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A goal without a plan is just a wish.. ~Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

COMMUNICATIONS

For sharing on your social media channels and with your contacts:



Feedback on Draft Strategic Plan

The 2024-2029 Strategic Plan draft and survey have been shared with all Lexington One stakeholders via ParentSquare. It is posted on the Lexington One website. [Click here to review the draft plan](#) and then [complete the 3-question survey](#) to provide your feedback. (Note: this is a high-level summary of strategies. It is not a completely built-out plan.)

FINANCE

Procurement

In the initial six months of the 2024 fiscal year, our expenditure towards minority firms amounted to \$341,019.47, covering 91 purchase orders. The total procurement expenditures from July 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023, reached [\\$44,985,015.37](#). Unfortunately, we currently do not have information on the number of minority bids received. We have taken steps to address this by updating our standard solicitation template form to capture such information as we receive responses from minority firms

LCSD1's procurement code requires the district to advertise most purchase requests over \$25,000 in [South Carolina Business Opportunities](#) (SCBO). Based on that procedure alone the number of minority firms solicited is unlimited for every solicitation published.

Audit

The Request for Proposals (RFP) for Financial and Procurement Auditing Services has been publicly posted on our [procurement website](#) and in [SCBO \(South Carolina Business Opportunities\)](#) as required per [Regulation 19-445.2040](#). We have now entered the **cone of silence** phase of the solicitation process. If you receive questions or calls regarding this request please direct them to Beth Marsh, Director of Procurement.

HUMAN RESOURCES

This week we continue our efforts from a great recruitment fair on Saturday with a community-wide blitz to encourage others to *Come Be the One* to work in Lexington One. Use our hashtag and encourage those you know to join us [#COMEBETHE1](#).



OPERATIONS & STUDENT SERVICES

Love The Bus Month is celebrated every February and is dedicated to the influence of the school bus in American school culture. The holiday appreciates the individuals and organizations involved in the operation of school buses, especially the drivers.



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High School Sports Classifications

The SC High School League completed appeals for school classification placements for 2024-26. These classifications are linked [here](#). No Lexington One schools changed from the initial reclassification (LHS, RBHS, WKHS- 5A; GHS- 4A; PHS- 2A).



Two Lexington One Schools Named Palmetto's Finest Finalists

Congratulations are in order to:
Lexington Technology Center &
Meadow Glen Middle School

They are among six finalists for this award given by the South Carolina Association of School Administrators (SCASA) to schools that offer the best in innovative, effective educational programs. Last fall, 19 South Carolina schools submitted a 20-page application followed by an onsite examination visit from a review committee. The six finalists are currently undergoing a second onsite evaluation before the winners are selected this spring.

Public Feedback on Every Student Succeeds Act Amendment

The South Carolina Department of Education is posting the Every Student Succeeds Act amendment for public comment. Please find the link to the document and feedback form [here](#).

Reminder: Special Called Board Meeting - January 30th at 7:30 a.m.

2023 Statement of Economic Interest Report (SEI) - Due date March 30, 2024

It's time to file your annual report with the SC Ethics Commission. The report should be completed electronically using this [link](#). Please let Tracy know if you need assistance.

FOIA REQUESTS RECEIVED (*none*)



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