

# Board of Education

## MEETING RECAP

November 2023

### Moment of Excellence

#### Kase Cribbet | Williamsburg Elementary School

Kase was recognized by Mr. Dunn and his teachers for being an exemplary student in showing the Wildcat Way. Kase always gives his best to others, and he finds ways to give his best effort in taking care of our school. At the last home football game, Kase cleaned up the trash in the kids' play area, unprompted by any adult. We appreciate his efforts in keeping our campus clean and in being a role model for other students!



### Superintendent's Celebrations

- The Elementary School hosted Math Night on November 14. There was a great turnout for the event - thanks to the teachers and Mr. Dunn for hosting this fun evening.
- The fall sports season has wrapped up with the end of the Varsity Football season. We were proud to host two playoff games at our beautiful facilities this year. All teams have held an award night, and we honored 87 scholar athletes this season.
- We continue to celebrate the 4.5 star rating that we received on our report card this year, and work toward maintaining and improving our rating.
- On November 10, we held a district-wide Veteran's Day ceremony, where we honored the many veterans in our community and across the country. Special thanks to Chief Warrant Officer 2 Greg Price, for addressing our students and guests, and encouraging us to be 1% better every day.
- On October 24, twenty students were inducted in to the National Honor Society. It was a great night to acknowledge this distinguished group of young people.

### Resolution Regarding Levy of Taxes

The Board of Education decided to place a 5-year Renewal Emergency Levy on the ballot in March. This is the exact renewal that was passed in 2013 and 2018. In light of the recent levy result and the economic times we are in now, we will revisit any different levy type during our next renewal period in 5 years if that is the wish of the BOE.



# Treasurer's Five Year Forecast

## REVENUE

- Burg Schools have two main sources of general fund revenue: Local real estate taxes (43%) and State Foundation (57%).
- Revenues from South Afton Industrial Park are committed to the M/H Roof and local share of new Elementary School.
- Higher real estate values and new Ohio biennial budget (HB33) deliver improved revenue to the school district.
- Unfortunately, the district will lose \$997,000 per calendar year starting in 2025 unless Emergency Operating Levy is renewed.

## EXPENSES

- Schools are a "People Business"- over 79% of our annual expenses come from salaries and benefits for teachers and staff.
- Cost of living wage increases, coupled with benefit inflation (especially healthcare), are key drivers of forecast expenditures.
- Like all of us, the district is also experiencing double-digit inflation for goods and services the past few years.
- Federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) expires at the end of FY2024 shifting costs back to general fund.


## BOTTOM LINE

- Burg Schools currently stand on strong financial footing. The district is well-positioned to absorb the inflationary increases forecast through FY2028, provided we renew the Emergency Operating Levy. If, however, the Operating Levy is not renewed the district will have an operating deficit, cutting our operating capital reserves (carryover) in half by end of FY2028. Renewal of the Emergency Operating Levy is crucial to our long-term financial health.



## Donations

The Board of Education would like to thank the following groups for their donations:

- Dove Carpet Care - Donation of Services
  - Athletic Boosters - MS/HS 018 Account from Split the Pot
  - Savion LLC - Needy Kids Fund
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# Elementary Report Card Presentation from Mr. Dunn

Williamsburg Elementary School earned a 4.5 star overall rating on the most recent local report card. Schools receive an overall rating of 1 to 5 stars in half-star increments.

- W.E.S. earned 5 stars on the *Achievement component rating*, which means W.E.S. significantly exceeds state standards in academic achievement.
- W.E.S. earned 4 stars on the *Gap Closing component rating*, which means W.E.S. exceeds state standards in closing educational gaps.
- W.E.S. earned 4 stars on the *Early Literacy component rating*, which means W.E.S. exceeds state standards in early literacy (K-3).
- W.E.S. earned 3 stars on the *Progress component rating*, which means there's evidence that W.E.S. met student growth expectations.

Overall, Williamsburg Elementary School was consistently at or near the top in the county with regards to state test scores in grades 3-5 and local report card ratings for the 2022-2023 school year.



## Supplemental Positions

- Beth Kellerman - RESA Mentor Teacher
- Scot Young - Varsity Baseball Coach
- Trevor Grant - Reserve Baseball Coach
- Rick Healey - Varsity Softball Coach
- Chris Rolph - Boys Varsity Track Coach
- Karen Healey - Girls Varsity Track Coach
- Tony Stidham - 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
- Tim Boland - 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
- Nick Ayers - Strength Training/Weight Room
- Christi Cleaver - Director: High School Musical

## Volunteer Positions

- Wade Posey - Wrestling
- Jeremy Artrip - Wrestling
- Mark Isaac - Wrestling
- Garrett Kenneda - Wrestling
- Corey Stith - Wrestling
- William Sefton - Swimming
- Jonah Karschnick - Swimming
- Donnie Donohoo - Boys Basketball
- Abel Mickels - Drill Team
- Sarah Negley - Drill Team
- Kevin Lockwood - High School Musical

## Resignations

- Connie Scott - 7th Grade Girls Basketball
- Nate Bogan - 7th Grade Boys Basketball
- Kevin Lockwood - Director High School Musical

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