

**Cleveland City Schools**  
**Board of Education Regular Meeting**  
January 6, 2025 5:30 PM  
Educational Support Center



1. **Welcome**
2. **Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comments**
4. **Comments from Chairman Tucker**
5. **Consent Agenda**
  - A. **Approval of Regular Agenda**
  - B. **Approval of Minutes from December 2, 2024, Board Meeting**
  - C. **Approval of Overnight Field Trips**
    - 2170
    - 2241
    - 2245
    - 2239
    - 2251
    - 2252
    - 2253
  - D. **Annual Review of Section 4 Policies -Date Change Only**
6. **Regular Agenda**
  - A. **Director's Update**
  - B. **Spotlight**
    - Cleveland Middle School- Principal Nat Akiona
    - CMS Wrestling
  - C. **CCS Employees of the Year Spotlight**
    - Recognition of School and District Level Employees of the Year
  - D. **Strategic Plan Focus**
    - ESL- Christy Duncan
  - E. **Future Facilities Update**

1. **\*New Intermediate School**
- F. **Student Representative's Update**
7. **Facilities Update**
  - A. **\*Approval of CHS Softball Renovation Project**
  - B. **\*Approval of CHS Baseball Bleacher Renovation Project**
  - C. **\*Approval of Track and Field Equipment Purchase**
  - D. **\*Approval of Denning Center Pool Renovation Project**
8. **\*Suspension of Policy 3.210**
  - Chairman Tucker calls for suspension of Policy 3.210 in order to move forward with the naming of the FRC Market
9. **\*Family Resource Center Market Naming**
  - Kelly Kiser will present the recommendation to name the FRC market, "Barbara's Market".
10. **Legislative Updates**
  - A. **\*School Choice Resolution**
11. **\*Election of Board Officers**
  
12. **"B" Agenda**
  - A. **Financial Report**
  - B. **Personnel Report**
  - C. **Dates to Remember**

January 2025:  
6th- Board of Education Meeting  
6th & 7th- Teacher In-service- No School for Students  
20th- Martin Luther King Jr Day - District Closed

February:  
3rd- Board of Education Meeting  
10th-11th- TSBA Conference- Franklin, TN  
14th- Staff Development Day - No School for Students  
17th- Presidents' Day - District Closed

March:

3rd- Board of Education Meeting

7th & 11th- Spring Break - District Closed

April:

7th- Board of Education Meeting

18th- Spring Holiday

May:

5th- Board of Education Meeting

23rd- Last Day of School- Abbreviated Day

• Middle/High Dismissal- 10:30 am • Elementary Dismissal- 11:30 am

June:

2nd- Board of Education Meeting

13. **Adjourn**

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Attendance Taken at 5:30 PM.

Mr. Matthew Coleman: Present  
Ms. Rene Diamond: Present  
Ms. Carolyn Ingram: Present  
Mr. Andy Lay: Present  
Mrs. Peggy Pesterfield: Present  
Mrs. Jodi Riggins: Present  
Mr. Nate Tucker: Present

**1. Welcome**

Chairman Tucker welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance**

Jackson Aseron led us in a Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Public Comments**

No public comment was requested.

**4. Comments from Chairman Tucker** As chairman for the Cleveland City Schools Board of Education, I'm committed to:

- Running an orderly and efficient meeting
- Treating everyone with respect
- Board Members will be provided
  - Equal voice for all matters
  - Should communicate through the Director of Schools for addressing his staff

Reminders For Parents and Community:

- Board of Education policies can be found on the ClevelandSchools.org website. When there, Click Menu and select Policy Manual under the Board of Education section.

- Our meetings are not public forums. However, the board has made accommodations for you to address the board via:
  - School Board Policy 1.404, which includes two options along with the requirements listed. Those options being:
    - Appearing before the board via a pre-meeting request
    - Addressing the board on agenda items via same-day request

## **5. Consent Agenda**

Motion to approve consent agenda passed with a motion by Mrs. Jodi Riggins and a second by Ms. Carolyn Ingram.

Mr. Matthew Coleman: Yes

Ms. Rene Diamond: Yes

Ms. Carolyn Ingram: Yes

Mr. Andy Lay: Yes

Mrs. Peggy Pesterfield: Yes

Mrs. Jodi Riggins: Yes

Mr. Nate Tucker: Yes

Yes: 7, No: 0

### **5.A. Approval of Regular Agenda**

### **5.B. Approval of Minutes from November 4, 2024, Board Meeting**

### **5.C. Approval of Overnight Field Trips**

- 2146
- 2164
- 2206
- 2207
- 2215
- 2218

## **5.D. Approval of Cleveland High School Course Guide**

## **5.E. Approval of Additional Special Education Teacher at Cleveland High School**

## **6. Regular Agenda**

### **6.A. Director's Update**

- Dr. Elliott gave a presentation highlighting the many activities happening around Cleveland City Schools
- CMS Veteran's Day parade
- Ross Elementary's Breakfast with the Board
- Community forums at CHS and Blythe-Bower
- Cleveland High School and Blythe-Bower Elementary are Level 5 TVAAS schools
- Blythe-Bower designated a Reward School
- Champions of the Month from Ross Elementary- Ella Jane Jackson-student and Jordan Reeves-teacher

#### **6.A.1. \*Approval of 2026-2027 Academic Calendar**

Motion to approve the 2026-2027 Academic Calendar passed with a motion by Mr. Matthew Coleman and a second by Ms. Carolyn Ingram.

Mr. Matthew Coleman: Yes

Ms. Rene Diamond: Yes

Ms. Carolyn Ingram: Yes

Mr. Andy Lay: Yes

Mrs. Peggy Pesterfield: Yes

Mrs. Jodi Riggins: Yes

Mr. Nate Tucker: Yes

Yes: 7, No: 0

### **6.B. Spotlight**

- Dr Stephanie Stone gave an update on EL Ross Elementary

### **6.C. Student Spotlight**

- Mr Bob Pritchard, principal of Cleveland High School, recognized Owen Clemons' Cross Country achievements. Owen is a high school junior, class of 2026. He holds every distance record from the 800 m to the 5K for Cleveland High School, since his freshman year. He holds Cleveland's top seven fastest all-time times in 5K Cross Country. Owen has two state titles and two national titles and is ranked number one in the State of Tennessee. Owen is currently undecided as to which college he will attend after high school.

### **6.D. Strategic Plan Focus**

- Autumn O'Bryan shared a presentation on the renovation status of the Family Resource Center and the plans being put in place to allow for promise and prosperity for all who benefit from it.
- Dr Valery Taylor shared a presentation on the use of the Mobile Mind professional development tool our district currently utilizes.

### **6.E. Future Facilities Update**

- Dr Elliott reiterated the need for a 5th/6th grade campus to address overcrowding issues. He compared past and present enrollment numbers and showed a visual of the future growth impact on the school system. There are still conversations to be had regarding crowding numbers vs. relief numbers, with ideas in place to address these issues.

### **6.F. Student Representative's Update**

- Jackson Aseron gave an update on all activities happening at Cleveland High School.

## **7. Facilities Update**

- Hal Taylor gave an update on the distribution of Esser funds and how they were allocated for the Arnold parking lot project, as well as the timeline for all current projects.

### **7.A. \*Approval of Cleveland Middle School Sign**

Motion to approve Cleveland Middle School Sign passed with a motion by Mrs. Peggy Pesterfield and a second by Mr. Andy Lay.

