



BLOOMFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION - BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

Board of Education Regular Meeting AT Tuesday, January 9, 2024

Bloomfield Board of Education 1133 Blue Hills Avenue Board Room, 1133 Blue Hills Avenue ,
Bloomfield, CT 06002

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L. Easmon



BLOOMFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

Bloomfield Board of Education, Board Room

1133 Blue Hills Avenue

Bloomfield, CT 06002

Attendance: L. Easmon, Chair Present
H. Frydman, Vice Chair Present
F. Bogle-Assegai, Secretary Present
T. Moore Present
K. Dunbar Present
T. Mack-Mohammed Present **arrived at 7:51 p.m.*
L. Simone Present

Also Present: J. Thompson, Superintendent of Schools
W. Guzman, Chief Operations Officer
D. Nesmith, Assistant Superintendent for Accountability and Performance
D. Moleti, Human Resources Director
L. Lamenzo, Director of School improvement
J. Titelbaum, District Data Systems Coordinator
W. Shepard-Bannish, Director of Student Support Services
J. White, Principal, Bloomfield High School
P. Guzzo, Principal, Metacomet Elementary School

1. Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order

L. Easmon determined a quorum was present and the Bloomfield Board of Education Regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

All rose to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Opening Statement

F. Bogle-Assegai, Board Secretary, welcomed all attendees. The purpose and process of the Board of Education meeting were stated.

4. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting – November 14, 2023

A motion was made by H. Frydman and seconded by T. Moore for the Bloomfield Board of Education approve the meeting minutes from the regular meeting on November 14, 2023, as presented.

L. Easmon Aye
H. Frydman Aye
F. Bogle-Assegai Aye



K. Dunbar	Aye
T. Moore	Aye
L. Simone	Aye

The motion passed unanimously 6-0-0.

B. Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting – November 28, 2023

A motion was made by H. Frydman and seconded by T. Moore for the Bloomfield Board of Education approve the meeting minutes from the special meeting on November 28, 2023, as presented.

L. Easmon	Aye
H. Frydman	Aye
F. Bogle-Assegai	Aye
K. Dunbar	Aye
T. Moore	Aye
L. Simone	Aye

The motion passed unanimously 6-0-0.

5. Presentations

A. Student Representative Report – Bloomfield High School

Two student representatives from Bloomfield High School (BHS) shared a Power Point providing updates from the school. The students reported on recent Honor Roll ceremony and student leadership events. In addition, it was reported the boys and girls soccer teams made the state tournament, the football team will be competing in the state championship game and the girls' soccer team was honored with a sportsmanship award. Recent events include the Holiday Bazaar at the AgriScience Center, Financial Aid Night and a performance by the Voices of Inspiration at the Town Tree Lighting. Upcoming events were also shared.

6. Public/PTO Comment

No public comments.

7. Superintendent's Report

A. Superintendent's Update

Dr. James Thompson, Jr. provided an update to the Board of Education members for the month of December. He congratulated the Bloomfield High football team for winning the CIAC Class S state title and recognized the student artwork from Metacomet Elementary School. Dr. Thompson provided high level overview on student attendance, with a presentation from Jason Titelbaum on the agenda. The Superintendent further highlighted the family workshop series and PJ Day in support of positive climate. He wished all a wonderful holiday and happy New Year.



B. Financial Report – November 2023

Mr. William Guzman, Chief Operations Office reported on the financials as of December 8, 2023. He noted that 9.06% of the adopted budget has yet to be expended or encumbered.

Mr. Guzman noted on the one-page summary report, major account 01 Certified Salaries, is over-budget by \$326,127 as the district has yet to book receivables for special education.

On page 1 of the six-page detail report, sub accounts 1110 – Salaries, Teachers, 1240 – Salaries, Clerical and page 2, 2170 – Insurance Buy-Out are over budget.

On page 4, sub account 5630 – Tuition, Private is over budget by \$475,432. This is overage is expected to be eliminated when the district receives revenue for the Excess Cost Grant. These payments are expected in February and May of 2024.

F. Bogle-Assegai asked when the district expects payment for special education services. Mr. Guzman noted invoices are sent monthly.

H. Frydman asked to provide information regarding the total payments received per year. Mr. Guzman will send out to the members of the Board.

T. Moore asked for more information regarding the Insurance Buy-Out sub account. Mr. Guzman noted that there is an incentive paid to those employees who opt out of the district insurance. It was noted the amount is based on contract. Mr. Guzman stated there is a cost savings to the district when an employee opts-out of insurance.

L. Easmon inquired about the Excess Cost Grant. Mr. Guzman stated when the district develops the budget, we anticipate receiving about 70% of the final grant amount.

C. Health Related Issues

Wendy Shepard-Bannish, Director of Student Support Services, provided a health report for the district. She specifically gave updates on two recent letters sent from Laurel Literacy Academy and Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School. Mrs. Shepard-Bannish noted that if a cluster of cases is identified, they are required to notify the West Hartford-Bloomfield Health District. In such cases, they will be provided guidance to mitigate spread such as heightened cleaning protocols and notifying families.

It was inquired about clinics. Mrs. Shepard-Bannish noted the financial support to support a clinic has expired since the pandemic ended. She further stated the health district will often partner with Social and Youth Services to provide community resources.



It was requested to provide information to the Board of Education on regular air filtration cleaning and an update on water testing.

8. Old Business

No old business

9. New Business

A. Report on 2023-2024 Student Attendance

Jason Titelbaum, District Data Systems Coordinator gave an overview of student attendance, what is report and how attendance is monitored.

Attendance is reported by average daily attendance rate and chronic absenteeism. This is reported to the State Department of Education monthly and is publically reported on EdSight. The district also tracks attendance on a daily basis by school.

