# January 27, 2023 - Board Brief

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# **COMMUNICATIONS**

A new app, ChatGPT, is garnering substantial media attention. Mr. Howard Bissell, our instructional technology director, was interviewed by Carolina News and Reporter for an <u>article on the subject</u>. The Post and Courier also inquired about the app. You may read the district response <a href="here">here</a>.

# **HUMAN RESOURCES**

It was so nice to be back in person for our annual Teacher Recruitment Fair. 127 people pre-registered for the event. Of those 127, 82 showed up for the fair and we had 30 walk-ins. We were able to issue 42 Letters of Intent to hire and 20 of those signed them on the spot. We look forward to continuing to recruit the best and the brightest here in Lexington One!

#### INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

At the end of the first semester, the mid-year review process gives each school the opportunity to formally monitor progress and determine where students and staff are in correlation to the goals outlined in the school's action plan. The mid-year review is facilitated by various instructional services leaders and attended by members of the school's instructional leadership team. During the review, the session facilitator leads the school team through a reflective dialogue using multiple measures of data, including both student achievement data and classroom observations. Team members use the patterns they noticed in the data to make adjustments to the school's action plan and coordinate targeted support for students and staff through the remainder of the school year. A summary of first semester progress will be shared at the February 28 board meeting.

#### **OPERATIONS**

<u>Safety Drill Update</u> - Since returning from Winter Break our safety team has completed lockdown drills at: DES, PHES, NPES, GMS, CES, LMES, RBHS, LES, MGES, CSES, and BMS. Schools not listed will have their drill completed soon.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT**

Agenda Management Update - We have finalized an agreement with Diligent Corporation, to put BoardDocs in place for one year. Their team is finalizing an implementation plan and it should be up and running within 6-8 weeks. Training sessions will include necessary district personnel and the Board. We will get this on your calendar as soon as possible.

## **TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION SERVICES**

Eight schools piloted digital report cards for the end of 2nd nine weeks. Information went out to parents through School Messenger on how to access their child's report cards through the Parent Portal in PowerSchool. Parents in those eight schools can still receive a paper copy by contacting the Records Operator at their child's school. Here's a list of those schools: Midway Elementary, New Providence Elementary, Saxe Gotha Elementary, Beechwood Middle, Carolina Springs Middle, Pleasant Hill Middle, Pelion High, and River Bluff High.

## **FOIA REQUESTS RECEIVED**

#### Jada Garris, 1/25/23:

- 1. A Transaction Activity Report from 7/1/2015 to 1/15/2023 for the "other capital funds" mentioned during the December 6, 2022 board meeting to include: account, post date, vendor, PEID, SS, Reference, Ck Number, Ck date and expenditure.
- 2. A list of all land parcels owned by Lexington County School District One with details regarding the fund that was used to purchase the property.

# Caitlin Ashworth, Post & Courier, 1/25/23:

Inspect and/or copy documents related to business and financial transactions between the school district and competitive/"All Star" cheerleading organizations/coaches/choreographers, including ACX.

