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COMMUNICATIONS

Communications is working on a summary of the budget presentation that will be shared in next week's *Inside Voice*.

<u>News to share</u> below is information board members may want to share as a way to help spread good news and important information about our district <u>LTC Cosmetology Exploration Camp</u> Hall hired as Lexington One transportation director Remember to like and share #Lex1Shoutouts

FINANCE

Bond Issuance

The District has awarded a bond issue to First Community Bank pending review and approval of the attached Final Payment Schedule and Written Lender Confirmation. There were two proposals, both of equal quality other than the interest rate. Based on advice from legal and financial advisors, the District moved forward with the proposal with the lowest interest rate. The principal amount of the bond is \$788,100. This bond was approved by the board on September 13, 2022, and is used to make the debt service payments for the Lex One School Facilities Corporation Installment purchase revenue refunding bond Lexington Comity SD No. 1, Series 2013 and 2015.

New School Menu Items

Under the new leadership of Director of the Child Nutrition Program, Deidre Yonce, Lex 1's Chef Wes Wilson collaborated with Proview Foods regional sales manager Jeff Dodge, to introduce three new menu options for the 2023-2024 school year. An upgraded chicken breast sandwich, buffalo hot honey chicken sandwich served on a whole grain donut, and honey buffalo wings.

Response to Questions about Budget Transfers
Response to board inquiries on Transfers/Report is linked here for your review.

HUMAN RESOURCES

<u>Contracts</u> were issued electronically for all certified staff on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, and are due back to HR before May 11, 2023.

Next week, the HR team will be issuing a new component of **Total Compensation Statements** to replace the district "status sheets". This tool will allow us to showcase for our staff members both the compensation paid to them directly and all indirect costs that the school district currently pays on their behalf. Every employee will be able to see how much the district pays on their behalf. Please see the samples below.

Total Compensation Statements:

- Old Status Sheet Example
- New Total Compensation Sheet Example
- Accompanying flier for information

Fraudulent Activity

We have been made aware of letters of intent/job offers going out to individuals in other countries on Lex 1 letterhead, some of which are soliciting money to assist with work authorizations. This has been reported to law enforcement.

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

Lex 1 took advantage of a voluntary opportunity for the state to audit our student transcripts. Overall the audit revealed successful notations on students' transcripts and also included recommendations for improved practices. We learned that we are coding several courses in a way that makes it look as though students took the same course more than once, especially in PE, music and art. We need to re-code these courses and will bring them, as well as any additional new courses, to the Board for approval next week so that schools can meet important scheduling deadlines for the 2023–2024 school year.

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OPERATIONS

Online Facility Reservations

The district will soon be moving to an online use of facilities platform. *Facilitron* is the name of the facility management platform we will be using. The goal is to have this up and running for the start of the 2023-2024 school year, if possible. More information will be provided soon as we work to schedule training and plan for the transition.

SUPERINTENDENT



State Superintendent Visit

State Superintendent Weaver visited Forts Pond Elementary Thursday, April 27 to talk with teachers about the work that Lexington One is doing with LETRS training.

ESSER II Funds Ending Sept. 30, 2023

On 12/27/2020, the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act became law. This was the <u>second</u> round of federal funds for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER II) for the purpose of providing local school districts with emergency relief funds to address the impact of COVID-19. ESSER II funds expire September 30, 2023. All expenditures under ESSER II must be received, invoiced, paid, and claimed by December 30, 2023.

May 2 Board Meeting

This Board meeting will be the first using the online voting and agenda scoreboard in BoardDocs. It's a small meeting that will help us get acclimated to this "live" process. We will also see a change in the board vote for employment recommendations. There will be one motion to approve all employment recommendations and not a motion for each classification and school year. You will continue to see the breakdown in your executive session materials.

	BOARD ACTION/WORK
M A Y	 Second Reading - 24 Budget Attend Special Education Graduation Attend Retiree Banquet Attend school events and other community opportunities
23	 Policy Readings and Approvals 2nd Reading and Naming of ES #19 2nd Reading and Approval of 24-25 Academic Calendar Strategic Plan Achievement Goals

FOIA REQUESTS RECEIVED - NONE