Mr. Titelbaum reviewed the definition of chronic absenteeism and Bloomfield data. Attendance information is reviewed on a monthly basis and trends are identified. Each school identifies strategies and programs specific to the needs of their students to address absenteeism.

F. Bogle–Assegai inquired about the identification of high needs students, when our district has a free lunch program. Mr. Titelbaum clarified that those students who qualify for free or reduced meal pricing also receive other benefits.

H. Frydman inquired about a district truancy officer. Mr. Titelbaum noted the district is working on automated calls for student absences. He also noted that staff make phone calls in the event of student absences, and will make home visits, if necessary.

K. Dunbar inquired about the incentive programs. It was noted each school has its own strategies, and incentive programs can include recognitions for perfect attendance such as the high school honor roll ceremony.

B. Review and Possible Action on the Bloomfield Administrators Association Contract for July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2027

A motion was made by H. Frydman and seconded by F. Bogle-Assegai for the Bloomfield Board of Education to move agenda item 9B ~~back~~ to the Finance Committee for further discussion.

L. Easmon	Aye
H. Frydman	Aye
F. Bogle-Assegai	Aye
K. Dunbar	Aye
T. Moore	Aye
L. Simone	Aye
T. Mack-Mohammed	Aye



The motion passed unanimously 7-0-0.

No presentation was made. This will go to the Finance Committee in January.

10. Board Comments

L. Simone congratulated the Bloomfield High School football team members on their state championship. She appreciates the opportunity to serve the community of Bloomfield.

T. Moore congratulated the Bloomfield Warhawks on their Class S title championship. He wished everyone a happy holiday and a happy New Year.

T. Grant-Mohammed apologized for her tardiness. She also congratulated the high school. Encourages all to enjoy time off with family and wished all a wonderful holiday.

K. Dunbar extended her congratulations to the football and soccer teams. She wished all a wonderful holiday and enjoy time off.

F. Bogle-Assegai congratulated the sports teams on their continued success. She also encouraged all to enjoy family and the holidays. She reminded the viewing public that the Board meetings are open to the public and welcomes hearing from the community.

H. Frydman stated he was proud to see an audience in attendance. He noted it is about 6 months until graduation and now is the time for Bloomfield seniors to start planning. He also encouraged residents to view the artistic atmosphere around town. He wished all a happy yule tide and turning of the calendar.

L. Easmon gave a shout-out to the athletic teams. She also recognized the Middle School students who were recognized for honor roll and high academic achievements. She wished all a happy holiday and encouraged all to stay safe.

11. Discussion and Possible Action Re: Personnel Matter (discussion proposed for Executive Session)

A motion was made by H. Frydman and seconded by T. Moore for the Bloomfield Board of Education to enter into Executive Session for the purpose discussing a personnel matter. They further invited Attorney Andrew Crumbie to participate.

L. Easmon	Aye
H. Frydman	Aye
F. Bogle-Assegai	Aye
K. Dunbar	Aye
T. Moore	Aye
L. Simone	Aye
T. Mack-Mohammed	Aye

The motion passed unanimously 7-0-0.



The Board members convened into Executive Session at 8:08 p.m. and returned to public session at 9:03 p.m.

12. Adjournment

At 9:04 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by H. Frydman and seconded by T. Mack-Mohammed.

The motion passed unanimously 7-0-0.

F. Bogle-Assegai, Secretary

J. Thompson, Ed. D., Superintendent



Board of Education Special Meeting

Thursday, December 14, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Virtually via Zoom (fully remote meeting)

Link to join the meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83098749650?pwd=a01xM0RuWlVwaERtR0Q2VjJHsk5ZQT09>

Meeting ID: 830 9874 9650

Passcode: M6DWL6

Dial-In Number: (929) 205-6099

Meeting ID: 830 9874 9650

Passcode: 879350

Attendance:	L. Easmon, Chair	Present
	H. Frydman, Vice Chair	Present
	F. Bogle-Assegai, Secretary	Present
	K. Dunbar	Present
	T. Moore	Present
	T. Mack-Mohammed	Present
	L. Simone	Present

1. Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order

L. Easmon determined a quorum was present and the Bloomfield Board of Education special meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. New Business

A. Consideration and Possible Action regarding Superintendent's contract

A motion was made by H. Frydman and seconded by T. Moore for the Bloomfield Board of Education to consider termination of Superintendent James Thompson's employment contract with the Bloomfield Public Schools.

L. Easmon	Aye
H. Frydman	Aye
F. Bogle-Assegai	Aye
K. Dunbar	Aye
T. Mack-Mohammed	Aye
T. Moore	Aye
L. Simon	Aye

The motion was passed unanimously 8-0-0.

3. Adjournment

At 6:03 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by H. Frydman and seconded by Thomas Moore.



L. Easmon	Aye
H. Frydman	Aye
F. Bogle-Assegai	Aye
K. Dunbar	Aye
T. Mack-Mohammed	Aye
T. Moore	Aye
L. Simon	Aye

The motion was passed unanimously 8-0-0.