Mr. Matthew Coleman: Yes

Ms. Rene Diamond: Yes

Ms. Carolyn Ingram: Yes

Mr. Andy Lay: Yes

Mrs. Peggy Pesterfield: Yes

Mrs. Jodi Riggins: Yes

Mr. Nate Tucker: Yes

Yes: 7, No: 0

### **7.B. \*Approval of Additional Funding for Arnold Parking Lot renovation**

Approval of Additional funding for Arnold Parking Lot renovation passed with a motion by Ms. Carolyn Ingram and a second by Ms. Rene Diamond.

Mr. Matthew Coleman: Yes

Ms. Rene Diamond: Yes

Ms. Carolyn Ingram: Yes

Mr. Andy Lay: Yes

Mrs. Peggy Pesterfield: Yes

Mrs. Jodi Riggins: Yes

Mr. Nate Tucker: Yes

Yes: 7, No: 0

## **8. Board of Education Committee Update**

- Chairman Tucker made an update to the board committees. Rene' Diamond will serve on the Policy Review and Recommendations Committee and Matthew Coleman will serve on the Facilities Committee.

## **9. Legislative Updates**

- Carolyn Ingram shared a TSBA update concerning school vouchers and cell phone policies.
- Vouchers are the big topic of conversation right now. A recommendation was made to share the district's statement regarding school vouchers.

- A new bill was introduced that states each school board is to establish a cell phone policy for their district.

## 10. "B" Agenda

### 10.A. Financial Report

### 10.B. Personnel Report

### 10.C. School Highlights

#### 10.D. Dates to Remember December:

2nd- Board of Education Meeting

4th- Director's Luncheon

12th- Strategic Plan Retreat

20th- Abbreviated Day for Students

- Middle/High Dismissal- 10:30 am
- Elementary Dismissal- 11:30 am

23rd-Jan 3rd- Winter Break - District Closed

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2nd- Board of Education Meeting

**11. Adjourn**

- Chairman Tucker adjourned the meeting at 7:00pm

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Nate Tucker,  
Chairman

1/6/2025

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Carolyn Ingram, Vice  
Chairman

1/6/2025

School Days: 8:40 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Exceptions may apply. Weekends & Holiday: No time table. If request is on a Holiday, contact the Operations Department for possible rate increase.

**Field Trip Rates**

Field Trip rates are based on mileage, driver hours, and conditions of the bus when the trip is completed. Mileage is recorded from the moment the bus leaves the Transportation Facility until the bus returns to the Transportation Facility. Mileage is calculated at \$1.92 per mile and \$28.00 per hour. There will be an additional \$140 per day "On Call" fee for weekends and holidays.

Transportation will bill the Trip Sponsor for the driver/mileage/bus/damage after the trip is completed. This will be done on a monthly basis.

Trip Number **2170**

\* Category Travel With Students

\* Type of Trip Field Trip

\* Field Trip Event  
Standard Field Trip

**Trip Leave**

\* Date 1/17/25 Friday  
\* Time 10:00 AM

**Trip Return**

\* Date 1/19/25 Sunday  
\* Time 12:30 AM

**Trip Year/Week 2025-03**

No buses available before 8:30 AM and must return to school no later than 1:45 PM.

\* Is this an overnight trip? Yes

Is this an overnight trip? Additional Information

\* Please list all chaperones for this overnight trip including non-staff. Don Markham, Nicole Williams, Tracy Lenz

\* Indicate cost per person and how the trip is being funded (parent or district?) \$125

**Comments**

Thespians and delegates will be traveling to MTSU for their annual state festival. We will be staying overnight on Friday night at the Wingate 118 Westgate Blvd, Murfreesboro, TN, 37128. The conference is held on the campus of MTSU on Friday afternoon/evening then all day on Saturday,

\* Your School/Dept ⓘ 020 Cleveland High School  
850 Raider Drive, Cleveland, TN 37312

\* Do you have students with health concerns on this trip? Don't list student names, only the health conditions due to FERPA/HIPPA. No

\* Main Destination ⓘ MTSU  
1301 E Main St., Murfreesboro, TN 37132

\* Approximate Nbr of Miles Round Trip 266.58

\* **Funding Source #1**      School      Budget Code      420

Funding Source Desc      Budget Code Desc

Funding Approver

Are funds payable to a third party?      No  
(Does venue require payment prior to trip?)

\* Teacher / Advisor / Staff Name      Don Markham  
\* Teacher / Advisor / Staff Phone #      4234796975  
Teacher / Advisor / Staff Email      dmarkham@clevelandschools.org

Note: This email will receive the requester emails if different from requester

Emergency Contact Info       **Same as Teacher / Advisor / Staff**

\* Emergency Contact Name      Don Markham  
\* Emergency Contact Phone #      4234796975

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\* Grade Level(s) Making Trip      11  
12

\* Educational Objective for Field Trip      Thespians and delegates will be traveling to MTSU for their annual state festival. There are hundreds of theater workshops to attend along with participation on the one-act festival. Students will also participate in All-State Auditions for scholarship money and experience.

### Number of Individuals Making Trip

\* Male Adult/Chaperone 1 \* Female Adult/Chaperone 2      Total Adult/Chaperone 3  
\* Male Students 3 \* Female Students 20      Total Students 23

\* Will the students be away from school during lunch?      Yes  
\* If so, will these students need packed lunches?      No

Nbr Students 23 Teacher Don Markham  
Students will be away from school during the lunch period, so therefore lunches are not needed.

### Additional Information

\* Will you be using external transportation-Does NOT include charters-- (includes plane, rental van, personal vehicle or walking)? No

### Vehicles Needed

\* Do you need a school bus, staff van or charter bus? Yes

Check here to indicate trip is drop-off only Location

Check here to indicate trip is pickup only Location

Vehicle Pickup	Arrive at Venue (Info Only)	Depart Venue (Info Only)	Vehicle Return
* Date 1/17/25	* Date 1/17/25	* Date 1/18/25	* Date 1/19/25
* Time 10:00 AM	* Time 2:00 PM	* Time 10:00 PM	* Time 12:30 AM

Total Trip Hours 38.50

\* Type of vehicles needed to reserve School Bus  


\* How many vehicles do you need? 1

Vehicle Guidelines: School Bus Capacity:  
Elementary School Students=78 max  
Middle/High School Students=52 max

\* Do you need a wheelchair lift? No

Nbr Wheelchair Slots 0 Nbr Seatbelts 0 Nbr Fold Down Seats 0

#### Special Needs

Comments or Details Concerning Needs Don Markham will drive the bus for this field trip. The chaperones are school personal able to ride along. There is enough parking next to the hotel. (we have stayed here before)  
The hotel has contacted the travel center across the street about the need to maybe plug in the bus if temp is low. The travel center has offered to assist in this area.

#### General Information

Owner vmack@clevelandschools.org

Bid Id/Closing Date

Person Submitting Request dmarkham@clevelandschools.org

Date Submitted

### Field Trip Acceptance of Responsibility

My signature indicates I have read and will adhere to all School Board Policies that apply to field or athletic trips.

\* I have read and understand the information above.

Yes

### Level 01 Approval - Location Approval

Comment

Decision Approved

Name bpritchard@clevelandschools.org

Decision Date Nov 8, 2024, 11:49:07 AM

### Level 02 Approval - Second Level Location Approval

Comment

Decision Approved

Name llaing@clevelandschools.org

Decision Date

Nov 8, 2024, 12:59:24 PM

### Level 07 Approval - Overnight Trip Approval

Comment

Decision

Approved

Name

jelliott@clevelandschools.org

Decision Date

Nov 21, 2024, 12:57:32 PM

### Level 09 Approval - Transportation Approval

Comment

Will have to drive bus 13.

