EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
FOR THE WEST ALLIS-WEST MILWAUKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA

Topic: Temporarily Waive Board Policies 3122.01, 4122.01, 7434, and 830 Rule-2, for a City of West Allis Fireworks Event on School District Property

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Date: May 18, 2026 **Agenda Reference #** 11.3

Recommended Action:

X	**Discussion/Action**
	Presentation/Discussion
	Information Only
	Presentation/Action Next Meeting

Background:
Since 2023, the City of West Allis has annually requested to host its 4th of July Fireworks Event at the West Allis Athletic Complex. In 2023, 2024 and 2025 the Board of Education approved the request. The location has proven to be well received by the community, guests, and city officials. The City of West Allis is requesting use of the West Allis Athletic Complex for their 2026 4th of July Fireworks display, scheduled for July 4th, 2026.

The City of West Allis is required to hold a single day certificate of insurance as the host of the event.

Tailgating and picnicking will be permitted and we anticipate members of the public will enjoy alcoholic beverages as part of the event. Because of this tradition, we are asking the Board of Education to temporarily waive policies that prohibit alcohol on school grounds and to temporarily waive the policy that prohibits the use of tobacco and nicotine on school grounds.

The West Allis Police Department will be on premises during the event and will respond to any member of the public who over indulges in alcoholic beverages and/or creates any disruption or disturbance.

Purpose:
The annual City of West Allis fireworks event has allowed the consumption of alcohol during the annual fireworks event in the past, and that the School District of West Allis-West Milwaukee et. al., bans the possession of alcohol and use of tobacco and nicotine on school district property as stated in Board Policies; 3122.01 and 4122.01 - Drug-Free Workplace, Board Policy 7434 - Use of Tobacco and Nicotine on School Premises, and Board Rule 830 Rule-2 - Facility Usage Policy and Procedures. These board policies will need to be temporarily waived by the Board of Education in order to provide for a July 4th celebration consistent with past practice and approve the City of West Allis facility usage request.

Recommendation(s):
Administration recommends temporarily waiving Board Policies 3122.01 and 4122.01 - Drug-Free Workplace and Board Policy 7434 - Use of Tobacco and Nicotine on School Premises, and Board Rule 830 Rule-2 - Facility Usage Policy and Procedures, for the dates of July 4, 2026, and July 5, 2026 (rain date) on the West Allis Athletic Complex and Nathan Hale High School Grounds.

Attachments:
Policy 3122.01
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Policy 7434
Policy 830-Rule-2