F. Bogle-Assegai, Secretary

J. Thompson, Ed. D., Superintendent



Global Experience Magnet School



Board of Education Meeting

January 9th, 2024



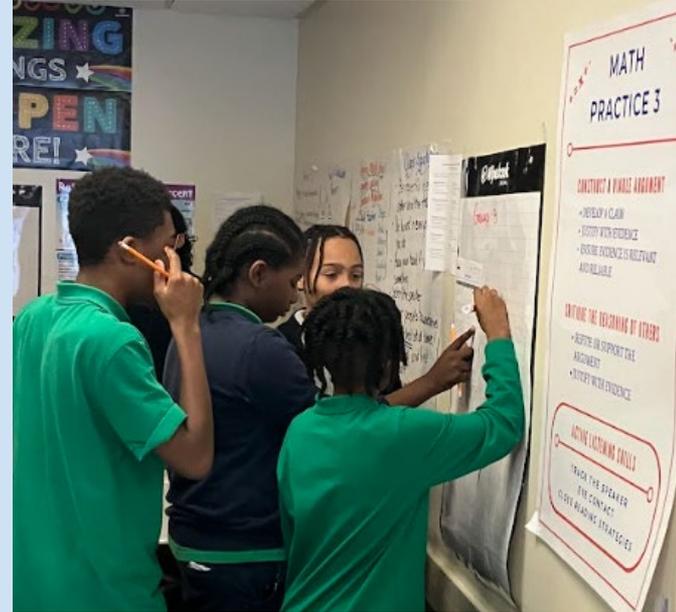
Student Introduction



- My name is Mari Carchrie-Leigh and I am a tenth grader at GEMS. This is my fifth year, hailing from Broad Brook. I am a member of the National Honor Society and a leader in our Activists Club. Outside of school, I enjoy participating in Irish step competitions and the Boy Scouts of America.



Active Learning





Trimester 1 Honors Ceremony





GEMS in the Community





RSCO Recruitment Fair





GEMS Athletics





Ying Yu Museum, Boston



Fundraising for a Cause





Upcoming Events

- Exhibitions- January 30-31
- 7th and 8th Grade trip to Boston- March
- Family Night- Ice Skating at Veterans Memorial Ice Rink, West Hartford



Thank you!



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BOE EXPENDITURE REPORT BY MAJOR OBJECT

Account Number / Description	Revised budget 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024	Expenses YTD 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024	Encumbrances 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024	Balance Before Req's Sub. 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024	Submitted Requisitions 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024	Balance After Req's Sub	Percent Remaining 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2024
01 CERTIFIED SALARIES	\$15,821,328.00	\$7,177,759.70	\$8,948,769.12	\$(305,200.82)	\$0.00	\$(305,200.82)	(1.92)%
02 NON-CERTIFIED SALARIES	\$8,381,606.00	\$3,774,307.79	\$4,054,974.38	\$552,323.83	\$0.00	\$552,323.83	6.58%
03 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$11,427,928.00	\$4,840,801.55	\$4,967,433.92	\$1,619,692.53	\$0.00	\$1,619,692.53	14.17%
04 CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$1,963,859.00	\$978,068.72	\$839,393.45	\$146,396.83	\$0.00	\$146,396.83	7.45%
05 PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	\$4,051,795.00	\$2,786,046.06	\$1,198,691.36	\$67,057.58	\$0.00	\$67,057.58	1.65%
06 INSURANCE	\$198,997.00	\$109,438.98	\$89,557.90	\$0.12	\$0.00	\$0.12	0.00%
07 COMMUNICATIONS	\$127,886.00	\$61,048.70	\$47,945.18	\$18,892.12	\$0.00	\$18,892.12	14.77%
08 TUITION	\$7,496,966.00	\$1,570,438.51	\$4,318,528.46	\$1,607,999.03	\$78,720.00	\$1,529,279.03	21.44%
09 OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$80,354.00	\$33,559.36	\$23,416.15	\$23,378.49	\$0.00	\$23,378.49	29.09%
10 SUPPLIES	\$380,727.00	\$234,589.39	\$56,509.31	\$89,628.30	\$0.00	\$89,628.30	23.54%
11 OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS	\$1,559,615.00	\$547,345.18	\$990,906.11	\$21,363.71	\$0.00	\$21,363.71	1.36%
12 TEXTBOOKS/LIBRARY BOOKS/OTHER SUPPL	\$51,430.00	\$25,840.03	\$359.60	\$25,230.37	\$3,358.80	\$21,871.57	49.05%
13 EQUIPMENT	\$73,043.00	\$29,281.92	\$4,717.00	\$39,044.08	\$0.00	\$39,044.08	53.45%
14 MISCELLANEOUS	\$156,777.00	\$81,655.32	\$32,453.82	\$42,667.86	\$430.00	\$42,237.86	27.21%
GRAND TOTAL	\$51,772,311.00	\$22,250,181.21	\$25,573,655.76	\$3,948,474.03	\$82,508.80	\$3,865,965.23	7.62%