Decision

Approved

Name

vmack@clevelandschools.org

Decision Date

Dec 9, 2024, 1:14:03 PM

### Level 10 Approval - School Board Approval

Comment

Decision

Designated Approver

awheeler@clevelandschools.org

~~Name~~

~~Decision Date~~

Transportation will bill the Trip Sponsor for the driver/mileage/bus/damage after the trip is completed. This will be done on a monthly basis.

Trip Number **2245**  
\* Category Travel With Students  
\* Type of Trip Athletic  
\* Athletic Event (you may check more than one)  
Band

**Trip Leave**

\* Date 2/6/25 Thursday  
\* Time 9:00 AM

**Trip Return**

\* Date 2/8/25  
\* Time 6:00 PM

Trip Year/Week 2025-06

Buses are not available before 4:30 PM and must be returned by 12:00 AM.

\* Is this an overnight trip? Yes

**Is this an overnight trip? Additional Information**

\* Please list all chaperones for this overnight trip including non-staff.

Jim Burton  
Erik Simpson

\* Indicate cost per person and how the trip is being funded (parent or district?)

\$100 by student/family

**Comments**

Enter any comments about this trip that is important for the driver to know such as drop off location. Also, indicate the group, club or organization that is traveling, and any information about parking at the destination. This information will print on the trip ticket for the driver.

\* **Your School/Dept** ⓘ

020 Cleveland High School  
850 Raider Drive, Cleveland, TN 37312

\* **Main Destination** ⓘ

Other (Type Below)  
705 Cherokee Orchard Rd, Gatlinburg, TN 37738, USA

**Destination Not Listed**

The Park Vista - a DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel - Gatlinburg, Chero Destination Name Park Vista Resort

**Add a Stop on the Way There**

Click the magnifying glass icon to use the destinations drop-down or enter an address to search Google.

* Address	* Name/Description	* Minutes at s
1. West Town Mall, Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN, USA	West Town Mall	90

**Add a Stop on the Return**

\* **Approximate Nbr of Miles Round Trip**

245.64

**CALCULATE MILES**

\* **Funding Source #1**

School

**Budget Code**

303

**Funding Source Desc**

**Budget Code Desc**

**Funding Approver**

\* **Teacher / Advisor / Staff Name**

Jim Burton

\* **Teacher / Advisor / Staff Phone #**

4235035987

**Teacher / Advisor / Staff Email**

Note: This email will receive the requester emails if different from requester

**Emergency Contact Info**

Same as Teacher / Advisor / Staff

\* Emergency Contact Name

\* Emergency Contact Phone #

**Number of Individuals Making Trip**

* Male Adult/Chaperone	2	* Female Adult/Chaperone	1	Total Adult/Chaperone	3
* Male Students	6	* Female Students	6	Total Students	12

**Additional Information**

\* Will you be using external transportation-Does NOT include charters-- (includes plane, rental van, personal vehicle or walking)?

**Vehicles Needed**

\* Do you need a school bus, staff van or charter bus?  Yes  No

Check here to indicate trip is drop-off only Location

Check here to indicate trip is pickup only Location

**Vehicle Pickup**

\* Date 2/6/25  
 \* Time 9:00 AM

**Vehicle Return**

\* Date 2/8/25  
 \* Time 6:00 PM

Total Trip Hours 57.00

\* Type of vehicles needed to reserve

Approved Charter

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Approved Charter

Rocky Top Tours, Inc & Rc

Email

Phone 865-970-3474

Contact

Address 445 Continental I

\* How many vehicles do you need?

1

Vehicle Guidelines

School Bus Capacity  
Elementary School Students=78 max  
Middle/High School Students=52 max

\* Do you need a wheelchair lift?

No

Nbr Wheelchair Slots 0 Nbr Seatbelts 0 Nbr Fold Down Seats 0

**Special Needs**

Comments or Details Concerning Needs

General Information

Owner

vmack@clevelandschools.org

Bid Id/Closing Date

**Reserve Vehicles**

**Location Used to Reserve Vehicles**

000 Transportation

vmack@clevelandschools.org

**Trip Location Zone**

Main

**Trip Year/Week:**

**Trip Hours:**

57.00

**Total Number of Vehicles Needed:**

1

**Number w/ Lift:**

**Person Submitting Request**

jburton@clevelandschools.org

**Date Submitted**

Dec 13, 2024, 10:14:55 AM



School Days: 8:40 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Exceptions may apply. Weekends & Holiday: No time table. If request is on a Holiday, contact the Operations Department for possible rate increase.

**Field Trip Rates**

Field Trip rates are based on mileage, driver hours, and conditions of the bus when the trip is completed. Mileage is recorded from the moment the bus leaves the Transportation Facility until the bus returns to the Transportation Facility. Mileage is calculated at \$1.92 per mile and \$28.00 per hour. There will be an additional \$140 per day "On Call" fee for weekends and holidays.

Transportation will bill the Trip Sponsor for the driver/mileage/bus/damage after the trip is completed. This will be done on a monthly basis.

Trip Number **2241**

\* Category Travel With Students

\* Type of Trip Field Trip

\* Field Trip Event  
Standard Field Trip

**Trip Leave**

\* Date 3/19/25 Wednesday

\* Time 5:00 AM

**Trip Return**

\* Date 3/23/25 Sunday

\* Time 6:00 PM

Trip Year/Week 2025-12

\* Is this an overnight trip? Yes

Is this an overnight trip? Additional Information

\* Please list all chaperones for this overnight trip including non-staff. Bob Pritchard  
Amanda Pritchard  
Athena Davis  
Julie Phillips

\* Indicate cost per person and how the trip is being funded (parent or district?) Estimated cost- \$900 per student  
Trip paid by student/parent

**Comments**

Bus will pick up students on March 19, 2024 at CHS  
Bus will drive to Washington D.C. and stay in Washington D.C. until Sunday, March 23, 2024.  
Bus will arrive back in Cleveland at 6:00 PM on March 23.

Students will be attending the WAMUNC conference at George Washington University with the Model UN club at CHS.

\* Your School/Dept ⓘ 020 Cleveland High School  
850 Raider Drive, Cleveland, TN 37312

\* Do you have students with health concerns on this trip? Don't list student names, only the health conditions due to FERPA/HIPPA. No

\* Main Destination ⓘ Other (Type Below)  
Washington, DC, USA

Destination Not Listed Washington D.C., DC, \* Destination Name WAMUNC XXVII at George Washington University

\* Approximate Nbr of Miles Round Trip

1130.00

\* **Funding Source #1** Other Budget Code CHS- Model UN

Funding Source Desc Please indicate the funding information in the Budget Code Field to the right. Budget Code Desc

Funding Approver

Are funds payable to a third party? Yes

(Does venue require payment prior to trip?)

Amount of Payment Estimate \$300-\$400 per student for hotel

Payment Option Mail Check

Purchase Order/Requisition Nbr None

Payment Due To

Comments Concerning Payment

\* Teacher / Advisor / Staff Name Julie Phillips

\* Teacher / Advisor / Staff Phone # 4237150256

Teacher / Advisor / Staff Email jphillips@clevelandschools.org

Note: This email will receive the requester emails if different from requester

Emergency Contact Info  Same as Teacher / Advisor / Staff

\* Emergency Contact Name Julie Phillips

\* Emergency Contact Phone # 4237150256

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\* Grade Level(s) Making Trip

11

12

\* Educational Objective for Field Trip Attend the Model UN conference at George Washington University

### Number of Individuals Making Trip

* Male Adult/Chaperone	1	* Female Adult/Chaperone	3	Total Adult/Chaperone	4
* Male Students	4	* Female Students	20	Total Students	24

\* Will the students be away from school during lunch? Yes

\* If so, will these students need packed lunches? No

Nbr Students 24 Teacher Julie Phillips

Students will be away from school during the lunch period, so therefore lunches are not needed.

