

# **News & Notes**

A newsletter from Superintendent of Schools Dr. Charles Galluzzo

Following the Board of Education Meetings of Oct. 12 and 19, 2021

# The Board of Education, at its Oct. 19 Meeting:

Accepted with regret the resignation of ...

**Cynthia Latimore,**Board of Education Trustee

**Danielle Ward,**Teaching Assistant

Suzanne Seneca, Personal Care Aide

Kenneth Hontz, Bus Driver

**Doreen Chaplin,**Cafeteria Monitor

**Lori Raphael,** Cafeteria Monitor

**Danielle Kabel,**Fitness Center Attendant

Approved the appointment of:

Hannah Harshberger,
Probationary
Teaching Assistant

Approved the six-month probationary appointment of ...

Valerie Lattin, Clerk Typist

Tracy Garrison, Clerk Typist

Con't ...



#### Hello Everyone,

Fall is abundant with color and it's not just the leaves. October has brought an array of color to our schools, each with its attendant theme and messaging.

This Friday, we observe Breast Cancer Awareness with attire and displays of pink. Earlier this week, we wore orange to signal our commitment to bullying prevention.

Orange also was the color worn last month as we observed Every Child Matters, honoring the lost children and survivors of residential schools, their families and communities. Next week, we observe Red Ribbon Week, with red the dominant color in posters and banners, balloons and attire. And next week we follow the Yellow Brick Road, with the High School production of the Wizard of Oz. (If you haven't seen this rehearsal clip on Facebook, I'm sharing it now—a beautiful rendition of Somewhere Over the Rainbow performed by Hannah Dunmire, who portrays Dorothy in the show.)

And, of course, we all show our support for the Bills—red, blue and white.

Now, as we approach November, please mark your calendars and invite family and friends to celebrate the green & white at the ribbon cutting and tour of our new High School addition 6-8 pm, Nov. 18 (please use the Eagle Drive athletic wing entrance.)

Enjoy the fall colors and all the colors representing the people and causes and projects that mean so much to us. Have a great weekend, everyone.

Dr. Charles Galluzzo, Superintendent

# REMINDER TO ALL UNVACCINATED EMPLOYEES Weekly MANDATORY TESTING Requirements

#### TESTING IS MANDATORY for ALL UNVACCINATED EMPLOYEES

Testing cycles start on Sundays and end on Saturdays.

Results must be in pdf format and MUST include
your name, date of test (collection date), and results of test.

If you don't have the results by the Saturday deadline, you must provide confirmation of the date/time of your test (proof of appointment) and then send the results as soon as you receive them.

Proof of appointment/testing results should be sent to the to COVID.info@lscsd.org email address only.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Unvaccinated employees are required to get tested weekly regardless of break/recess or other benefit time (vacation, bereavement leave, or any other reason) used in order to be in full compliance.

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Tara Gabryszak, Personal Care Aide

> Arthur Loran, Bus Driver

**Lori Quinn,**Bus Attendant

Heather Rodgers, Bus Attendant

Kathleen Rose, Monitor

Rebecca Ramos, Monitor

McKynzie Ringer, Fitness Center Attendant

In a special Board of Education meeting on Oct. 12, the Board approved the following for Phase 4 of the Capital Improvement Project:

Stohl Environmental, LLC, asbestos project air monitoring & testing

CME Associates, Inc., construction testing

CJ Brown Energy, PC, commissioning services

GameTime Playgrounds, playground replacements at Highland and A. J. Schmidt

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# **Board Reports**

LSCSD Board Meeting of Oct. 19, 2021

## ... On the State of Technology

Jeff Barnes, Director of Technology/Chief Information Officer, updated the Board on the District's progress toward digital equity, which involves ensuring adequate access to devices and Internet connectivity, whether the District is in full in-person, hybrid or full remote instruction. Thanks to T-Mobile's free hot spots (275 provided every year for five years) in its Project 10Million program, as well as 65 Verizon hot spots, there is better Internet access in areas where coverage has been spotty. Access to personal learning devices also is progressing. This year, the District has loaned out 1164 Chromebooks to grade 6-12 students, and as part of the third round of Smart Schools grant money, will roll out Chromebooks to all students in grades K-5 this spring. By the end of the school year, the goal is to have every student K-12 with a Chromebook, depending on current inventory and shipping issues. "To think of how far we've come in the last 18 months, this is really very remarkable," said Board member Kathleen Chiavetta.

