
5. Attendance - David Del Conte, Superintendent, James Lushok, Board Secretary/SBA
6. Committee Reports:
 - a. Curriculum
 - b. Facilities
 - c. Extracurricular
 - d. Policy
 - e. Finance**
 - f. Liaison to Wildwood Board of Education**
 - g. Superintendent**
 - i. Superintendent Evaluation Presentation
7. Correspondence -
8. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

All statements are limited to 3 minutes.

Statements addressing specific personnel or specific student(s) should not be raised in the public session but rather in private with the Superintendent. All questions should be addressed to the Board President.
9. Adjournment -
 - a. Motion to adjourn work session and begin the regular session.

Regular Session:

1. Closed Session (if necessary) -

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act authorizes Boards of Education to meet in executive session under certain circumstances;

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting to go into private session;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Wildwood Crest Board of Education that it is necessary to meet in executive session to discuss certain items involving:

☐ Any matter which, by express provision of Federal Law, State Statute or Rule of Court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from public discussion;

X Any matter pertaining to student confidentiality;

X Any matter pertaining to personnel or negotiations;

X Any matter pertaining to litigation;

☐ Confidential financial matters;

☐ Other: _____

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as feasible. The minutes of the executive session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board will return to open session to conduct business at the conclusion of the executive session. Closed session should be 45 minutes in length.

2. Business Administrator's Report- see attached
3. Superintendent's Report- see attached
4. Public Comment

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Please state your name and address for the record..

5. Board Comment
6. Adjournment

Business Administrator's Report

Any member of the Board of Education may have any of the items on the agenda removed for discussion merely by making a motion prior to the vote to be taken on the agenda.

Upon the recommendation of the Business Administrator, a motion was made by _____, seconded by _____ to approve the following agenda by roll call:

Leonard Bernstein -
 Nicholas Holland-
 William Morey-
 Joseph Cusella-
 Eileen Gianakopoulos-

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S CERTIFICATION

As Business Administrator, pursuant to Administrative Code, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)(3), I certify that as of **May** no budgetary line item account had obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.2, and no budgetary line item account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)(3), it is further certified that there are no changes in anticipated revenue amounts and sources for the month of **June**.

BOARD OF EDUCATION'S CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Administrative Code, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)(4), the Board of Education certifies that as of **May** and after review of the Business Administrator's monthly financial reports and upon consultation with the appropriate school district officials, to the best of the Board's knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(a)(1) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

To approve the financial reports of the Business Administrator's (A-148) and the Treasurer's (A-149), which are in agreement for **May**, no accounts are over-expended and no adjustments to the projected revenue are required.

APPROPRIATIONS TRANSFERS

No appropriations transferred met the threshold.

BILL PAYMENTS

To approve bill payments for **June 2026** as listed.

APPROVE MINUTES

To approve and release minutes of the following meeting:

Regular Meeting - **April 28, 2026**

Executive Meeting - **April 28, 2026**

Regular Meeting - **May 21, 2026**

Executive Meeting - **May 21, 2026**

APPROVE PAYMENT OF NJ PAID SICK LEAVE

To approve the payment of NJ Earned Sick Leave for all qualifying part-time employees and substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year, according to Board Policy #1642.

CAPITAL RESERVE EXCESS TRANSFER

To approve the transfer of unanticipated excess current year revenue or unexpected appropriations from the general fund into the capital reserve fund, in an amount not to exceed \$900,000 consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

MAINTENANCE RESERVE EXCESS TRANSFER

To approve the transfer of unanticipated excess current year revenue or unexpected appropriations from the general fund into the maintenance reserve fund, in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

APPROVE YEAR END FISCAL ACTIVITY

On the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, that the Wildwood Crest Board of Education authorize the School Business Administrator to make appropriate transfers and issue checks prior to June 30, 2026, for year end closing activities.

APPROVE CAPE TECH HIGH SCHOOL CONTRACT

On the recommendation of the Business Administrator, to approve the contract with Cape May County Technical High School for the 2026-2027 school year at a cost of \$10,430 per regular education student (14) and \$10,480 per special education student (1). This includes a credit for the 2023-2024 tuition \$19,548 which is offsetting the costs for the upcoming year.