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1110 SALARIES, TEACHER	\$13,367,703.00	\$5,901,569.10	\$7,808,858.37	\$(342,724.47)	\$0.00	\$(342,724.47)	(2.56)%
1115 SALARIES, ADMIN	\$2,453,625.00	\$1,276,190.60	\$1,139,910.75	\$37,523.65	\$0.00	\$37,523.65	1.52%
01 CERTIFIED SALARIES	\$15,821,328.00	\$7,177,759.70	\$8,948,769.12	\$(305,200.82)	\$0.00	\$(305,200.82)	(1.92)%
1210 SALARIES, PROFESSIONAL STAFF	\$410,862.00	\$207,512.81	\$244,258.83	\$(40,909.64)	\$0.00	\$(40,909.64)	(9.95)%
1215 SALARIES, JROTC	\$116,100.00	\$8,691.66	\$98,036.04	\$9,372.30	\$0.00	\$9,372.30	8.07%
1220 SALARIES, TUTOR	\$253,206.00	\$129,263.74	\$89,429.42	\$34,512.84	\$0.00	\$34,512.84	13.63%
1230 SALARIES, PARA	\$1,921,450.00	\$746,400.82	\$1,026,489.46	\$148,559.72	\$0.00	\$148,559.72	7.73%
1235 SALARIES, NURSES	\$405,659.00	\$167,035.12	\$179,068.40	\$59,555.48	\$0.00	\$59,555.48	14.68%
1240 SALARIES, CLERICAL	\$1,493,621.00	\$756,058.32	\$804,696.95	\$(67,134.27)	\$0.00	\$(67,134.27)	(4.49)%
1244 SALARIES, CLERICAL CAO	\$87,796.00	\$45,478.72	\$40,193.96	\$2,123.32	\$0.00	\$2,123.32	2.41%
1246 SALARIES, CLERICAL OFF INSTR LEAD.	\$6,516.00	\$6,515.04	\$0.00	\$0.96	\$0.00	\$0.96	0.01%
1250 SALARIES, BUSINESS OFFICE	\$554,372.00	\$266,707.96	\$276,531.54	\$11,132.50	\$0.00	\$11,132.50	2.00%
1255 SALARIES, TECHNICAL SUPPORT	\$357,766.00	\$187,165.75	\$160,873.22	\$9,727.03	\$0.00	\$9,727.03	2.71%
1257 SALARIES, RESIDENCY OFFICER	\$76,763.00	\$41,128.22	\$35,634.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
1260 SALARIES, CUSTODIAN	\$1,431,274.00	\$657,234.17	\$684,197.69	\$89,842.14	\$0.00	\$89,842.14	6.27%
1265 SALARIES, MAINTENANCE	\$667,682.00	\$336,102.39	\$320,796.57	\$10,783.04	\$0.00	\$10,783.04	1.61%
1270 SALARIES, MONITOR	\$240,263.00	\$101,590.15	\$77,591.30	\$61,081.55	\$0.00	\$61,081.55	25.42%

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1275 SALARIES, CROSSING GUARD	\$39,187.00	\$13,912.18	\$17,176.22	\$8,098.60	\$0.00	\$8,098.60	20.66%
1280 SALARIES, SUPPORT	\$26,433.00	\$9,642.43	\$0.00	\$16,790.57	\$0.00	\$16,790.57	63.52%
1290 OVERTIME, SUPPORT	\$292,656.00	\$93,868.31	\$0.00	\$198,787.69	\$0.00	\$198,787.69	67.92%
02 NON-CERTIFIED SALARIES	\$8,381,606.00	\$3,774,307.79	\$4,054,974.38	\$552,323.83	\$0.00	\$552,323.83	6.58%
2100 HEALTH INSURANCE	\$7,193,492.00	\$3,079,975.22	\$4,011,771.43	\$101,745.35	\$0.00	\$101,745.35	1.41%
2150 LIFE INSURANCE	\$241,987.00	\$119,017.16	\$122,969.84	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
2170 INSURANCE BUY-OUT	\$62,438.00	\$32,200.00	\$32,200.00	\$(1,962.00)	\$0.00	\$(1,962.00)	(3.14)%
2200 SOCIAL SECURITY	\$1,258,066.00	\$576,832.61	\$622,703.65	\$58,529.74	\$0.00	\$58,529.74	4.65%
2300 PENSION	\$1,452,987.00	\$12,119.76	\$0.00	\$1,440,867.24	\$0.00	\$1,440,867.24	99.16%
2310 OPEB - MEDICAL	\$731,416.00	\$731,416.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
2410 SEVERANCE	\$115,050.00	\$115,049.80	\$0.00	\$0.20	\$0.00	\$0.20	0.00%
2500 COURSE REMUNERATION	\$40,000.00	\$10,630.00	\$10,250.00	\$19,120.00	\$0.00	\$19,120.00	47.80%
2600 UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$46,342.00	\$21,001.00	\$24,979.00	\$362.00	\$0.00	\$362.00	0.78%
2700 WORKERS' COMP	\$285,150.00	\$142,560.00	\$142,560.00	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$30.00	0.01%
2800 PERSONAL PROPERTY LOSS - DISTRICT	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	100.00%
03 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$11,427,928.00	\$4,840,801.55	\$4,967,433.92	\$1,619,692.53	\$0.00	\$1,619,692.53	14.17%
0141 TUITION	\$52,000.00	\$0.00	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$0.00	\$26,000.00	50.00%

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3100 ADMIN SERVICES	\$44,339.00	\$29,971.79	\$9,284.25	\$5,082.96	\$0.00	\$5,082.96	11.46%
3200 PROF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	\$858,137.00	\$415,291.24	\$411,874.60	\$30,971.16	\$0.00	\$30,971.16	3.60%
3260 TESTING	\$109,321.00	\$76,388.89	\$17,199.00	\$15,733.11	\$0.00	\$15,733.11	14.39%
3300 PROF DEVELOPMENT	\$15,473.00	\$47.10	\$0.00	\$15,425.90	\$0.00	\$15,425.90	99.69%
3400 OTHER PROF SERVICES	\$105,285.00	\$51,037.55	\$40,406.00	\$13,841.45	\$0.00	\$13,841.45	13.14%
3500 TECHNICAL SERVICES	\$190,563.00	\$162,004.26	\$39,270.00	\$(10,711.26)	\$0.00	\$(10,711.26)	(5.62)%
3520 COPIER COSTS	\$102,454.00	\$35,269.19	\$53,537.81	\$13,647.00	\$0.00	\$13,647.00	13.32%
4009 PURCH SERV NON-PUBLIC HEALTH SVCS	\$55,696.00	\$22,278.40	\$33,417.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
4300 MAINTENANCE & REPAIR	\$42,561.00	\$5,511.12	\$23,778.08	\$13,271.80	\$0.00	\$13,271.80	31.18%
4310 PURCHASED SERVICES BUILDINGS	\$349,530.00	\$174,662.95	\$155,732.34	\$19,134.71	\$0.00	\$19,134.71	5.47%
4320 VEHICLE MAINTENANCE & REPAIR	\$38,500.00	\$5,606.23	\$28,893.77	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	10.38%
04 CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$1,963,859.00	\$978,068.72	\$839,393.45	\$146,396.83	\$0.00	\$146,396.83	7.45%
5100 TRANSPORTATION, PUPIL	\$3,999,442.00	\$2,782,801.24	\$1,193,241.36	\$23,399.40	\$0.00	\$23,399.40	0.58%
5820 FIELD TRIPS	\$52,353.00	\$3,244.82	\$5,450.00	\$43,658.18	\$0.00	\$43,658.18	83.39%
05 PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	\$4,051,795.00	\$2,786,046.06	\$1,198,691.36	\$67,057.58	\$0.00	\$67,057.58	1.65%
5200 PROPERTY/LIABILITY INSURANCE	\$178,534.00	\$88,975.98	\$89,557.90	\$0.12	\$0.00	\$0.12	0.00%
5290 OTHER INSURANCE	\$20,463.00	\$20,463.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%

