



— Lakeview Local Schools —

LAKEVIEW LEDGER

September 2026



Welcome, New Bulldogs!

We are excited to welcome 92 kindergarten students to the Lakeview family this year!

Our newest Bulldogs are already becoming an important part of our school community, and we can't wait to watch them learn, grow, make new friends, and build their Lakeview memories.



School Safety: Triennial Plan

Keeping our students and staff safe is one of our most important responsibilities.

We recently received approval from the Ohio School Safety Center on our triennial safety plan submission, which was sent earlier this summer.

The document is more than 80 pages long and addresses the many areas required by the state, including biohazards, emergency preparedness, and threats.



Big Buck Challenge

Lakeview is joining forces with the Trumbull County Sheriff's Department to participate in the Big Buck Challenge for students who enjoy hunting as a hobby.

Officers will visit with students during lunches to share information and connect with students around this opportunity.



Planning for the Future: Facilities & PI Funding

Our Five-Year Facility Plan was approved at our August Board of Education Meeting. This plan provides a roadmap for maintaining, improving, and investing in our district facilities over the coming years.

At the same time, our Permanent Improvement (PI) Levy renewal will be on the November ballot.

So, what exactly is PI money?

Permanent Improvement funds are restricted funds that can be used for long-term facility and equipment needs. Unlike general operating funds, PI money cannot be used for salaries, regular operating expenses, or day-to-day instructional costs. This year and next, planned uses of PI funding include:

-  Roof repairs at Lakeview High School
-  Purchasing a new school bus—our oldest bus is from 2002!
-  Resurfacing the track
-  Addressing aging equipment and facility needs

We also currently have a PI project in the works at the high school. The rooftop HVAC units above the locker rooms have reached the end of their useful life, and we are preparing to request proposals for the work.

These are the kinds of significant, long-term expenses PI funding is designed to address. Maintaining our buildings, replacing aging equipment, and investing in our facilities help keep our schools safe, functional, and ready to serve Lakeview students for years to come.



Building a Community Around Reading

We are excited about a new possibility for our Lakeview K–8 building: the creation of a Friends of the Lakeview Library Group.

This week, a dedicated Lakeview parent met with our leadership team to begin exploring the idea. Some of the possibilities discussed included:

- Book clubs
- Volunteer opportunities
- Literacy-focused events
- Family activities centered around reading

We look forward to continuing the conversation and developing the idea together.



Celebrate the Lakeview Athletic Hall of Fame

The Lakeview Athletic Hall of Fame was resurrected last year.

We are looking forward to celebrating the incoming class at the induction ceremony at the end of September!

2026 Induction Weekend

Information about this year's induction weekend is available here:

<https://sites.google.com/lakeviewlocal.org/lhs-hof/2026-induction-weekend>

If you are the parent of a young Lakeview athlete, we especially encourage you to consider attending.

Hearing the inductees talk about what Lakeview meant to them can be incredibly inspirational.

It's a wonderful opportunity for our young athletes to hear firsthand what being part of Lakeview athletics can mean, both during high school and long after graduation.



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Additional Support for Students

We are excited about several new partnerships and programs that will provide additional opportunities and support for our students.



AmeriCorps Tutors Coming in September

The district is using Title IV funding to bring three AmeriCorps tutors into our K–8 building.

We are excited to welcome them to Lakeview and look forward to the additional support they will provide our students when they arrive in September!



Career Counselor Partnership

We are also excited to announce a partnership with Future Plans that will fund our weekly Career Counselor for students in grades 5–12.

This is a wonderful opportunity to continue expanding career exploration and planning for our students and to help them begin thinking about the many possibilities available to them after graduation.



Lakeview + ESCEO: CORE

Lakeview Local Schools is partnering with the Educational Service Center of Eastern Ohio (ESCEO) to participate in a new program called CORE.

CORE is a team of individuals who will work alongside our staff to support students with high-level behavioral needs. The team will conduct a comprehensive review of the systems and supports we already have in place and help us develop a plan for moving forward.



Did You Know? Transportation Funding

Did you know that the district receives annual funding to help offset transportation costs?

Each year, we submit a report called the T2 to request this funding. The funds we receive help defray a portion of our transportation expenses and support the district's overall financial planning.

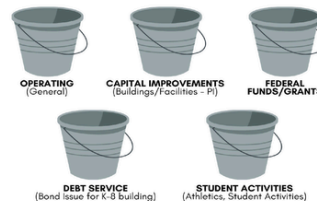
Transportation is a significant part of operating a school district, and these funds help us manage those costs responsibly.



Financial Facts

Schools in Ohio have several types of budgets. Most are “restricted” in that they can only be expended on specific items. The operating budget is primarily the one “bucket” that school districts have the ability to spend on meeting the operational needs of the district. This budget is primarily the General Fund while other budget categories like Capital Improvement funds are restricted to meeting the building, facility, transportation and other needs of the district (non-salary). More to come next Monday and at future School Finance 101 sessions. A repeat of session one will be taking place on September 21, 2026 at 5 PM at the Lakeview High School Media Center.

BUDGET CATEGORIES



Thank You for Being Part of Lakeview

There is a lot happening across our district, and we're grateful for the families, staff members, community partners, and volunteers who continue to make Lakeview a special place to learn and grow.

From welcoming our newest Bulldogs to planning for the future of our facilities, expanding student support, strengthening community partnerships, and creating new opportunities for our students, we are proud of the work happening across Lakeview Local Schools.

Thank you for being part of our school community and as always, Go Bulldogs!