### Additional Information

\* Will you be using external transportation-Does NOT include charters-- (includes plane, rental van, personal vehicle or walking)? No

## Vehicles Needed

\* Do you need a school bus, staff van or charter bus? Yes

Check here to indicate trip is drop-off only Location

Check here to indicate trip is pickup only Location

### Vehicle Pickup

\* Date 3/19/25

\* Time 5:00 AM

### Arrive at Venue (Info Only)

\* Date 3/19/25

\* Time 4:00 PM

### Depart Venue (Info Only)

\* Date 3/23/25

\* Time 6:00 AM

### Vehicle Return

\* Date 3/23/25

\* Time 6:00 PM

Total Trip Hours 109.00

\* Type of vehicles needed to reserve

Approved Charter



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Approved Charter

Rocky Top Tours, Inc & Rocky Top School Bus LLC

Email

Phone 865-970-3474

Contact

Address 445 Continental Dr. Maryville, TN 37804

\* How many vehicles do you need?

1

Vehicle Guidelines:

School Bus Capacity:  
Elementary School Students=78 max  
Middle/High School Students=52 max

\* Do you need a wheelchair lift?

No

Nbr Wheelchair Slots 0 Nbr Seatbelts 0 Nbr Fold Down Seats 0

### Special Needs

Comments or Details Concerning Needs

### General Information

Owner

vmack@clevelandschools.org

Bid Id/Closing Date

Person Submitting Request

jphillips@clevelandschools.org

Date Submitted

## Field Trip Acceptance of Responsibility

My signature indicates I have read and will adhere to all School Board Policies that apply to field or athletic trips.

\* I have read and understand the information above.

Transportation will bill the Trip Sponsor for the driver/mileage/bus/damage after the trip is completed. This will be done on a monthly basis.

Trip Number **2239**  
\* Category Travel With Students  
\* Type of Trip Field Trip  
\* Field Trip Event  
Standard Field Trip

**Trip Leave**

\* Date 10/5/25 Sunday  
\* Time 6:00 AM

**Trip Return**

\* Date 10/9/25  
\* Time 7:00 PM

Trip Year/Week 2025-41

\* Is this an overnight trip? Yes

**Is this an overnight trip? Additional Information**

\* Please list all chaperones for this overnight trip including non-staff.

Parents and staff have not registered for the trip yet. Dr. Ed Fickley

\* Indicate cost per person and how the trip is being funded (parent or district?)

parent funded \$700 each for parents and students.

**Comments**

Enter any comments about this trip that is important for the driver to know such as drop off location. Also, indicate the group, club or organization that is traveling, and any information about parking at the destination. This information will print on the trip ticket for the driver.

This is the annual 8th grade trip to Washington, D.C. to visit the seat of government, historical sites.

\* **Your School/Dept** ⓘ

018 Cleveland Middle School  
3635 Georgetown Rd., Cleveland, TN 37312

\* **Do you have students with health concerns on this trip? Don't list student names, only the health conditions due to FERPA/HIPPA.**

Yes  No

\* **Main Destination** ⓘ

Other (Type Below)  
Washington, DC 20004, USA

**Destination Not Listed**

United States Capitol, Washington, DC, USA

Destination Name **Washington, DC**

Add a Stop on the Way There

Add a Stop on the Return

\* **Approximate Nbr of Miles Round Trip**

1140.68

CALCULATE MILES

\* **Funding Source #1**

School

**Budget Code**

**Funding Source Desc**

**Budget Code Desc**

**Funding Approver**

**Are funds payable to a third party?**

Yes  No

(Does venue require payment prior to trip?)

**Amount of Payment**

various

**Payment Option**

Mail Check

Will Pick Up Check

Purchase Order/Requisition Nbr

Payment Due To

Name  
 405 Belvoir Ave  
 Chattanooga

Comments Concerning Payment

We pay all the third party through check or credit card

\* Teacher / Advisor / Staff Name

\* Teacher / Advisor / Staff Phone #

Teacher / Advisor / Staff Email

Note: This email will receive the requester emails if different from requester

Emergency Contact Info

 Same as Teacher / Advisor / Staff

\* Emergency Contact Name

\* Emergency Contact Phone #

\* Grade Level(s) Making Trip

All  Pre-K  K  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9  10

\* Educational Objective for Field Trip

Visit the seat of government and see the historical sites that we study throughout the year

### Number of Individuals Making Trip

* Male Adult/Chaperone	10	* Female Adult/Chaperone	10	Total Adult/Chaperone	20
* Male Students	40	* Female Students	40	Total Students	80

\* Will the students be away from school during lunch?  Yes  No

### Additional Information

\* Will you be using external transportation-Does NOT include charters-- (includes plane, rental van, personal vehicle or walking)?

\* Please indicate mode of travel instead of, or in addition to, the reserved vehicle(s). Please include details of trip, including itineraries; please do not indicate that in this section. Use the next section to reserve the vehicle.

Charter bus

### Vehicles Needed

\* Do you need a school bus, staff van or charter bus?  Yes  No

Check here to indicate trip is drop-off only Location

Check here to indicate trip is pickup only Location

Vehicle Pickup	Arrive at Venue (Info Only)	Depart Venue (Info Only)	Vehicle Re
* Date 10/5/25	* Date 10/5/25	* Date 10/9/25	* Date
* Time 6:00 AM	* Time 6:00 PM	* Time 7:00 AM	* Time

Total Trip Hours 109.00

\* Type of vehicles needed to reserve Approved Charter

Approved Charter

Eagle Christian Tours

Email

Phone 706-314-8684

Contact

Address PO Box 512

Rome GA

- How many vehicles do you need? 2
- Do you need a wheelchair lift? No

Vehicle Guidelines

School Bus Capacity  
 Elementary School Students=79 max  
 Middle/High School Students=52 max

Nbr Wheelchair Slots 0 Nbr Seatbelts 0 Nbr Fold Down Seats 0

Special Needs

Comments or Details Concerning Needs

General Information

Owner vmack@clevelandschools.org

Bid Id/Closing Date

### Reserve Vehicles

Location Used to Reserve Vehicles 000 Transportation  
 vmack@clevelandschools.org

Trip Location Zone Main

Trip Year/Week:

Trip Hours: 109.00

Total Number of Vehicles Needed: 2

Number w/ Lift:

Person Submitting Request efickley@clevelandschools.org

Date Submitted Dec 6, 2024, 11:23:23 AM

▶ Trip Estimator (click to open and enter additional information for estimating trip cost)

### Level 01 Approval - Location Approval

Comment

Decision Approved

Name nakiona@clevelandschools.org

Decision Date Dec 6, 2024, 6:59:22 PM

### Level 02 Approval - Second Level Location Approval

Comment

Decision Approved

Name llaing@clevelandschools.org

Decision Date Dec 6, 2024, 8:19:49 PM

### Level 07 Approval - Overnight Trip Approval

Comment

Decision Approved

Name jelliott@clevelandschools.org

Decision Date Dec 17, 2024, 11:05:49 AM

### Level 10 Approval - School Board Approval

Comment

Decision  Approved  Denied

Designated Approver awheeler@clevelandschools.org

Name

Decision Date

### Supporting Documents

Choose File No file chosen

Add

School Days: 8:40 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Exceptions may apply. Weekends & Holiday: No time table. If request is on a Holiday, contact the Operations Department for possible rate increase.

