

Wildwood Crest Board of Education
Work Session/ Regular Meeting
Crest Memorial School
Gymnasium
Tuesday, August 18, 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 8, 2026.
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
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. Business Administrator's Report- see attached
2. Superintendent's Report- see attached
3. Public Comment

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.

Please state your name and address for the record.

4. Board Comment
5. 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;

☐ 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.

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-

APPROPRIATIONS TRANSFERS

No appropriations transferred met the threshold.

BILL PAYMENTS

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

APPROVE MINUTES

To approve and release minutes of the following meeting:

Regular Meeting - **July 21, 2026**

Special Meeting - **July 28, 2026**

APPROVE WILDWOOD CITY TUITION CONTRACTS

To approve the regular tuition contract for the 2026-2027 school year at a cost of \$21,000 per regular education student, estimated at 34 pupils and a total charge of \$714,000. This contract also includes a tuition adjustment of \$89,216 for a total tuition payment of \$803,216.

APPROVE ATTENDANCE TO JIF INSURANCE CONFERENCE

To approve James Lushok, Business Administrator, to attend the annual New Jersey ACCAASBOJIF September 23rd through September 25th. There is no cost to the district, as the Joint Insurance Fund membership includes this conference.

James Lushok - Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**WILDWOOD CREST SCHOOL DISTRICT
TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 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-

PROJECTED ENROLLMENT:

Crest Memorial School (In District)	Prek-8th Grade	183
Out of District	Prek-8th Grade	8

*Grade level enrollment is attached

CURRICULUM:

To approve the Curriculum for the 2026/2027 school year. The curriculum areas include: Algebra, Art, Title 1, Child Study Team Services, Computers, Enrichment, Handwriting, Health, Home Economics, Instrumental Music, Language Arts Literacy, Library, Mathematics, Nursing Services, Perceptually Impaired, Preschool, Resource Room, Science and ISL, Social Studies, Spanish, Speech, Technology Literacy, Therapy, Study Skills, Vocal Music, Financial Literacy, Civics, TV/Video, Physical Education

TEXTBOOKS/ PRIMARY RESOURCES:

To approve the Textbooks for the 2026/2027 school year.

ATHLETIC HANDBOOK:

To approve the Athletic Handbook for the 2026/2027 school year.

CODE OF CONDUCT:

To approve and adopt the Crest Memorial School Code of Conduct for the 2026/2027 school year.

SHARED SERVICES CONTRACT:

To approve the three year shared services contract with the Borough of Wildwood Crest for an SRO from the WCPD to be placed at Crest Memorial School in accordance with our school calendar.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN:

To approve the Professional Development Plan for the 2026/2027 school year.

PRESCHOOL INSTRUCTIONAL COACH:

To approve, Katherine Haas, as the Preschool Instructional Coach for the 2026/2027 school year at Step 4 daily rate of \$331.95/Day.

APPROVAL OF EDUCATIONAL STEP INCREASE:

To approve the step increase for Casey Kilroy, from Step 12BA+15 (\$84,830), to Step 12BA+30 (\$85,430) per the WCEA 2024-2029 Contract.

APPROVAL OF LEARNING DISABILITY TEACHER CONSULTANT:

To approve, Casey Kilroy, as the LDTC for the 2026-2027 School Year.

DAY TIME CUSTODIAN

To approve, John Gallagher, as the day time custodian stipend (\$3,000) for the 2026/2027 school year.

2026/2027 APPOINTMENTS:

Name	Title
Pete Guttierrez	Right-To-Know Officer
Pete Guttierrez	Asbestos Coordinator

2026 SUMMER HOURS:

To approve the following summer hours for curriculum and program development for the 2026/2027 school year at \$40/hour per the 2024-2029 WCEA contract.

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

EARLY BREAKFAST FOR THE 2026/2027 SCHOOL YEAR:

To approve the following employees as the lunch and early breakfast personnel for the 2026/2027 school year.

Maureen Brennan	Breakfast	\$35/Hr.
Dina Ziemba	Breakfast	\$35/Hr.
Hilari Ksiazek	Breakfast	\$35/Hr.
Andrea Mallon	Breakfast	\$35/Hr.
Kim Sorensen	Breakfast	\$35/Hr.
Claudia Gentzow	Breakfast	\$35/Hr.

