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# Board Meeting Report

February 21, 2019 - Recognition



**BOARD APPRECIATION** ... The Board of Education was recognized in conjunction with Missouri School Board Recognition Week. The goal of Missouri's recognition, which includes a proclamation from Governor Mike Parson, is to increase awareness and understanding of the crucial function an elected board of education plays in the success and advancement of our public schools. Please join us in thanking each of our Board of Education members for their time, commitment, and public service on behalf of the students, staff and stakeholders in the WSD.



**PLTW STUDENT RECOGNITION** ... Holt seniors Michael Blunt, Joe Brickey, Ian Deal and Christian Gard were recognized for having been selected to present at the Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Summit in Kansas City on November 16 about how their PLTW Aerospace Engineering course inspired them with the skills and knowledge they needed to win the Boeing Glider challenge last year. The students presented to over 800 educators, administrators and industry professionals from across the midwest and even had the opportunity to meet with Dr. Vince Bertram, PLTW CEO, and share more about their PLTW classes in the WSD.



**MMEA OUTSTANDING YOUNG EDUCATOR AWARD** ... Jacob England was recognized for having received the 2019 Outstanding Young Educator Award from the



Missouri Music Educators Association. Mr. England is a band instructor at Wentzville Middle and Holt and is also a 2010 Holt graduate. The award is presented annually to an outstanding young music educator who has shown extraordinary promise, diligence and success.



**ALL STATE BAND AND ORCHESTRA** ...Timberland senior Drew Schultz and Timberland sophomore Ben Turley were both recognized for having been selected to the Missouri All-State Band and All-State Orchestra, respectively. Drew and Ben mark only the third and fourth musicians to be selected for an all-state ensemble seat in Timberland High School History. Drew plans to major in music education at Truman State University or the University of Illinois following graduation.

## Personnel



The Board approved Dr. Laura Smith's resignation, effective June 30, 2019. Laura has worked for the WSD for 27 years, most recently as the Executive Director of Student Services. She has accepted a position as the new Assistant Superintendent of Special Services in the Fort Zumwalt School District beginning July 1, 2019.

The Board approved hiring the following summer school administrators:  
Megan Barnes, Summer School Principal at Duello Elementary  
David Porter, Summer School Principal at Stone Creek Elementary  
Austin Koenig, Summer School Principal at Wabash Elementary  
Jessica Hanks, Summer School Principal at Lakeview Elementary  
Victoria Barron, Summer School Principal at Prairie View Elementary

The Board approved adding a second assistant principal position at Duello Elementary for the 2019-2020 school year, based on projected enrollment of over 800 students.

## Superintendent Reports

Dr. Megan Stryjewski, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, presented the [CIA Program Evaluation](#) that included updates on the state Annual Progress Report. The WSD scored a 99.1%, the highest the District has scored since the state started using the evaluation tool six years ago. She shared an update on student MAP scores (for the ninth consecutive year, the WSD scores are in the top 11% in the state). She also shared that our ACT scores increased while the state's score decreased; 21.3 is our highest score since 2015. In addition, the District's 2018 graduation rate of 95.2% is the highest in the past six years.

Meghan Aydelott, Content Leader in the Practical Arts, presented a [Career & Technical Education update](#) for the Board, which includes how many middle and high school students are enrolled in current CTE classes and the District's goals for increasing CTE offerings moving forward.

John Schulte, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services, presented an update to the Board as to the District's work with MGT Consulting Group, the demographer the Board approved back in November to conduct a new demographic study and assist with the redistricting process for the new high school and the new elementary school. Mr. Schulte shared a [tentative timeline for the Boundary process](#), which includes forming a Boundary Committee in March and submitting a recommendation for new boundaries to the Board in December, 2019.

## New Business

The Board approved the [Redistricting Criteria and Weighting](#) that will be used by the Boundary Committee to establish the District's new elementary, middle and high school boundaries.

The Board approved [raising tuition rates](#) for the Chautauqua Before and After School Program, beginning with the 2019-2020 school year. Rates have remained the same since 2011.

The Board approved the [2020-2021 Academic Calendar](#). Mr. Schulte shared that late start dates are not on the calendar because they have not been determined and they are still instructional days for students.

**Next (Special) Board Meeting: March 6, 2019**  
**Next Regular Board Meeting: March 21, 2019**