## ... On the State of ARP Funding & Initiatives

Superintendent Dr. Charles Galluzzo updated the Board on use of the District's \$4.3 million in funds to be used over the next three years from the American Rescue Plan's Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Program. The funds will be used for various safety measures, to maintain in-person instruction, and for programs to help blunt the impact and limitations that Covid-19 imposed on students and instruction. Efforts to fill learning gaps include increases in instructional staffing at the elementary level and increased electives at the High School. Strategies to support learning also include summer and after-school programs and a variety of social-emotional programs. In addition, the District has used funding to help acquire sufficient supplies of personal protective equipment. Providing the technology needed in the event of a return to remote instruction also are part of this plan, although funding for these efforts has come from other grant sources.



The picture doesn't do it justice, but that was a glorious full moon over the District's buses on Tuesday night... plus lingering blushes of pink from the sunset.



# Ovation!

LSCSD Board Meeting Diploma Presentation, Oct. 19, 2021





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Anastasi Truck & Paving, site work

**Transit Construction,**General Trades

**DV Brown & Associates,** plumbing

DV Brown & Associates, mechanical

Goodwin Electrical, electrical contract

Approved the probationary appointment of ...

Diane Hart, Elementary (PreK-6) Teacher, effective 11/10/21

## **NEXT**

Board of Education Meetings Nov. 2 ... Work Session, 7 pm

Nov. 16 ... Regular Meeting, 7 pm

Nicholas Korzkowski, Jr., and family.

Kyle Krysztofowicz and family.

### **Honoring LSHS August Graduates**

Lake Shore High School's August graduates were honored on Tuesday night with a presentation of diplomas, a standing ovation—and cake!

Graduates Nicholas Korzkowski, Jr., and Kyle Krysztofowicz were present with their families and heard praise from Principal Tim Flanagan. Mr. Flanagan noted that they put in the "time, effort and energy to work very hard to earn a diploma," adding, "Life is so much easier with this piece of paper. And, hey—you guys get an indoor graduation!"

Once the diplomas were presented, Nicholas and Kyle posed for photos with their families. After a standing ovation from all present, the Board of Education recessed for a brief cake reception.

Also graduating in August, but not attending the diploma presentation, were Shane Sodaro and Maddi Santana.



# **School Board Recognition Week**





### **Honoring School Board Members**

The New York State School Boards Association sponsors School Board Recognition Week to recognize school board members for their commitment to New York public school children. The week highlights these volunteers' efforts to ensure they receive some of the thanks they deserve. School Board Recognition Week also helps raise community awareness and understanding about the crucial role school board members have within a school district.

Honored with Certificates of Appreciation at Tuesday night's Board meeting were, from left: Jennifer Michalec, President; Carla Thompson, Vice President; Trustees Kathleen Chiavetta, Bill Connors, Michael Franey; Christopher Binder, and Student Representative Tyler Schott.







**Erie County Association of School Boards Honors Lake Shore School Board Members** 

Carla Thompson and Kathleen Chiavetta received ECASB Rising Star Awards for their participation in board development activities. Jennifer Michalec received an ECASB service award for her 15 years as a school board member. Here, she receives congratulations from Superintendent Galluzzo.

Renee Wilson, ECASB President, presents Kathleen Chiavetta with the Lorie E. Sabo Advocacy Award, in recognition of her legislative advocacy work.

# Take A Seat!



# WIZARD of OZ

## tickets online

and you can pick your seat! Showtimes: 7 pm, Oct. 28 & 29; 2 p.m. Oct. 30



## **MUSICAL CHAIRS**

#### The chair auction returns!

Chairs decorated by High School art students will be on display during the musical and auctioned as a fundraiser for the High School's Art Scholarship Fund.