Approval of 2025/2026 Fall Sports:

Athletic Director	Scott Mason	\$4,000
Soccer Head Coach	Brian Hackney	\$2,600
Soccer Assistant Coach	Melissa Raucci	\$1,400
Girls Cross Country, Head Coach	Claudia Gentzow	\$2,600
Boys Cross Country, Head Coach	Nick Zimmerman	\$2,600
Assistant Cross Country	Meredith McGonigle	\$1,700
PickleBall/Tennis	Linda Ennis	\$2,300

Approval of 2026/2027 Stipends:

Dustin Rauenzahn	Stem Club	\$2,300
Claudia Gentzow	Stem Club	\$2,300
Abbie Aristizable	Chorus	\$2,300
Linda Ennis	Cr8 Club	\$2,300
Steve Mingee	History Club	\$2,300
Brian Hackney	Media Club	\$2,300
Cathy Toland	Costume Design	\$2,300
Linda Ennis	Sign Language Club	\$1,150 (\$2,300/2)
Jennifer Pruszinski	Sign Language Club	\$1,150 (\$2,300/2)
Barbie Cleffi	Book Club	\$1,150 (\$2,300/2)

Melissa Stocker	Book Club	\$1,150 (\$2,300/2)
Melissa Raucci	Drama Club	\$3,400
Abbie Aristizable	Drama Music Director	\$35/Hour (Max 35 Hours)
Brian Hackney	Stage Crew	\$2,300
Stephanie Benson	Set Design	\$35/Hour (Max 35 Hours)
Margaret Teeney	Food Services	\$4,500
Nick Zimmerman	Tech Week Crew	\$35/Hour (Max 35 Hours)
Steve Mingee	Tech Week Crew	\$35/Hour (Max 35 Hours)
Scott Mason	Tech Week Crew	\$35/Hour (Max 35 Hours)
Mary Jaskel	Tech Week Crew	\$35/Hour (Max 35 Hours)
Jenn Pruszinski	Peer Leaders	\$1,150 (\$2,300/2)
Linda Ennis	Peer Leaders	\$1,150 (\$2,300/2)
Dina Ziemba	Safety Patrol	\$2,300
Melissa Raucci	Student Council	\$1,150 (\$2,300/2)
Scott Mason	Student Council	\$1,150 (\$2,300/2)
Jenn Pruszinski	Yearbook	\$1,300 (\$2,600/2)
Linda Ennis	Yearbook	\$1,300 (\$2,600/2)
Melissa Raucci	Public Relations	\$1,700 (\$3,400/2)
Margaret Teeney	Public Relations	\$1,700 (\$3,400/2)
Mary Jaskel	School Newsletter	\$3,400
Mary Jaskel	Substitute Coordinator	\$4,500
Kim Sorensen	Homework Club	\$45/Hr.
Terry Meyer	Homework Club	\$45/Hr.
Maryann Drake	Homework Club	\$45/Hr.
Jenn Pruszinski	Homework Club	\$45/Hr.
Jackie Gillen	Homework Club	\$45/Hr.
Margaret Teeney	Registrar	\$5,000
Dina Ziemba	PIRT Coordinator	\$2,500

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS FOR THE 2026/2027 SCHOOL YEAR:

To approve the following substitute teachers for the 2026/2027 school year.

Becker, Paul	D'Aiutolo, Steven	Maloy, Mary	Purcell, Mildred	Sullivan, Maureen
Becker, Ron	D'Antonio, Christine	McCallion, Lauren	Rafter, Christian	Toland, Catherine
Belasic, Elizabeth	D'Antonio, Gerardo	Mettler, Michelle	Ragone, Frank	Turco, Gabrielle
Blackmon, Julie	DiTullio-Cerino, Maria	Morinelli, Kyle	Reilly, Kacie	Wells, Jocelyn
Capizzi, Patricia	Fandetta, Michelle	Mulholland, Gabrielle	Sawyer, Stephanie	Wilcoxon, Hannah
Cavacini, Emma	Fisher, Shannon	Murphy, Susan	Scaltrito, Frank	Yecco, Jeannine
Cleffi, Emma	Haury, Susan	Notch, Lisa	Sorensen, Ava	Ziemba, Jennette
Cross, Lauren	Kance, Matthew	Pruszinski, Abigail	Sorensen, Julia	Zimmerman, Elizabeth
Cusella, Carmen	Lacivita, Joanna	Pruszinski, Brooke	Sorensen, Lauren	Zinter, Kristin

David J. Del Conte, Jr.
Superintendent