

BUCKEYE LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 23, 2026
6:30 p.m.

“BUCKEYE – WE EDUCATE FOR SUCCESS.”

VISION STATEMENT

The Buckeye Local School District unifies individuals, communities, and resources to create a **WORLD CLASS LEARNING COMMUNITY** that gives **ALL** students the opportunity to be successful in **THEIR** future.

GOALS

The Buckeye Local Board of Education has established the following goals:

The board of education will achieve excellence in learner-focused governance.

The board of education will conduct efficient and effective meetings.

The board of education will increase community and staff trust and satisfaction.

This meeting is a meeting of the board of education in public for the purpose of conducting the school district's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda. Please complete a public participation form and submit it to the board president prior to the start of the meeting.

Board Policy # 0165.1, Item B

Buckeye Local Board of Education

Shannon Pike, President

Stephanie Patriarco, Vice President

Gregory Kocjancic

Chad Miller

Roman Vencill

Mr. Patrick Colucci
Superintendent

Mrs. Kassandra Brand
Treasurer

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1. Opening Items

A. Call to Order

B. Roll Call of Members

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C. Meditation

D. Pledge of Allegiance

E. Communications/Special Reports

F. Public Participation Relative to Agenda Items (Bylaw 0169.1) & the Following:

Please complete a public participation form and submit it to the board president prior to the start of the meeting. We welcome your comments and/or questions during this time. Statements shall be limited to three (3) minutes. Please keep comments brief and to the point. Do not reflect adversely on the political or economic view, ethnic background, character, or motives of any individual.

G. Correspondence

2. Treasurer's Report

Reports & Recommendations:

It is the recommendation of the Treasurer that the BOE approve the following items as presented in 2A – 2N:

A. Approve the May 19, 2026 BOE Regular meeting minutes, as presented to the board on June 22, 2026.

B. Approve bills paid in May and the financial reports as presented to the board on June 22, 2026.

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C. FY2026 Final Appropriations

Approve the Final Appropriations for fiscal year 2026, as presented in **Exhibit A**.

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D. Amended Certificate

Authorize the Treasurer to request an Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources from the County Auditor.

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E. Advances

Authorize the Treasurer to advance funds from the general fund to the following funds. All funds will be repaid to the general fund during fiscal year 2027.

- 200-0000 National Honors Society \$1,457.08
- 572-9026 Title I FY2026 \$12,551.79
- 584-9026 Title IV FY2026 \$5,500.00
- 590-9026 Title II FY2026 \$5,547.86

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F. FY2027 Temporary Appropriations

Approve fiscal year 2027 temporary appropriations at 25% of fiscal year 2026 expenditures for the following funds:

- 001 General Fund
- 003 Permanent Improvement Fund
- 006 Lunchroom Fund
- 070 Capital Projects Fund

And to appropriate the unencumbered balances for the following funds:

- 009 Uniform Supply Fund
- 018 Student Activity Funds
- 019 Other Grants
- 200 Student Activity Funds
- 300 Student Activity Funds
- 416-9000 Local Professional Development Grant
- 499-9004 Best Practices Grant
- 499-9024 ARC Wastewater/Pump Station Grant
- 499-9026 Bus Safety Grant
- 499-9050 AG Safety Training Grant
- 572-9026 Title I Grant
- 584-9026 Title IV Grant
- 590-9026 Title II Grant

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G. Athletic Transfer

Authorize the transfer of \$35,000.00 from the general fund into Fund 300-0000 for athletics.

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H. Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority, Inc. (SORSA)

Approve the participation agreement with Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority, Inc. (SORSA) for the district's property and liability insurance for fiscal year 2027, effective July 1, 2026, as presented in **Exhibit B**.

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I. Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project Change Orders

Approve the two (2) Change Orders as listed below:

- Change Order #1 - Approve the change order for 36" Concentric Cones in the amount of \$4,870.25, as presented in **Exhibit C**.
- Change Order #2 - Approve the change order for Air Release Valve Seal Kits in the amount of \$11,890.00, as presented in **Exhibit D**.

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J. Kingsville Elementary School Façade Repair and Preventative Maintenance

Accept the combined base and alternate proposal from Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc. for facade repair work at Kingsville Elementary School, as presented in **Exhibit E**.

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K. Equipment Disposal Requests

Approve the list of equipment to be disposed of, as presented in **Exhibit F**.

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L. Exterior Athletic Facility Improvements

Approve the agreement between AstroTurf Corporation and Buckeye Local Schools for exterior athletic facility improvements at Edgewood High School, including the construction of a new eight-lane track, installation of three new tennis courts, and renovation of the existing three tennis courts, as presented in **Exhibit G**. This project supports student athletic programming, reduces reliance on outside facilities, expands opportunities for hosting events, and enhances community recreational access while remaining consistent with the District's long-term capital plan.

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M. Corlew Stadium Bleachers Repair

Review the proposals received to replace all existing wood boards on the home side bleachers at Corlew Stadium and approve a vendor and contract amount as determined by the Board during the meeting.

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N. Restroom Dividers

Approve the quote from Shiffler Equipment Sales for the installation of restroom solid partitions at Kingsville Elementary School, as presented in **Exhibit H**.

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3. **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent's Reports & Recommendations

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the BOE approve the following items as presented in 3A – 3E:

A. Administrative and Student Support– Additional Responsibilities for the 2026-27 School Year

- 1) Jenny Riedel, Edgewood Assistant Principal, \$7,500 stipend for additional responsibilities as District Online Coordinator (paid out of Title I funds).
- 2) Alissa Zappitelli, Special Education Supervisor, \$2,500 stipend for additional responsibilities as District Test Coordinator (paid out of Title I funds).