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06 INSURANCE	\$198,997.00	\$109,438.98	\$89,557.90	\$0.12	\$0.00	\$0.12	0.00%
5300 TELEPHONE	\$69,450.00	\$31,568.67	\$37,428.69	\$452.64	\$0.00	\$452.64	0.65%
5310 POSTAGE	\$28,754.00	\$21,233.61	\$2,248.16	\$5,272.23	\$0.00	\$5,272.23	18.33%
5400 ADVERTISING	\$3,633.00	\$2,898.00	\$0.00	\$735.00	\$0.00	\$735.00	20.23%
5500 PRINTING	\$26,049.00	\$5,348.42	\$8,268.33	\$12,432.25	\$0.00	\$12,432.25	47.72%
07 COMMUNICATIONS	\$127,886.00	\$61,048.70	\$47,945.18	\$18,892.12	\$0.00	\$18,892.12	14.77%
5600 TUITION, PUBLIC	\$4,450,032.00	\$942,993.05	\$3,293,615.53	\$213,423.42	\$78,720.00	\$134,703.42	4.79%
5630 TUITION, PRIVATE	\$986,022.00	\$441,787.46	\$1,024,912.93	\$(480,678.39)	\$0.00	\$(480,678.39)	(48.74)%
5690 TUITION, MAGNET	\$2,060,912.00	\$185,658.00	\$0.00	\$1,875,254.00	\$0.00	\$1,875,254.00	90.99%
08 TUITION	\$7,496,966.00	\$1,570,438.51	\$4,318,528.46	\$1,607,999.03	\$78,720.00	\$1,529,279.03	21.44%
5810 STAFF TRAVEL	\$44,162.00	\$21,124.35	\$22,064.70	\$972.95	\$0.00	\$972.95	2.20%
5814 CONFERENCES & MEETINGS	\$36,192.00	\$12,435.01	\$1,351.45	\$22,405.54	\$0.00	\$22,405.54	61.90%
09 OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	\$80,354.00	\$33,559.36	\$23,416.15	\$23,378.49	\$0.00	\$23,378.49	29.09%
6110 INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	\$248,598.00	\$146,317.74	\$39,020.17	\$63,260.09	\$0.00	\$63,260.09	25.44%
6115 OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$37,414.00	\$16,457.59	\$6,719.22	\$14,237.19	\$0.00	\$14,237.19	38.05%
6116 LIBRARY / AV SUPPLIES	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	100.00%
6117 COMPUTER SUPPLIES	\$7,000.00	\$1,949.20	\$1,375.74	\$3,675.06	\$0.00	\$3,675.06	52.50%

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6120 SOFTWARE	\$66,037.00	\$63,275.19	\$0.00	\$2,761.81	\$0.00	\$2,761.81	4.18%
6900 OTHER SUPPLIES	\$21,428.00	\$6,589.67	\$9,394.18	\$5,444.15	\$0.00	\$5,444.15	25.40%
10 SUPPLIES	\$380,727.00	\$234,589.39	\$56,509.31	\$89,628.30	\$0.00	\$89,628.30	23.54%
6125 FACILITY SUPPLIES	\$119,905.00	\$71,116.10	\$28,995.32	\$19,793.58	\$0.00	\$19,793.58	16.50%
6130 FACILITY MATERIALS	\$100,350.00	\$45,176.61	\$53,603.26	\$1,570.13	\$0.00	\$1,570.13	1.56%
6200 HEAT	\$430,151.00	\$49,025.61	\$381,125.39	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
6220 ELECTRICITY	\$816,094.00	\$342,984.22	\$473,109.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
6290 WATER SERVICES	\$89,715.00	\$35,642.64	\$54,072.36	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
7200 BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS	\$3,400.00	\$3,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
11 OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS	\$1,559,615.00	\$547,345.18	\$990,906.11	\$21,363.71	\$0.00	\$21,363.71	1.36%
6410 TEXTBOOKS	\$45,764.00	\$24,159.27	\$65.34	\$21,539.39	\$3,358.80	\$18,180.59	47.06%
6420 LIBRARY BOOKS, PERIODICALS	\$916.00	\$499.95	\$0.00	\$416.05	\$0.00	\$416.05	45.42%
6430 PROF BOOKS	\$4,750.00	\$1,180.81	\$294.26	\$3,274.93	\$0.00	\$3,274.93	68.94%
12 TEXTBOOKS/LIBRARY BOOKS/OTHER SUPPL	\$51,430.00	\$25,840.03	\$359.60	\$25,230.37	\$3,358.80	\$21,871.57	49.05%
7300 NEW EQUIPMENT	\$15,936.00	\$2,712.22	\$2,715.00	\$10,508.78	\$0.00	\$10,508.78	65.94%
7320 REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT	\$40,743.00	\$10,205.95	\$2,002.00	\$28,535.05	\$0.00	\$28,535.05	70.03%
7340 COMPUTER EQUIP	\$16,364.00	\$16,363.75	\$0.00	\$0.25	\$0.00	\$0.25	0.00%

