

June 29, 2023 - Board Brief

Gerrita Postlewait and Senior Leadership Team



"It will be celebrated with pomp and parade, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other." - John Adams

NOTE: Lexington One will not publish a Board Brief the week of July 4.

COMMUNICATIONS



Bryce Myers was honored with the SCACTE Administrator of the Year award at the SC Education & Business Summit 6/28..

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

Science of Reading PD: LETRS

LETRS training (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling) has been shown to provide early childhood/elementary teachers and leaders with deep knowledge in the science of reading. LETRS teaches the skills needed to master the foundational and fundamentals of reading and writing instruction—phonological awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension, and written language. In the 2023 SC legislative session funds were provided to train all K–3 teachers, school administrators, reading coaches, reading interventionists, and K–3 special education teachers. Lexington One will apply, hoping that some of our teachers will be included in Round 1 of LETRS training.

OPERATIONS

With our transition to the new transportation facility the portables on site at the Barr Road location will no longer be of use to the district. They sit on state-owned or leased property, and we are working with the State Department to possibly transfer these portables to them for continued use by the State.

Student Resource Officer (SRO) Grant Funding

Each year the district works with our law enforcement partners to apply for state funding to help cover the cost of SROs. Below are the rewards received for the 2023/2024 school year.

- NEW funding has been awarded to the Pelion Police Department to supply two SROs, one at Pelion High and one at Pelion Middle (25% cost covered by the state). The two Lexington County deputies from these two campuses will be moved to cover two of our elementary schools in the county (to be determined before school starts).
- A continuation in funding has been received by Pelion Police Department at 100% coverage for Forts Pond Elementary School.
- Pelion Police Department also received full funding for two police vehicles.
- NEW funding has also been awarded to Lexington County Sheriff's Department at 100% for Red Bank Elementary and Carolina Springs Elementary to each have a new school resource officer. Full funding for one SRO vehicle was also included.
- A continuation of funding at 100% has been received for Beechwood Middle.
- A continuation of funding has been received for Lexington Police Department to supply an SRO at New Providence Elementary at 100% coverage.

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SUPERINTENDENT

Summer Programs

There are many outstanding summer instructional programs occurring throughout the district. This week we visited *Elementary Summer Connections* and *Kickoff to Kindergarten* at Saxe Gotha Elementary; *Read to Succeed* and *Kickoff to K* at White Knoll Elementary; *Camp Discovery*, at White Knoll Middle; *Elementary Multilingual Learners* at Deerfield; *Rising Stars ESOL* at Lexington High; and *Elementary SpEd Onward Adventures* at Lake Murray Elementary.

FOIA REQUESTS RECEIVED (None)

	Board Work/Action
J U L Y 2 0 2 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strategic Plan Update: LCSD 1 Graduate Profile<input type="checkbox"/> Review Annual Board Work Calendar<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve local board approved courses<input type="checkbox"/> Attend Leading as One breakfast<input type="checkbox"/> Board self-evaluation (postponed to Oct.)<input type="checkbox"/> Attend school events and other community opportunities<input type="checkbox"/> Ribbon Cutting Transportation Facility<input type="checkbox"/> Lex County Council Breakfast

POLICY INTRODUCTIONS (Board policies that will be presented for first reading will be published here at least two weeks prior to first reading).

[Policy CGA Administrative Personnel Compensation Guides and Contracts](#)

HR recommends Policy CGA be removed from board policy. After checking with Assistant General Counsel at the State Department of Education, we have confirmed that Regulation 43-163 was repealed in 1997. Therefore, Policy CGA is no longer accurate and no longer required.

[Policy GBGBA Weapons](#)

HR brings policy GBGBA to the board to outline the District's expectations regarding weapons on District property, consistent with state law.. We currently do not have a stand-alone policy for this, but we are introducing a draft to you that mirrors other district policies throughout the state.



We hope you and your family enjoy a safe and memorable 2023 Independence Day celebration!



Lexington County School District One

Empowering each child to design the future