**Field Trip Rates**

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Transportation will bill the Trip Sponsor for the driver/mileage/bus/damage after the trip is completed. This will be done on a monthly basis.

Trip Number **2251**

\* Category Travel With Students

\* Type of Trip Athletic

\* Athletic Event (you may check more than one)

Wrestling

**Trip Leave**

\* Date 1/3/25 **Friday**

\* Time 9:00 AM

**Trip Return**

\* Date 1/4/25 **Saturday**

\* Time 4:00 PM

**Trip Year/Week** 2025-01

\* Is this an overnight trip? Yes

Is this an overnight trip? Additional Information

\* Please list all chaperones for this overnight trip including non-staff. Joseph Knox, Jacob Murphy, Wilson Benefield, Matt High

\* Indicate cost per person and how the trip is being funded (parent or district?) \$0

Comments Father Ryan invitational wrestling tournament. Athletes will be staying at the Hampton Inn Nashville/Vanderbilt

\* Your School/Dept ⓘ 019 CHS Athletics  
850 Raider Dr, Cleveland, TN 37312

\* Main Destination ⓘ Other (Type Below)  
700 Norwood Dr, Nashville, TN 37204, USA

Destination Not Listed Father Ryan High School, Norwood Drive, Nashville, TN, USA \* Destination Name Father Ryan

\* Approximate Nbr of Miles Round Trip

\* Funding Source #1 Other Budget Code Boys Wrestling

Funding Source Desc Please indicate the funding information in the Budget Code Field to the right. Budget Code Desc

Funding Approver

\* Teacher / Advisor / Staff Name Seth LaMagna  
\* Teacher / Advisor / Staff Phone # 423-503-5548  
Teacher / Advisor / Staff Email slamagna@clevelandschools.org

**Note:** This email will receive the requester emails if different from requester

Emergency Contact Info  Same as Teacher / Advisor / Staff

\* Emergency Contact Name Seth LaMagna  
\* Emergency Contact Phone # 423-503-5548

### Number of Individuals Making Trip

* Male Adult/Chaperone	2	* Female Adult/Chaperone	1	Total Adult/Chaperone	3
* Male Students	2	* Female Students	0	Total Students	2

### Additional Information

\* Will you be using external transportation--Does NOT include charters-- (includes plane, rental van, personal vehicle or walking)? No

### Vehicles Needed

\* Do you need a school bus, staff van or charter bus? Yes

Check here to indicate trip is drop-off only [Location](#)

Check here to indicate trip is pickup only [Location](#)

#### Vehicle Pickup

\* [Date](#) 1/21/25  
\* [Time](#) 10:00 AM

#### Vehicle Return

\* [Date](#) 1/22/25  
\* [Time](#) 7:30 PM

**Total Trip Hours** 33.50

\* Type of vehicles needed to reserve Van #2  


\* How many vehicles do you need? 1

#### Vehicle Guidelines:

School Bus Capacity:  
Elementary School Students=78 max  
Middle/High School Students=52 max

\* Do you need a wheelchair lift? No

[Nbr Wheelchair Slots](#) 0 [Nbr Seatbelts](#) 0 [Nbr Fold Down Seats](#) 0

#### Special Needs

Comments or Details Concerning Needs

#### General Information

Owner vmack@clevelandschools.org

Bid Id/Closing Date

School Days: 8:40 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Exceptions may apply. Weekends & Holiday: No time table. If request is on a Holiday, contact the Operations Department for possible rate increase.

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Transportation will bill the Trip Sponsor for the driver/mileage/bus/damage after the trip is completed. This will be done on a monthly basis.

Trip Number **2252**  
\* Category Travel With Students  
\* Type of Trip Athletic  
\* Athletic Event (you may check more than one)  
Wrestling

**Trip Leave**

\* Date 1/4/25 **Saturday**  
\* Time 9:00 AM

**Trip Return**

\* Date 1/6/25 **Monday**  
\* Time 10:00 PM

**Trip Year/Week** 2025-01

**Buses are not available before 4:30 PM and must be returned by 12:00 AM.**

\* Is this an overnight trip? Yes

Is this an overnight trip? Additional Information

\* Please list all chaperones for this overnight trip including non-staff. Joseph Knox, Matt High

\* Indicate cost per person and how the trip is being funded (parent or district?) \$0

Comments Cheese Head invitational wrestling tournament. Athletes will be staying in Hilton Garden Inn Appleton/Kimberly

\* Your School/Dept  019 CHS Athletics  
850 Raider Dr, Cleveland, TN 37312

\* Main Destination  Other (Type Below)  
1701 County Rd CE, Kaukauna, WI 54130, USA

Destination Not Listed Kaukauna High School, County Road CE, **\* Destination Name** Cheese Head  
Kaukauna, WI, USA

\* Approximate Nbr of Miles Round Trip

\* **Funding Source #1** Other Budget Code Boys Wrestling

Funding Source Desc Please indicate the funding information in the Budget Code Field to the right. Budget Code Desc

Funding Approver

\* Teacher / Advisor / Staff Name Joey Knox  
\* Teacher / Advisor / Staff Phone # 4235981118  
Teacher / Advisor / Staff Email jknox@clevelandschools.org

**Note: This email will receive the requester emails if different from requester**

Emergency Contact Info **Same as Teacher / Advisor / Staff**

\* Emergency Contact Name John Weiss  
\* Emergency Contact Phone # 4235051814

### Number of Individuals Making Trip

* Male Adult/Chaperone	2	* Female Adult/Chaperone	0	Total Adult/Chaperone	2
* Male Students	4	* Female Students	0	Total Students	4

### Additional Information

\* Will you be using external transportation-Does NOT include charters-- (includes plane, rental van, personal vehicle or walking)? Yes

\* Please indicate mode of travel instead of, or in addition to, the reserved vehicle(s). Please include details of trip, including itineraries. If using a Charter company please do not indicate that in this section. Use the next section to reserve the vehicle.

Parent vehicle

### Vehicles Needed

\* Do you need a school bus, staff van or charter bus? No

Person Submitting Request jweiss@clevelandschools.org

Date Submitted

### Level 01 Approval - Location Approval

Comment

Decision Approved

Name almorris@clevelandschools.org

Decision Date Dec 27, 2024, 12:00:16 PM

### Level 07 Approval - Overnight Trip Approval

Comment

Decision Approved

Name jelliott@clevelandschools.org

Decision Date Dec 27, 2024, 2:15:06 PM

### Level 10 Approval - School Board Approval

Comment

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Trip Number **2253**

\* Category Travel With Students

\* Type of Trip Athletic

\* Athletic Event (you may check more than one)

Bowling

**Trip Leave**

\* Date 1/21/25 **Tuesday**

\* Time 10:30 AM

**Trip Return**

\* Date 1/22/25 **Wednesday**

\* Time 7:00 PM

**Trip Year/Week** 2025-04

**Buses are not available before 4:30 PM and must be returned by 12:00 AM.**

\* Is this an overnight trip? Yes

Is this an overnight trip? Additional Information

\* Please list all chaperones for this overnight trip including non-staff. Tony Bullington, Hannah Buttolph