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13 EQUIPMENT	\$73,043.00	\$29,281.92	\$4,717.00	\$39,044.08	\$0.00	\$39,044.08	53.45%
8100 DUES & FEES	\$48,678.00	\$39,942.00	\$953.00	\$7,783.00	\$430.00	\$7,353.00	15.98%
8800 ATHLETIC PROGRAMS	\$84,004.00	\$38,183.98	\$25,738.81	\$20,081.21	\$0.00	\$20,081.21	23.90%
8900 STUDENT ACTIVITIES	\$24,095.00	\$3,529.34	\$5,762.01	\$14,803.65	\$0.00	\$14,803.65	61.43%
14 MISCELLANEOUS	\$156,777.00	\$81,655.32	\$32,453.82	\$42,667.86	\$430.00	\$42,237.86	27.21%
GRAND TOTAL	\$51,772,311.00	\$22,250,181.21	\$25,573,655.76	\$3,948,474.03	\$82,508.80	\$3,865,965.23	7.62%

Graduates In Bloom



Board of Education - District Updates
Tuesday, January 9, 2024



Overview

Purpose

Provide Board of Education with a districtwide initiative update

Process

Presentation of initiatives and opportunity for questions and answers

Payoff

Board of Education will be informed of district initiatives within Bloomfield Public Schools



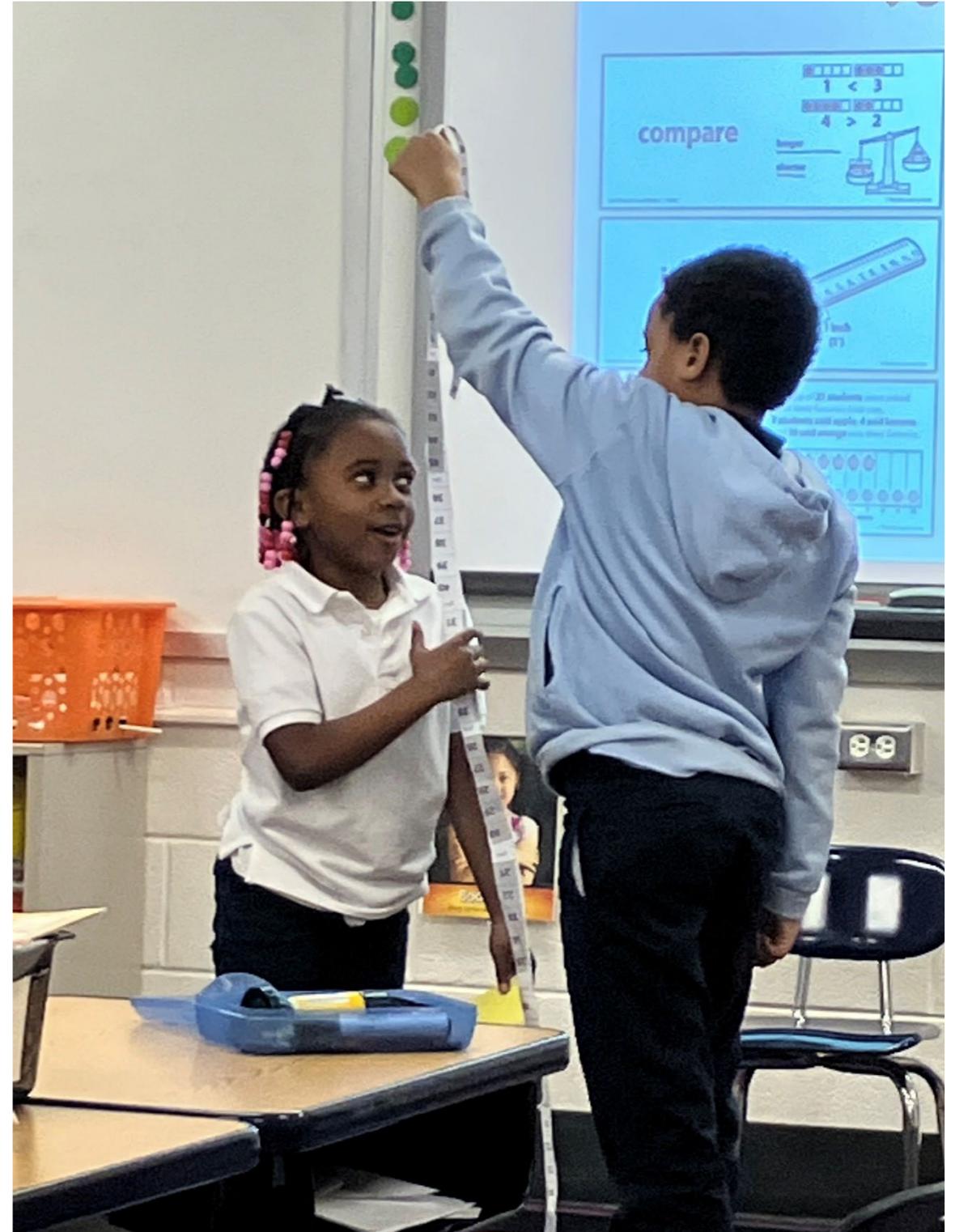
Districtwide Initiatives

INITIATIVE	PRIORITY
Continued implementation of K-5 programs: Open Court and Bridges	2
Focus Walks	1,2
Science of Reading Cohort K-4	2
Professional Development	1, 2, 3, 4
Apptegy	3, 4
Welcome Center	4
Family Workshop Series	4
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Program Implementation