ITINERANT SERVICES AGREEMENT

To approve the itinerant services with the Cape May County Special Services School District from July 1st, 2026 through June 30th 2027, at various costs of services outlined in the contract.

APPROVE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - FOOD SERVICE

To approve the issuance of a competitive Request For Proposal (RFP) for a food service management contract for the 2026-2027 school year. This proposal will be submitted to

New Jersey Department of Agriculture (NJDA) for accuracy and completeness. The RFP will be publicly advertised, processed, and awarded under all applicable N.J.S.A., N.J.A.C., CFR-USDA, and all NJ School Ethics Act laws and guidelines.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES AND TIMES

Board to approve meeting schedule beginning July 2026 through June 2027.

Board meetings to begin at 5:30pm on the third Tuesday and will include work session and business session together unless otherwise stated below*.

July 21, 2026
 August, 18, 2026
 September 22, 2026*
 October 27, 2026*
 November 17, 2026
 December 15, 2026
 January 5, 2027 (Reorganization Meeting) *
 January 19, 2027
 February 16, 2027
 March 23, 2027*
 April 27, 2027 (Budget Meeting) *
 May 18, 2027
 June 22, 2027*

James Lushok - Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**WILDWOOD CREST SCHOOL DISTRICT
TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2026
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Any member of the Board of Education may have any of the items on the agenda removed for discussion merely by making a motion prior to the vote to be taken on the agenda.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by _____, seconded by _____ to approve the following agenda by roll call:

Leonard Bernstein -
Nicholas Holland-
William Morey-
Joseph Cusella-
Eileen Gianakopoulos-

ENROLLMENT:

Crest Memorial School (In District)	Prek-8th Grade	191
Out of District	Prek-8th Grade	9

*Grade level enrollment is attached

PRACTICE SECURITY AND FIRE DRILL:

The fire drill and lockdown for June were 17th and 18th, respectively.

2026/2027 ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

To approve the following administrators for the 2025/2026 school year:

Larry Lhulier	Principal/ Supervisor of Curriculum	\$138,615
Mario Tridente	Supervisor of Student Services	\$125,917
James Lushok	Business Administrator	\$131,191 <i>Pending ECS approval</i>

SUMMER 2026 WORKING HOURS:

To approve working summer hours for the Summer of 2026 for all 12 month employees from June 22, 2026 to August 21, 2026:

Monday-Thursday
8:30AM-2:30PM

CUSTODIAN 2026 SUMMER HOURS:

To approve the following summer hours for the custodial staff:

Monday through Thursday:
 Day Custodian: 6:00AM to 3:00PM
 Night Custodians: 8:00AM to 5:00PM

MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE TEACHER:

To approve Lauryn Atkinson as the Middle School Science teacher at Step 9BA \$77,180, per the 2024-2029 WCEA approved contract.

CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS OFFICE ASSISTANT:

To approve, Caroleigh McCloy Lee, at \$58,000 (pro-rated) for the remainder of the 2025-2026 School Year and for the 2026-2027 School Year.

2026 SUMMER HOURS:

To approve the following summer hours for curriculum and program development for the 2026/2027 school year at \$40 per hour as per the WCEA contract.

Morgan Kurkowski	30 Hours
Dustin Rauenzahn	30 Hours
Cameron Freeman	30 Hours

2025/2026 SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION

To approve the evaluation of the superintendent for the 2025/2026 school year.

HIB: 1 Investigated/ 1 Confirmed

David J. Del Conte, Jr.
Superintendent

<u>CMS June 2026 Enrollment Totals</u>	
PreSchool 3 Bren	13
PreSchool 4 Gent	13
Kindergarten B/M	15
First Grade H/O	13
Second Grade C	8
Second Grade M	8
Third Grade D/M	13
Fourth Grade C	10
Fourth Grade Z	9
Fifth Grade G	11
Fifth Grade S	10
Sixth Grade A	9
Sixth Grade M	11
Seventh Grade K	16
Seventh Grade P	13
Eighth Grade H	10
Eighth Grade M	9
TOTAL IN DISTRICT	191
TOTAL PREK-8 OOD	8
<i>WWH</i>	25
<i>CMTECH</i>	14
<i>MIDDLE</i>	11
<i>LOWER TOWNSHIP</i>	2
TOTAL	251