

# June 2, 2023 - Board Brief

## Gerrita Postlewait and Senior Leadership Team

### COMMUNICATIONS

[Click here to watch a video story highlighting the Gilbert High Rosenwald Stories project.](#)

[Click here to read the Budget Update included in the June 2, 2023 Inside Voice.](#)

Coming soon! The Communications and IT departments have started the process of transitioning to a new communications platform that will replace SchoolMessenger. [Click here to watch a short video](#) on this exciting new communications and family engagement tool coming in 2023-24 school year.

### FINANCE

Jennifer Miller prepared a [brief presentation](#) on the impact Act 388 has had on the district since its inception. She will review this on June 13 as well.

### HUMAN RESOURCES

School administrators conduct observations in classrooms to provide certified staff with support and feedback aligned with the South Carolina Teaching Standards (SCTS) 4.0 rubric. The 4.0 rubric is organized into four domains - Instruction, Planning, Environment, and Professionalism. Within each domain, indicators and descriptors are arranged in four performance levels - Exemplary, Proficient, Needs Improvement, and Unsatisfactory. As an observer views a teacher's lesson, he/she writes notes, collects evidence, and scores the lesson using the 4.0 rubric. At the end of the observation, the scores indicate areas of strength and opportunities for growth. The observation data and associated scores are *confidential* and are stored in a system called SC Lead.

For a 22-23 summary report of SC Lead Information, please click [here](#).

### OPERATIONS

**Reminder:** Lex One summer hours will begin June 5, 2023, and continue through July 28, 2023. Operating hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday with one-half hour for lunch. Most staff will

not work on Fridays during this time period. We will recognize the July 4th holiday on Tuesday, July 4th. Normal business hours (8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday) will resume on Monday, July 31, 2023.

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### SUPERINTENDENT

#### **Another State Winner: Congratulations Bryce Myers!**

Bryce Myers received word yesterday that he has been named South Carolina's Career and Technology Education Administrator of the Year! His application now moves to the national level. The state award will be formally announced at the Education Business Summit at the end of June.

#### **Graduating Class of 2023**

Approximately 1,860 students will graduate from Lexington One schools this Saturday and Sunday. Best wishes to all, and a special recognition to the young men and women who are entering US military service.

#### **End-of-Year Reviews. 2023-24 Planning**

This coming week we meet with principals for each school's 2023-24 End-of-Year Review and also to discuss work plans for 2023-24.

#### **SPOT the Robot Dog**

Recently 10 LTC students were able to interact with and program a SPOT the robot dog from Boston Dynamics, resulting in a trip for four students to Washington DC to attend "CES on the Hill" and interact with Congress members and policy makers on the future of AI, robotics, and manufacturing. One student from the trip will work with USC's neXt Factories of the Future team helping integrate SPOT into the manufacturing process at Michelin as a freshman at USC. [See SPOT's Video here](#).

#### **Leading as One and Board Meet & Greet for New School/District Leaders**

Leading as One is the new school year kick-off for school and district leaders, which includes the Superintendent's call to action and a day of



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collaboration and development for leaders. The board is historically included in the breakfast and call to action portion of the morning. The board will also have an opportunity to meet new principals, new assistant principals and new district leaders. The meet and greet will begin at 7:15 a.m. and conclude at 7:55 a.m. in order for board members to join the larger group for breakfast and the call to action.

BOARD ACTION/WORK	
J U N E  2 0 2 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Year-end KPI* review</li> <li>● Board performance review discussion on how to proceed</li> <li>● Public Hearing - 23-24 budget, third reading and approval of 23-24 budget</li> <li>● Attend Graduations 6/3-4</li> <li>● Policy review and approvals</li> </ul> <p>*Key Performance Indicators</p>

### Correction

The 6/2/23 edition of Board Brief contained a clerical error. Two FOIA requests were inaccurately listed under Reporter Chris Joseph (WIS). Mr. Joseph submitted the request for the bus accident information and Peyton Lewis (WLTX) made the inquiry on two alleged situations. The Peyton Lewis request was again reported on the 6/8/23 Board Brief edition.

### FOIA REQUESTS RECEIVED

**Investigative Reporter Chris Joseph, WIS - 1)** All documents, records, photos (in color), video (in color and with sound), or other materials produced, obtained, or gathered related to L1's investigation into the May 25, 2023 bus crash.. **2)** All documents, records, photos (in color) video (in color and with sound), or other materials gathered in the hiring process for the bus driver of the bus crash on May 25, 2023. **3)** The personnel file of the bus driver in the bus crash on May 25, 2023 (this would include records of their training and any disciplinary documents). **4)** All emails to/from Dr. Postlewait on May 25 and May 26, 2023 including the following phrases: WIS, Chris Joseph, Crash, Hospital, Injured, Injuries, and/or Driver.

#### **Investigative Reporter Chris Joseph, WIS**

- We were informed that a female high school teacher in the district was fired due to inappropriate contact with students. . . . If there are any documents pertaining to the firing of this teacher, we would like a copy.
- We are also informed that the FBI is involved in investigating drug dealing and drug use within the district. I would also like a copy of any notices from the FBI as well.