- ELA: Open Court Reading
- Math: Bridges and Number Corners
- Year 3 Implementation
- Grades K-5
- Ongoing Professional Development



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Focus Walks

Focus Walks are:

- intentional and purposeful opportunities to collect evidence from classrooms
- varied in purpose and focus
- short, frequent and ongoing
- non-evaluative observations
- opportunities to provide feedback, coaching and peer professional learning
- collaborative
- transparent
- helpful to inform school improvement efforts and staff professional development
- intended to improve adult practice and student outcomes, and support a true learning community

Focus Walks are not:

- evaluative
- “gotcha”
- “horse and pony shows”
- “watercooler talk”

To date, we have conducted 75 focus walks across 7 schools and programs



Focus Walk Benefits

Benefits to Administration	Benefits to Staff	Benefits to Students
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • collaborate more often with staff and students • • better understand instructional needs and patterns • plan or suggest professional development based on instructional needs • become more aware of the behavioral, social, and academic needs of students and become better equipped to communicate with parents when there are concerns. • monitor school-wide or district-wide goals • develop a common language with teachers about instruction • share common goals with teachers for improved teaching and learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • engage in meaningful conversations about instruction • view learning from the perspective of others • deepen their understanding about teaching and learning • develop a feeling of collegiality with administration and co-workers • apply new knowledge and receive feedback • increase their focus on school-wide instructional practices and connectedness to school accountability plan goals • identify and implement best practices that support student learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • see that administration value learning • understand that teachers and principals work together to promote a healthy learning environment • understand that teaching and learning are important • become active participants in their learning • gain respect and develop a better rapport with the adults on campus because they view them as positive role models • see improved achievement and growth



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Science of Reading

Participants

Desi Nesmith

Lisa Lamenzo

Anne Marie Cullinan

Suzanne Shippee

Wendy Bannish-Shepard

Claudette Kenyon

Paul Guzzo

Felicia Johnson

Emily Petry

Jennifer Dwyer

Magnolia Coates

Rose Rose

Role

Assistant Superintendent

Director of School Improvement

Curriculum Specialist

District EL Coordinator

Director of Student Support Services

Teacher-Special Education

Principal-Metacomet Elementary

Teacher-Special Education

Teacher-Grade 3

Principal-Laurel Literacy Academy

Academic Interventionist

Instructional Coach



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PD WINS (What I Need to Succeed)

Session	Effectiveness of PD	Effectiveness of Presenter
Session 1	4.84	4.79
Session 2	4.79	4.78



BPS Professional Learning...
1 group · 6 people

Type ▾ People ▾ Modified ▾

Suggested

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Name	Last modified	File size
Cultural Responsive Teaching	Nov 9, 2023 me	—
Culture and Climate	Nov 29, 2023 me	—
Differentiation and Enrichment	Oct 19, 2023 me	—
Early Childhood	Nov 9, 2023 me	—
ELA	Oct 19, 2023 me	—
Equity	Nov 9, 2023 me	—
Family and Community Engagement	Nov 9, 2023 me	—
Mathematics	Oct 19, 2023 me	—
Multi-Lingual Learners	Nov 9, 2023 me	—

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- Website Redesign
- Creation of Mobile App



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2023-24 Welcome Center Goals

Goal 1

- Serve as a location where families can learn about wraparound supports through district and community based resources

Goal 2

- Serve as a physical space for registration meetings with families

Goal 3

- Serve as a location for family and community engagement events (i.e. focus groups, small-scale trainings)

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FAMILY WORKSHOP SERIES

Bloomfield Public Schools, in collaboration with community partners, present a series of financial and emotional health and wellness workshops informed by community input.



WORKSHOP OFFERINGS

- Money Matters** Nov. 9
How to create and maintain a budget that works
- The Self-care and Parenting Connection** Dec. 14
Defining self-care and what it means to you
- The ABC's of Credit & Borrowing** Jan. 11
Everything you need to know about understanding and building credit
- Intentional Self-care** Feb. 8
How to use self-care to eliminate burn-out
- Financial Resiliency** Mar. 14
How to springboard back from financial challenges
- Creating Healthy Boundaries** Apr. 1
How to create a lifestyle that honors boundaries
- Invest in Yourself** May 9
Building wealth to meet you life goals

IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL OPTIONS AVAILABLE

TIME - 6:00 - 7:30 PM

LOCATION -
330 PARK AVE
BLOOMFIELD, CT 06002

COST - **FREE**

COMPLIMENTARY FOOD & CHILDCARE PROVIDED

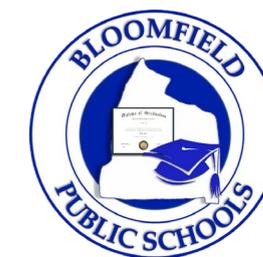
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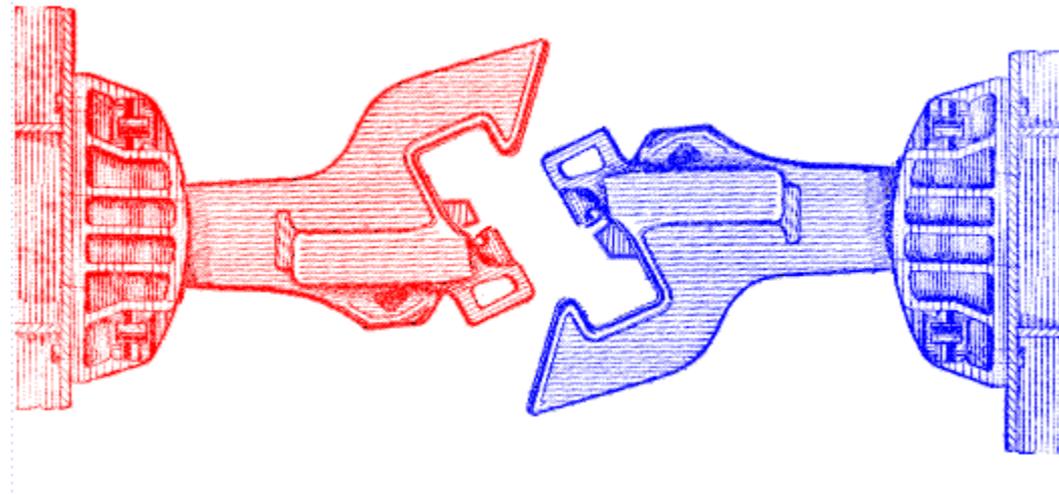


