

SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTER

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Wyoming Valley West School District

Interpreting
July 10, 2026

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – July 10, 2026

Awarded bids to the following for the **Dana Street Modular Classroom Project**:

- ❖ **General Construction:** D & M Construction – \$65,000
- ❖ **Electrical Construction:** Advanced Electrical and Communications – \$120,000
- ❖ **Mechanical Construction:** Penn State Mechanical – \$125,000

Approved Agreement with **Evercor** for the Wyoming Valley West Varsity Baseball Field Outfield Grading, Sod, and Water Storage System, \$281,476.75.

Approved Invoice for **Superior Sealcoating & Paving** for the paving project at Third Avenue School, \$64,564.84.

Awarded **bids** which were received and opened on Tuesday, June 9, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. for the following:

- ❖ **Interscholastic Sports Supplies (2026-2027)**

Approved payment to **Apollo Group** for construction management services rendered through June 30, 2026, \$35,879.99.

Approved **Physician Services Agreement** between Wyoming Valley West School District and Geisinger Clinic for services August 1, 2026 – July 31, 2027.

Approved **Athletic Trainer Services Agreement** between Wyoming Valley West School District and Geisinger Clinic for services August 1, 2026 – July 31, 2027.

Approved Wyoming Valley West School District reconfiguration to **transfer students (Kindergarten) from Third Avenue School** to Dana Elementary Center, effective the 2026/2027 school year for building renovations.

Approved Wyoming Valley West School District reconfiguration to reopen Third Avenue School as a **Kindergarten through 12th Grade Center-Based School**, effective the 2027/2028 school year.

Approved Wyoming Valley West School District in partnership with the Borough of Kingston to apply for a **DCED Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant** with a required 30% match of district funds upon award of the grant.

Appointed **Margaret Jockel**, General Science Teacher, High School, effective August 31, 2026, pending receipt of all state mandated clearances, human resource paperwork and proper certification, \$55,270.

Appointed **Kaitlyn Finnerty**, Spanish Teacher, High School, effective August 31, 2026, pending receipt of all state mandated clearances, human resource paperwork and proper certification, \$97,687.

Appointed **Thomas Federici**, Emotional Support, Middle School, effective August 31, 2026, pending receipt of all state mandated clearances, human resource paperwork and proper certification, \$58,858.

Appointed **Margaret Barilla**, Spanish Teacher, Middle School, effective August 31, 2026, pending receipt of all state mandated clearances, human resource paperwork and proper certification, \$53,556.

Appointed the following **new hires**:

- ❖ **Ashley Hernandez** - Nurse Assistant, effective TBD, \$160/day.
- ❖ **Diane Lasecki** - Cleaner, High School, effective June 22, 2026, \$16.00/hr.

Approved **long-term status** for the following substitute teacher:

- ❖ **Margaret Jockel** - effective June 2, 2026.

Accepted resignation, with regret, due retirement, **Martin Gabel**, Second Grade Teacher, Chester Street, effective August 28, 2026.

Accepted the following **resignation**:

❖ **Jessica Luton** - Emotional Support Aide, Middle School, effective July 1, 2026.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

August Work Session - Wednesday, August 5, 2026 - 7:00 PM

Regular August Meeting - Wednesday, August 12, 2026 - 7:00 PM