Be ready to bid, they look very cool!

At left: Blake Hageman and Autumn Pruchnicki work on a chair.

#### Great Surprise! \$1000 United Way Grand Prize Day!

Middle School Math Teacher
Valerie Smith had a great surprise
when she was announced a
United Way Challenge Grand
Prize Winner.

Mrs. Smith is at left with her \$1,000 award from
Ashley Home Furniture. She is joined by Superintendent Dr.
Charles Galluzzo and United Way representative Elizabeth Parkes.





**Lake Shore Central School District** 

## **RIBBON CUTTING & TOUR**

of the new High School Addition

959 Beach Road, Angola, NY 14006 Enter at the New Athletic Entrance off Eagle Drive

# **Showing Our Colors!**



 $Mrs.\ Addison's\ J.T\ Waugh\ students\ pose\ for\ Unity\ Day.$ 



in observance of Every Child Matters.



Go Bills!



"Wear Pink" wall banner and hallway display at the High School.



Cordelia Haring and Debra Jimerson rockin' their Red Ribbon Week message on Eagle Drive.

# **Lake Shore is Bills Country!**















HS Principal Tim Flanagan speaks with Leadership in Action students.
- Photo by Jeff Connors

## Welcome Back, Mr. Flanagan!

Lake Shore High School's Leadership in Action Class welcomed Mr. Tim Flanagan back to the school when the former assistant principal (2015-18), now principal, stopped by to talk about his definition of leadership and what it's like to be the leader of a school.

Students listened as he shared his experiences and why, at times, it's difficult being a high school principal. Mr. Flanagan discussed what integrity means to him, and how it is an essential quality in a good leader - especially in a school environment. Students asked questions about his education, experience and favorite aspects about being a school administrator.

"Experiences and visits like this enable Lake Shore students to get a diverse and well-rounded education regarding the definitions and roles of leadership," says Student Instructional Coach Jeff Connors. "The class thanks Mr. Flanagan for coming to our class, and we wish him the best of luck as he enters his new leadership adventure here at Lake Shore High School!"



# **COVID Notes**

# LSCSD Working to STOP COVID

LSCSD employees and students can help stem the spread of COVID-19 in a new collaboration with the Erie County Department of Health.

This initiative involves two types of FREE, VOLUNTARY COVID-19 testing: surveillance testing (weekly monitoring via self-testing) and proximal testing (for those in the same air space as an infected individual but not close enough to be considered a close contact).

These self-administered tests are a simple oral swab, not a nasal swab.

For more information, click **HERE.** 





# Erie County COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic

Lake Shore High School

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor New Athletic Wing (Enter via New Athletic Entrance off Eagle Drive) 959 Beach Rd, Angola 14006

Friday, October 22nd, 2021 ~ 2pm to 7 pm

First-dose Pfizer (ages 12+) Second-dose Pfzier

First-dose Moderna (ages 18+)

Parental consent required for ages 12-17.

Registration suggested, walk-ins welcome. Bring photo ID. Call (716) 858-2929 or visit www.erie.gov/vax.

### Did You Know ...

You can find reported cases of COVID-19 in our schools posted on our COVID-19 Dashboard.

Rather than using Blackboard Connect to provide email or phone notification of positive cases, you can find the information on the dashboard (located on our main web site home page) at your convenience.