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Growth and Attendance



“Working to increase attendance to merely improve a data point will likely not result in the overall desired outcomes of greater student success and academic achievement. Addressing chronic absenteeism must be done alongside and in coordination with efforts to improve the quality of instructional time.”

Bauer, L., Liu, P., Schanzenbach, D. W., & Shambaugh, J. (2018)



Chronic Absenteeism

School	2021-2022	2022-2023
Laurel Elementary School	19.5%	17.4%
Metacomet Elementary School	14.7%	16.6%
Carmen Arace Intermediate School	14.2%	14.2%
Carmen Arace Middle School	19.2%	18.3%
Global Experience Magnet School	33.3%	29.0%
Bloomfield High School	20.1%	13.3%
District Total	20.4%	18.1%



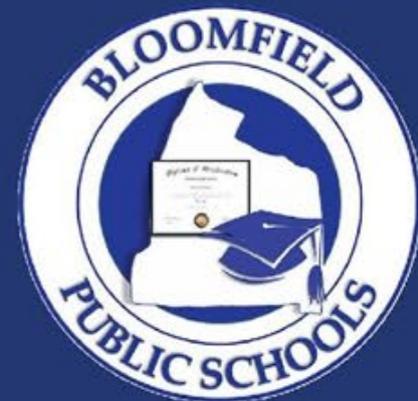
Questions



Bloomfield Public Schools



Mid-Year School Level Review Grades PK - 4



Making a Difference

Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School

Strength Areas

English Language Arts

- Continued growth of students demonstrating skills with listening to and understanding increasingly complex language
- Improved outcomes with students demonstrating knowledge of print and its uses

Mathematics

- Growth with students demonstrating skills in comparing and measuring
- Growth with students using classification skills

Other

- Continued to build and expand family and community partnerships
- Completed NAEYC Accreditation, new 5 year recertification

Wintonbury Early Childhood Magnet School

Focus Areas

English Language Arts

- Supporting students' use of language to express thoughts and needs through existing and future data team strategies and professional development
- Leverage learning centers that naturally support or offer robust language opportunity (dramatic play)

Mathematics

- Supporting students in exploring and describing spatial relationships by modeling this language in meaningful context and instructional routines
- Continue to use focused strategies discussed through the data team process

Other

- Continue to support students social and emotional development through use of tiered supports



Laurel Literacy Academy Strength Areas

English Language Arts

- Continued growth in foundational reading skills
- Focus on the Science of Reading professional learning through intensive multi-leveled training

Mathematics

- Students demonstrating skills in algebra and algebraic thinking
- Students demonstrating skills in geometry

Other

- Implementation of Laurel Literacy Academy action steps
- Laurel Literacy Academy has been selected to participate in the 2023-2024 Connecticut Literacy Model Family Engagement Literacy Nights Program



Laurel Literacy Academy

Focus Areas

English Language Arts

- Implementing a new assessment platform- mCLASS
- Developing a schoolwide structure for small groups that emphasize the Science of Reading

Mathematics

- Conducted assessment inventory to ensure direct connection to instruction
- Provide additional opportunities around interventions for students needing additional support

Other

- Increased communication and strategies around student attendance
- Continuing to develop individualized programming at all levels for the social and emotional development

Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBAC) Performance

ELA Performance	2022 Bloomfield	2023 Bloomfield	District Change from 2022 to 2023	2023 State
Grade 3	50.0%	44.3%	-5.7%	45.5%
Grade 4	37.4%	46.3%	+8.9%	48.8%
District	35.8%	33.6%	-2.2%	48.5%

Math Performance	2022 Bloomfield	2023 Bloomfield	District Change from 2022 to 2023	2023 State
Grade 3	40.5%	42.5%	+2.0%	49.8%
Grade 4	23.1%	37.0%	+13.9%	48.3%
District	20.9%	22.1%	+1.2%	42.5%

Metacomet Elementary School

Strength Areas

English Language Arts

- Continued implementation of Open Court Reading Program and relevant professional development
- Monitoring data to target students' needs during classroom instructional and reading intervention

Mathematics

- Continued implementation of Bridges and Number Corners Math Program and relevant professional development
- Aligning teacher goals to improve math achievement

Other

- Increasing family events with a focus on reading
- Improved year to date student attendance through Positive School Climate initiatives and individualized student support



Metacomet Elementary School

Focus Areas

English Language Arts

- Focused professional development on the Science of Reading
- Dedicated staff time to plan and discuss strategies to improve student achievement

Mathematics

- Focused professional learning time for staff to plan and develop differentiated lessons
- Analyzing student work to identify skills needed to improve instruction

Other

- Promoting school wide “Spirit Days” to increase student attendance
- Offering both live and virtual parent meetings to increase family engagement

Thank you