\* Indicate cost per person and how the trip is being funded (parent or district?) District

Comments State Tournament for Bowling

\* Your School/Dept ⓘ 020 Cleveland High School  
850 Raider Drive, Cleveland, TN 37312

\* Main Destination ⓘ Other (Type Below)  
2565 Highwood Blvd, Smyrna, TN 37167, USA

Destination Not Listed 2565 Highwood Blvd, Smyrna, TN, 37167 \* Destination Name Holiday Inn

\* Approximate Nbr of Miles Round Trip

\* Funding Source #1 District Budget Code

Funding Source Desc Budget Code Desc

Funding Approver

\* Teacher / Advisor / Staff Name Joey Knox  
\* Teacher / Advisor / Staff Phone # 4235981118  
Teacher / Advisor / Staff Email jknox@clevelandschools.org

**Note: This email will receive the requester emails if different from requester**

Emergency Contact Info **Same as Teacher / Advisor / Staff**

\* Emergency Contact Name John Weiss  
\* Emergency Contact Phone # 4235051814

### Number of Individuals Making Trip

* Male Adult/Chaperone	4	* Female Adult/Chaperone	0	Total Adult/Chaperone	4
* Male Students	14	* Female Students	0	Total Students	14

### Additional Information

\* Will you be using external transportation-Does NOT include charters-- (includes plane, rental van, personal vehicle or walking)? Yes

\* Please indicate mode of travel instead of, or in addition to, the reserved vehicle(s). Please include details of trip, including itineraries. If using a Charter company please-do not indicate-that in this section. Use the next section to reserve-the-vehicle:

Parent vehicle:-

### Vehicles Needed

\* Do you need a school bus, staff van or charter bus? No

Person Submitting Request jweiss@clevelandschools.org  
Date Submitted

### Level 01 Approval - Location Approval

Comment  
Decision Approved  
Name almorris@clevelandschools.org  
Decision Date Dec 27, 2024, 11:59:49 AM

### Level 07 Approval - Overnight Trip Approval

Comment  
Decision Approved  
Name jelliott@clevelandschools.org  
Decision Date Dec 27, 2024, 2:15:48 PM

### Level 10 Approval - School Board Approval

Comment  
Decision  
Designated Approver awheeler@clevelandschools.org

Section 4 Instructional Services Policies of the Board Policy Manual were reviewed and considered for updates in accordance with the [Cleveland City Schools Board Policy Review Schedule](#). These policies may be found in the [CCS Board Policy Manual Section 4](#). After the review, the following board policies do not need to change with the exception of the annual date of review.

- 4.100 Instructional Goals
- 4.101 Instructional Standards
- 4.200 Curriculum Development
  - 4.201 Class Size Ratios
  - 4.202 Special Education
  - 4.204 Summer Instructional Programs
  - 4.205 Enrollment in Advanced Courses
  - 4.206 Homebound Instruction
  - 4.207 English Learners
  - 4.208 Adult Education Program
  - 4.209 Alternative Credit Options
  - 4.210 Credit Recovery
  - 4.211 Work-based Learning
  - 4.212 Virtual Education Program
  - 4.213 Family Life Education
  - 4.214 Use of Artificial Intelligence Programs
- 4.300 Extracurricular Activities
  - 4.301 Interscholastic Athletics
  - 4.302 Field Trips and Excursions



- 4.400 Textbooks and Instructional Materials
  - 4.402 Reconsideration of Instructional Materials and Textbooks
  - 4.403 Library Materials
  - 4.404 Use of Copyrighted Materials
  - 4.406 Use of the Internet
  - 4.407 School and System Websites
  - 4.408 Use of Multimedia
  - 4.409 Website Accessibility
- 4.500 Community Instructional Resources
  - 4.501 School Volunteers
  - 4.502 Parent and Family Engagement
    - 4.5021 Family Engagement
- 4.600 Grading Systems
  - 4.601 Reporting Student Progress
  - 4.602 Class Ranking
  - 4.603 Promotion and Retention
  - 4.605 Graduation Requirements
  - 4.606 Graduation Activities
  - 4.607 Waivers of Statute, Rules, and Regulations
  - 4.608 Transcript Alterations
- 4.700 Testing Programs
  - 4.701 Maintaining Test and Data Security
  - 4.702 Evaluations of Instructional Programs
- 4.800 Controversial Issues
  - 4.801 Controversial Materials



4.802 Student Equal Access

4.803 Recognition of Religious Beliefs, Customs, & Holidays

4.804 Religious Content of Courses

4.805 Prayer and Period of Silence



# Director's Update

January 6, 2025

# Highlighted December Events

- **CCS held a “Blue on the Green” at the ESC on Thursday, December 5th.**
- **CMS Staff hosted the CCS Board for breakfast on December 10th.**
- **CCS Board met on Tuesday December 10th for a Facilities Committee meeting.**
- **CCS Board met on Thursday, December 12th for a Strategic Plan Board Retreat Update.**
- **During the Board Retreat, Adam Lowe and Kevin Raper updated the Board on legislative priorities for 2025.**
- **Schools hosted fantastic holiday events throughout the district.**



# Upcoming Events

- **Teachers will attend District-focused In-Service on Tuesday, January 7th.**
- **Students return to school on Wednesday, January 8th.**
- **Schools will be closed on Monday, January 20th for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.**
- **Next Breakfast with the Board will be held at Blythe-Bower on January 28th at 8:00 a.m.**
- **Our winter sports season is in full swing during the month of January.**



# Champions of the Month – January

**CLEVELAND MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**Elijah Patterson - 6th Grade Student**

**Jessica Harvey - Special Education Assistant**



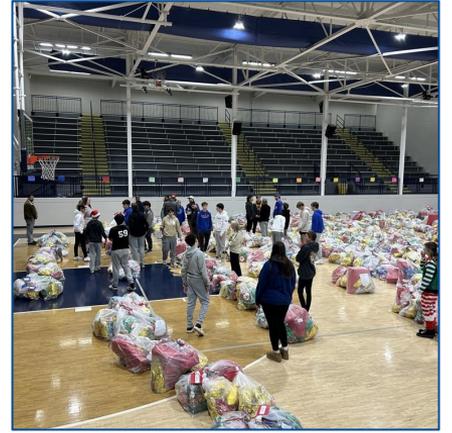
# Cleveland City Schools – December



# Cleveland City Schools – December



# The Empty Stocking





# Director's Update

January 6, 2025

# Cleveland Middle School Highlights



# Current Athletic Highlight



Bristol Potter and Kayleigh Miller  
- State Individual Champions



*CMS Wrestlers take State Championship!*



# Christmas Concerts featuring CMS 'United Sound'

# Multicultural Fashion Show & Culinary Tasting



# Care Efforts...



Fundraiser for Pediatric  
Cancer Awareness  
Foundations - \$3,200



Cuts for Christmas 2024  
- 38 students take part



Student Council  
"Kindness Coins" and  
Thanksgiving Meal  
Distribution (70 full Meals  
Given out)



Raider Tree 2024 -  
Over 60 students  
sponsored so far!