# **COVID-19 Testing Locations**

## Area Testing Locations based on information from their websites. This information is subject to change.

#### Rite Aid Testing Sites - www.riteaid.com

13090 Broadway, Alden, NY 14004

12983 Main St, Akron, NY 14001

3249 Sheridan Dr., Amherst, NY 14226

3924 Harlem Rd, Amherst, NY 14226

8530 Transit Rd, Amherst, NY 14221

9062 Erie Rd, Angola, NY 14006

1625 Broadway, Buffalo, NY 14212

1941 Seneca St, Buffalo, NY 14210

476 William St, Buffalo, NY 14206

1410 Delaware Ave, Buffalo, NY 14209

2047 Sheridan Dr, Buffalo, NY 14223

789 Tonawanda St, Buffalo, NY 14207

2865 Elmwood Ave, Kenmore, NY 14217

654 Colvin Ave, Kenmore, NY 14217

2585 Main St, Buffalo, NY 14214

291 W Ferry St, Buffalo, NY 14213

2474 Bailey Ave, Buffalo, NY 14215

5447 Main St, Williamsville, NY 14221

2401 Genesee St, Cheektowaga, NY 14225

2887 Harlem Rd, Cheektowaga, NY 14225

3950 Union Rd, Cheektowaga, NY 14225

6000 Transit Rd, Depew, NY 14043

4900 Broadway, Depew, NY 14043

60 Central Ave, Lancaster, NY 14086

9160 Main St, Clarence, NY 14031

190 Main St, East Aurora, NY 14052

3071-3085 South Park Ave, Lackawanna, NY 14218

3050 Union Rd, Orchard Park, NY 14127

140 Pine St, Hamburg, NY 14075

6939 Erie Rd, Derby, NY 14047

40 W Main St, Springville, NY 14141

81 W Main St, Gowanda, NY 14070

214 Central Ave, Silver Creek, NY 14136

47 Niagara St, Tonawanda, NY 14150

#### Walgreens Testing Sites – www.walgreens.com 9217

Main St, Clarence, NY 14031

5275 Transit Rd, Buffalo, NY 14221

2970 Niagara Falls Blvd, Amherst, NY 14228 3564

Delaware Ave, Tonawanda, NY 14217

2601 Sheridan Dr, Tonawanda, NY 14150

3605 Sheridan Dr, Amherst, NY 14226

2739 Delaware Ave, Kenmore, NY 14217

1556 Hertel Ave, Buffalo, NY 14216

3488 Main St, Buffalo, NY 14214

2043 Kensington Ave, Amherst, NY 14226

578 Dick Rd, Depew, NY 14043

4815 Broadway, Depew, NY 14043

#### Walgreens Testing Sites - www.walgreens.com 9217

815 Harlem Rd, West Seneca, NY 14224

1180 French Rd, Cheektowaga, NY 14227

1328 Abbott Rd, Lackawanna, NY 14218

3008 Union Rd, Orchard Park, NY 14127

6199 South Park Ave, Hamburg, NY 14075

10 Young Street, Tonawanda, NY 14150

650 Delaware Ave, Buffalo, NY 14202

2320 Grand Island Blvd, Grand Island, NY 14072

#### **KSL Diagnostics Testing Sites**

1000 Youngs Road, Williamsville, NY 14221, 800-960-1080, FAX 716-559-1582

28 Best Street, Buffalo, NY 14209, 800-960-1080, FAX 716-800-6057

#### Medlab, Inc. Testing Site

4110 N Buffalo St, Orchard Park, NY 14127, 716-320-3001

#### **Immediate Care Testing Sites**

2099 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst, NY 14228, 716-564-2273

2497 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14216, 716-874-

5014 Transit Road, Cheektowaga, NY 14043, 716-684-

3050 Orchard Park Road, Orchard Park, NY 14224, 716-675-3700

7616 Transit Road, Williamsville, NY 14221, 716-204-2273

#### WellNow Testing Sites

1956 Ridge Road, West Seneca, NY 14224

3245 Southwestern Blvd, Orchard Park, NY 14127 4909

Southwestern Blvd, Hamburg, NY 14075

4827 Transit Road, Depew, NY 14043

3450 Union Road, Cheektowaga, NY 14225

3921 Harlem Rd, Buffalo, NY 14226

1751 Sheridan Dr, Buffalo, NY 14223

5965 Transit Rd, East Amherst, NY 14051

225 S Cascade Dr, Springville, NY 14141

#### **Pediatric Urgent Care Testing Sites**

1800 Maple Road, Suite #100, Williamsville, NY 14221, 716-636-5437

3055 Southwestern Blvd., Suite 104, Orchard Park, NY 14127, 716-636-5437