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B. Athletic Policy – Student/Parent Handbook

Approve the Athletic Student/Parent Handbook for the 2026-27 school year, as presented in **Exhibit I**.

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C. Kingsville Public Library 2027 Tax Budget and Financial Statement

Approve the 2027 Tax Budget and financial statement for the Kingsville Public Library, as presented in **Exhibit J**.

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D. Band Camp Overnight Trip

Approve the request to hold band camp at Penn West University, Edinboro, PA from Sunday, July 19 through Friday, July 24, 2026, pending all proper certifications.

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E. Accept Gifts

- 1) Accept a donation from Alana and Chad Miller in the amount of \$85.38 for Student of the Month.
- 2) Accept a donation from Jim DuFour of new flowers, bushes, and mulch valued at \$350.00 used for the Edgewood High School sign project.

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4. **Personnel**

It is the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board approve the following Personnel items as presented in 4A-4L:

Certified Staff:

A. Certified - Appointments

- 1) Ethan Leube, Social Studies teacher at Edgewood High School, B, 0 yrs. exp., \$39,816, effective August 17, 2026.
- 2) Amanda Perisa-Semancik, Intervention Specialist at Kingsville Elementary, M+20, 14 yrs. exp., \$78,039, effective August 17, 2026.
- 3) Kevin Wahlmark, Chemistry teacher at Edgewood High School, M+20, 17 yrs. exp., \$81,025, effective August 17, 2026.

B. Certified – Change in Assignment

- 1) Heather Shorter, from 7th grade Math teacher at Braden to 1st grade teacher at Ridgeview Elementary.
- 2) Julie Oberg, from RIF list to 2nd grade teacher at Ridgeview Elementary.
- 3) Angela Wargula, from 2nd grade teacher at Ridgeview Elementary to 3rd grade teacher at Ridgeview Elementary.

C. Certified – Tutor

Kira Campbell, Extended School Year tutor, Ridgeview Elementary, for a total of 7 hours at the hourly tutor rate of pay of \$27.06 per hour.

D. Certified – Technology

Gregory Stolfer, Technology, approve 175 additional hours for the 2026-27 school year, effective July 1, 2026.

E. Certified – 2026-27 Supplemental (Building) Contracts

Approve the list of certified employees for extra-curricular & special fee assignments as presented in **Exhibit K**.

F. Certified – Resignations

- 1) Brittany Lefker, 7th grade Math teacher at Braden Middle School, effective at the end of the 2025-26 school year.

G. **SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION TO APPOINT NON-CERTIFIED / NON-LICENSED NON-EMPLOYEE(S) TO SUPPLEMENTAL POSITION(S)**

WHEREAS, the Buckeye Local Board of Education strives to appoint qualified certified/licensed employees to fulfill supplemental contracts; and

WHEREAS, the board has offered the following supplemental position(s) to certified/licensed employee(s) of the district; and

WHEREAS, no such employee(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

WHEREAS, the position(s) was then advertised to certified/licensed individual(s) who are not employed by the board; and

WHEREAS, no such person(s) qualified to fill the position(s) has accepted it; and

WHEREAS, the board has deemed the following non-licensed/non-certified individuals identified below as qualified to fill the supplemental position(s);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buckeye Local Board of Education, in compliance with O.R.C. 3313.53(D), awards the following supplemental contract(s), for the school year indicated below, to the following person(s):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Yrs Exp</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Gretchen Hill	Asst. Cross Country	2026-27	8/01/26	4	\$3,583.44
Sidney Melaragno	Asst. 7/8 Volleyball	2026-27	8/01/26	0	\$3,981.60
Mahlea Pierson	Asst. 7/8 Volleyball	2026-27	8/01/26	0	\$3,981.60

Classified Staff:

H. Classified – Appointments

- 1) Roger Kubat, Bus Driver #20 for the District, 8 hours per day, Step 1 of 25, \$20.78 per hour, effective August 17, 2026.
- 2) Melinda Raymond, Bus Driver-Floater for the District, 8 hours per day, Step 1 of 25, \$20.78 per hour, effective August 17, 2026.
- 3) Kristin Sparks, Van Driver for the District, 6 hours per day, Step 1 of 25, \$17.66 per hour, effective August 17, 2026.

I. Classified – Resignation

Candy Shelott, SMEA at Kingsville Elementary, effective at the end of the 2025-26 school year.

J. Classified – Retirement

Rebecca Gaines, Cafeteria Manager at Edgewood High School, effective July 1, 2026. Ms. Gaines has served the Buckeye School District for 30 years.

K. Classified – Substitutes

Approve the list of classified substitutes for the 2026-2027 school year, as presented in **Exhibit L.**

L. One-Year Temporary Non-Bachelor’s Substitute Teaching License 2026-27 School Year

In accordance with the passage of Senate Bill 1 of the 134th General Assembly, the Ohio Department of Education has been granted the authority to issue a one-time, non-renewable One-Year Temporary Non-Bachelor’s Substitute Teaching License for the 2026-27 school to applicants who do not hold a post-secondary degree but meet the employing school or district’s educational requirement with board approval.

- 1) Cheryl Damron
- 2) Rebecca Forbes
- 3) Donna Holbrooks
- 4) Rachel Kemmerle
- 5) William Luce
- 6) Josephine Measel
- 7) Lisa Miller

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All personnel appointments are contingent upon possessing or obtaining the appropriate certification/licensure, validation, and/or permit as required by law and board policy as well as satisfactory physical examination, criminal background check and/or current CPR training where applicable.

5. Visitor Participation Relative to New Items (non-agenda items)

Please complete a public participation form and submit it to the board president prior to the start of the meeting. Please limit your comments to three minutes or less.

6. Other Business – FYI

7. Adjournment

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