# Cleveland

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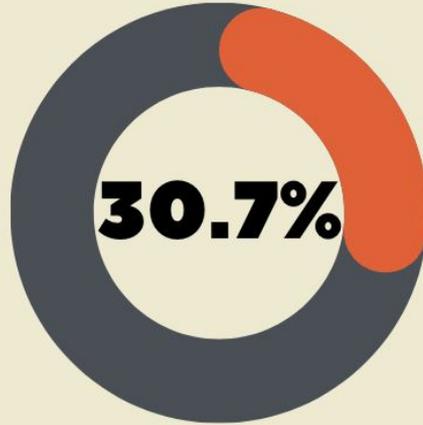
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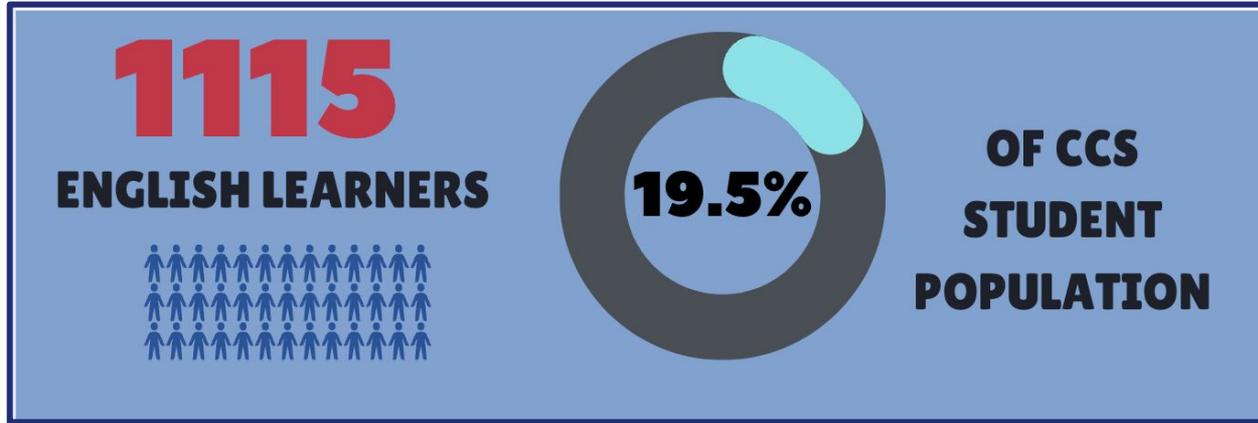
# Multilingual Background Students

**1752**



**MULTILINGUAL  
BACKGROUND**

# English Learner Demographics



# Languages and Countries Represented



20+

**LANGUAGES OTHER THAN  
ENGLISH IN CCS**

Spanish  
Ukrainian  
Chuukese  
Vietnamese  
Gujarati  
Russian  
Chinese  
French



40+

**BIRTH  
COUNTRIES**

Where are our English Learners from?

United States  
Mexico  
Guatemala  
Honduras  
Ukraine  
India  
Colombia  
Cuba  
Venezuela  
China

SCHOOL	# of ENGLISH LEARNERS	% of SCHOOL	Number of ESL Teachers
Arnold	93	29.8%	3
Blythe-Bower	178	26.6%	4
Candy's Creek	73	16.1%	2
D.P. Yates	67	24.6%	2
E.L. Ross	52	19.2%	2
Mayfield	96	23.6%	3
Stuart	82	30.6%	2
CMS	218	16.7%	7
CHS	218	12.3%	8

# English Learner Breakdown by School





# Cleveland City Schools ESL Department Mission

Our ESL Department, including the ESL Supervisor, ESL Teacher Leaders, and ESL Building Level Teachers want to support:



## **Our Students**

in growing their English proficiency and building the skills for success in work and life

## **Our Teachers**

in providing instruction that engages students and connects all students to grade level standards.

## **Our Schools**

in designing ESL programming that sets up our students for success.

## **Our Families**

in connecting with the school system as partners in their student's education.

# 2024-25 Updates

## Student Support

- 79 students exited ESL Services (tested as fully proficient) - Spring 2024
- EL Subgroup - TVAAS Level 3 or higher for all grade levels in ELA and Math
- After-school Tutoring - 100 students
- Students with Interrupted Formal Education (SIFE) support classes at CMS
- Co-teaching initiative at CHS (ESL support for English 1 and 4, Algebra 1, Geometry, World History)

## Teacher Support

- ELLevation Strategies training
- TNTESOL State Conference - 20 ESL teachers in attendance

## School Support

- ILP Processes - running smoothly and generating appropriate funding
- 3 Teacher Leaders - Coaching support, Mentoring for ESL teachers, and ILP development

## Family Support

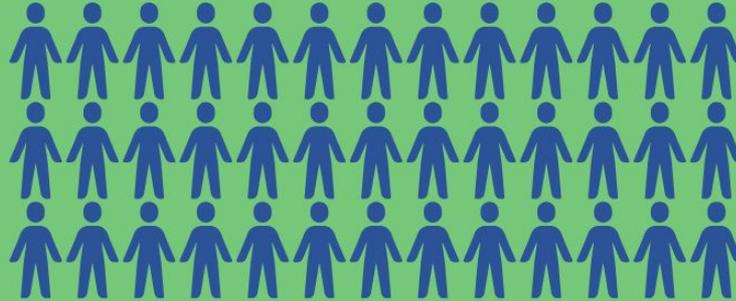
- Variety of ESL Family Nights at individual schools



# Former English Learners

**325**

**FORMER ENGLISH  
LEARNERS**



**Class of 2025 Seniors**  
57 FELLs



# Celeste Gonzalez



**Elementary School:** Arnold Memorial

**Special Teacher:** Mrs. Megan VanBenschoten

**Activities:**

- CHS Dance Team
- Spanish National Honor Society
- Hispanic Organization Promoting Education (HOPE) Club

**Family Background:** Mexico



# Brenda Solorzano



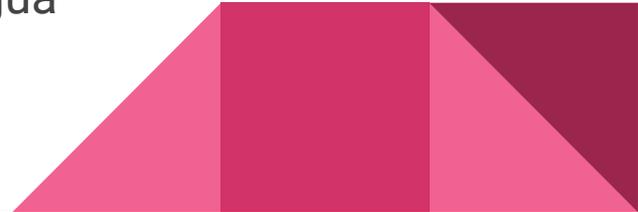
**Elementary School:** George R. Stuart

**Special Teachers:** Mrs. Christina Melton, Ms. Kristin Gowin

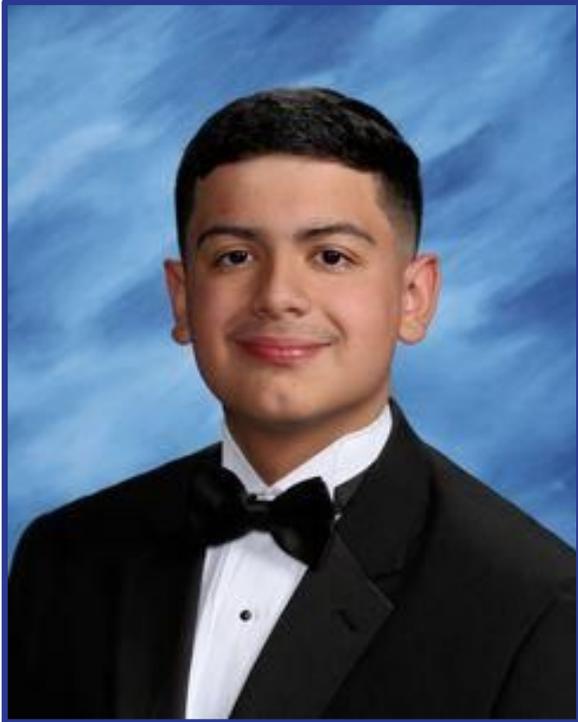
**Activities:**

- TVEC Program
- Model UN
- Bowling Team

**Family Background:** Nicaragua



# Mario Ulloa



**Elementary School:** Yates Primary/ E.L. Ross

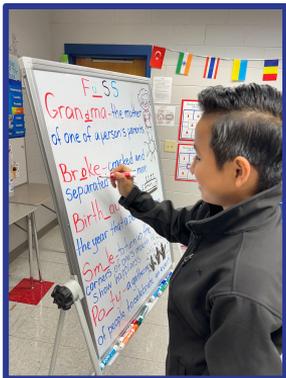
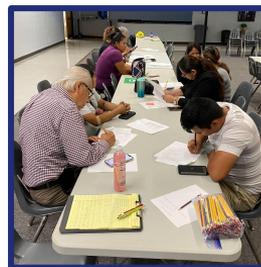
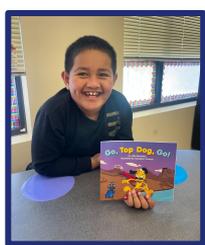
**Special Teacher:** Mrs. Anne Horn

