

March 1, 2024 - Board Brief

Gerrita Postlewait and Senior Leadership Team

COMMUNICATIONS

Board Meeting Updates

The Board Meeting Recap is the newest e-newsletter added to the regular rotation of communications shared with employees, parents/guardians and community members through ParentSquare.

Community members who are interested in receiving Inside Voice and the Board Meeting Recap can email Libby Roof at lroof@lexington1.net.

S.C. Department of Education Climate Survey

Parents were notified this week of the annual climate survey for students, teachers and parents/guardians. To complete the survey, parents/guardians log in to Parent Portal. They can contact their child's school for an alternative option for completing the survey and/or to review the student survey.

The Student and Teacher Climate Surveys are a rated metric in the school accountability system (school report cards).

FINANCE

Request for Proposals

Both the Long Range Facility Study & Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and the Demographic Study solicitations have been posted to the procurement website.

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

A board member asked for more detailed information regarding the sites and focus of the ESSER-funded summer and extended day programs. This upcoming summer, we will have six elementary sites that serve students who meet eligibility requirements from all of our elementary schools (FPES, GES, LES, LMES, PES and RBES), in addition to three middle school sites (LMS, PMS, and WKMS). The purpose of the summer program is to provide reading and math intervention and support students in transition grades (rising K, rising 3rd, rising 6th). Some rising 4th grade students will participate in the summer program related to Read to Succeed legislation and third grade retention. Approximately 950 students will be served in summer programs. Summer

programs have rotated among various school sites in the district.

The following schools are currently hosting ESSER-funded expanded day programs: CSES, CSMS, GMS, PMS, WKES and WKMS. These programs offer additional math and reading interventions and enrichment experiences that students may not otherwise have exposure to. Some additional schools offer expanded day programs using other funding sources, like Title I and 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grants.

OPERATIONS & STUDENT SERVICES

Athletics

The Lexington High School boys basketball team takes on Byrnes High School for the AAAAA State Championship. They play tonight (3/1) at 8pm at the Florence Center Arena.

Transportation

Lexington One will be hosting three department of education transportation "rodeos" this spring. These competitions provide an opportunity for school transportation professionals (drivers, driver aides and master trainers) from across the state to interact with their peers through friendly driving and knowledge competitions with the common goal of providing safe transportation services for our students. The master trainer competition will be on March 23rd; the SPED championship will be on April 20th, and the bus driver championship will be on April 27th. The events will be held at the new transportation headquarters!

SUPERINTENDENT

During the February board meeting we provided two options for a budget workshop. The date of the workshop will be March 19 at approximately 3:30 p.m., just, prior to the regularly scheduled board meeting.

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Land Acquisition Process

Step 1: Obtain board's permission for real estate agent to discuss possible land acquisition with owner.
Conduct preliminary due diligence.

Step 2: If land status and price are acceptable, obtain board's permission to enter into formal agreement so that further due diligence can occur. This step includes publicly identifying location, scheduling a meeting with the school community for discussion, and obtaining necessary permissions from other agencies.

Step 3: Bring final due diligence results to the board for discussion and/or decision.

	BOARD WORK/ACTION
M	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Second Reading Strategic Plan
A	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approval FY'25 Administrator contracts
R	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Budget workshop
C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Policy Approvals
H	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attend LOEF Celebration o• Attend school events and other community opportunities• School visits

FOIA REQUESTS RECEIVED (None)

