

# January 6, 2023 - Board Brief

## Gerrita Postlewait and Senior Leadership Team

### COMMUNICATIONS

#### Communications

[Click here to review the monthly Communications Summary.](#)

### FINANCE

#### Increase in Mileage Reimbursement Rate

The federal government (GSA) has adjusted the mileage reimbursement rate. The revised rate has increased to \$0.655 cents per mile. This is .30 cents more than the rate that was calculated in this year's budget.

#### ESSER Update

The second quarter claims for ESSER were submitted on January 5, 2023. Here is an update of the amounts remaining to be spent as of December 31, 2022:

1. ESSER I - 0% (Grant period ended September 30, 2022, and all funds were spent by the deadline)
2. ESSER II - 27% (Grant period ends September 30, 2023)
3. ESSER III - 80% (Grant period ends September 30, 2024)

Please note that as salaries and benefits are part of the spending plan, those expenditures are spread out over the term of the grant period. Additionally, when ESSER III and ESSER II have budgets for the same categories, we spend ESSER II first, as that grant period ends a year prior to ESSER III.

### HUMAN RESOURCES



The graphic features a winding road with various people icons representing different life stages. A sign on the road reads "PLAN FOR RETIREMENT AT EVERY STAGE IN LIFE". Below the road, the text "RETIREMENT PLANNING SESSION" is displayed in a white box. Further down, it says "Lexington County School District One Human Resources Department invites *all employees* to attend our upcoming Retirement Planning Session to learn about how to plan for retirement at *EVERY* stage in life." The date and time are listed as "FEB 23 2023 AT 5 PM THE LOPAC AT LHS". A yellow box contains the text: "Registration information will be sent out to all employees soon, so be on the lookout and save your seat!"

#### Teacher Recruitment Fair - January 21st

Please join us on Saturday, January 21, at White Knoll High School, from 8:30 -10:00 am to greet teacher candidates. They will have "meet and greet" time to visit individual school tables and then will interview from 10:30 - 12:00 noon. You are welcome to stay until noon if you wish. This is a great opportunity for candidates to feel welcome by Lexington One board members.

#### Letters of Intent

This week HR sent Letters of Intent to all staff to complete electronically. This process helps in planning for staff in the 2023-2024 school year. The forms are due back to us January 13, 2023. HR will send each principal or department head a report of staff responses for their location.



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### INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

#### American Legion Essay Contest

Our local American Legion Auxiliary (#7) has reached out to invite our students to participate in their national essay contest. This year's essay title is: "What does patriotism mean to you?" Students in grade 8 are encouraged to participate in conjunction with their study of the United States government and/or Presidents Day. The American Legion Auxiliary will determine winners by grade level and each winner will receive \$50 and a \$50 donation in the student's name will be made to the Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship fund. We are thrilled to reinstate this partnership with our local American Legion Auxiliary!

### OPERATIONS

Great news! We received occupancy of the Gilbert Performing Arts Center following an inspection right before winter break. We are working through some code requirements with the orchestra pit so that is not part of the certificate of occupancy at this time but our goal is to resolve those very soon.

Work has started on ES19 as our contractor has already begun the land clearing process. We look forward to bringing to you more updates as the work progresses.

### SUPERINTENDENT

Proposed 2023-24 Board meeting dates at-a-glance (further details in Jan. 10 board packet):

- July 18, 2023 ([Policy BAA](#) board self-evaluation)
- August 15, 2023
- September 19, 2023
- October 24, 2023
- November 14, 2023
- December 12, 2023
- January 23, 2024
- February 20, 2024
- March 19, 2024
- April 16, 2024
- May 21, 2024
- June 11, 2024