**Activities:**

- Student Body President
- Chamber of Commerce Youth Leadership Program

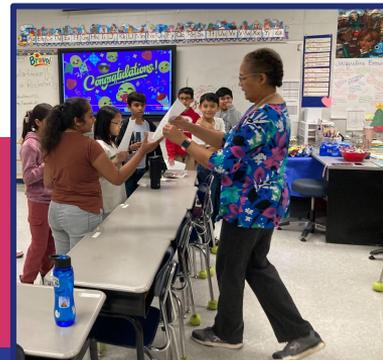
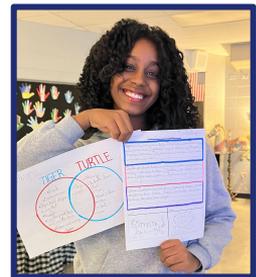
**Family Background:** Honduras





# Cleveland CITY SCHOOLS

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE



## RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**WHEREAS**, the Cleveland City Schools Board of Education is charged with governing the school district so that all students receive the best educational opportunities in order to graduate prepared to enter a postsecondary institution or the workforce; and

**WHEREAS**, Cleveland City Schools consists of seven elementary schools, one middle school, and one high school; and

**WHEREAS**, Cleveland City Schools provides an exceptional education to over 5,700 students; and

**WHEREAS**, public schools are a foundational element of local communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Cleveland City Schools is committed to maintaining local control over its schools, ensuring that they are reflective of the community's needs and values; and

**WHEREAS**, local taxpayers contribute taxes to support and maintain Cleveland City Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, keeping public dollars within public schools is crucial to maintaining the quality and accessibility of education for all students; and

**WHEREAS**, schools receiving any public funds should be held to the same accountability standards as public schools to ensure transparency, fiscal responsibility, and educational effectiveness; and

**WHEREAS**, diverting public dollars to private institutions without appropriate oversight undermines the financial stability of public schools and erodes public trust; and



**WHEREAS**, fiscal responsibility requires that any public funds allocated to private schools are subject to the same measures of fiscal and educational accountability applied to public schools; and

**WHEREAS**, the expansion of current voucher programs should be deferred until a comprehensive review of outcomes and funding impacts is conducted to determine their effectiveness and ensure no adverse effects on public school resources; and

**WHEREAS**, Cleveland City Schools is held accountable for numerous areas of performance and compliance as defined by state and federal regulations, including academic achievement, student engagement, equity, college and career readiness, financial stewardship, teacher effectiveness, school safety, and grant compliance; and

**WHEREAS**, these accountability measures guide Cleveland City Schools in its commitment to educational excellence and the fulfillment of its mission to serve all students effectively;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that we express our unwavering support for public education in our city and in our state; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cleveland City Schools Board of Education affirms the importance of prioritizing and protecting funding for public schools, ensuring that they have the necessary resources to provide a high-quality education for all students; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cleveland City Schools Board of Education maintains that public funds should exclusively support public schools and remain separate from private school funding; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cleveland City Schools Board of Education asserts that any school receiving public funds must meet the same accountability standards as public schools to ensure fiscal responsibility and educational outcomes; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cleveland City Schools Board of Education calls for the deferral of any expansion to the current voucher program until its outcomes and funding



impact can be thoroughly reviewed, ensuring no detriment to public education; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cleveland City Schools Board of Education reaffirms its commitment to its fundamental beliefs of:

**Ensuring Student Academic Success**, by providing rigorous and engaging academic programs tailored to diverse student needs, empowering all students to achieve their highest potential.

**Supporting Students and Families with Services**, by addressing the physical, mental, and social needs of students, creating a nurturing environment where students and families can thrive.

**Recruiting, Developing, and Retaining Highly Effective Employees**, by fostering a learning environment led by passionate, qualified educators who inspire excellence and drive student success.

**Creating a Clear Culture of Communication**, by promoting transparency, collaboration, and trust within the school community to achieve a shared vision for student success.

**Cleveland City Schools  
Financial Report  
November 2024**

Balance on hand November 1, 2024	12,111,797.17
<b>RECEIPTS</b>	
City Clerk's Monthly Report	5,578,074.61
Misc. Reimbursement #44170	(22,181.26)
AFJROTC #44570	7,499.68
Interest Earned	<u>38,428.96</u>
	<u>17,713,619.16</u>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>	
Regular Instruction Program	3,318,395.14
Special Education Program	584,194.45
Vocational Education Program	194,729.42
Attendance	13,829.80
Health Services	61,055.19
Other Student Support	305,817.70
Regular Instruction Support	229,259.55
Special Education Support	17,225.39
Vocational Education Support	12,921.12
Technology	83,759.33
Board of Education	9,007.04
Office of the Superintendent	56,270.07
Office of the Principal	371,231.73
Fiscal Services	42,973.17
Operation of Plant	270,467.64
Maintenance of Plant	319,497.53
Transportation	173,020.28
Food Service	12,519.91
Community Services	0.00
Early Childhood Education	105,366.66
Regular Capital Outlay	386,702.55
Education Debt Service	<u>5,656.00</u>
	6,573,899.67
Retirement withheld not paid	(438,512.41)
Retirement paid	385,780.46
Balance December 1, 2024	<u>11,192,451.44</u>
	<u>17,713,619.16</u>

Respectfully submitted,



Jeff Elliott  
Director of Schools

## **Personnel Items – December 2024**

### **Assignments**

Bucklelew, Justin, YA (Assistant), Effective December 2, 2024

Miles, Jennifer, CHS (Teacher -CTE), Effective December 2, 2024

Brown, Dana, CHS (Teacher -CTE), Effective December 9, 2024

Shroyer, Chloe, MA (Assistant), Effective December 10, 2024

### **Resignations**

McDaniel, Chelsea, ST (Assistant TAB), Effective December 5, 2024

Brown, Shannon, AR (Assistant), Effective December 20, 2024

Riojas, Sandra, CCC (Assistant), Effective December 20, 2024

Calandrillo, Melissa, ESC/ST (Speech language pathologist), Effective December 20, 2024

Klepper, Alicia, CMS (Assistant), Effective December 20, 2024

### **Transfers**

Caraway, Laura, CCC (PT Int) to CCC (Instr. Asst PT-Title I), Effective December 2, 2024

### **Retirements**

Phillips, Ronda, YA (Teacher), Effective December 20, 2024

Pretzer, Barbara, BB (Assistant), Effective December 20, 2024

### **Leaves of Absence**