



**Board of Education
Big Lake School District #727
Regular Meeting**

**Thursday, September 24, 2020
6:30 PM
Virtual
701 Minnesota Ave
Big Lake, MN 55309**

Mission Statement

Our mission is to challenge, educate, & inspire all students to reach their highest level of achievement in academics, athletics, & the arts.

- I. Call to Order
Chair, Tonya Reasoner
- II. Roll Call
Chair, Tonya Reasoner
- III. Approve Agenda
Chair, Tonya Reasoner
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance
Chair, Tonya Reasoner
- V. Open Forum
Chair, Tonya Reasoner
- VI. Consent Agenda
Chair, Tonya Reasoner
 - A. Previous Minutes
Minutes from the August 27, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
 - B. Claims and Accounts
Claims and Accounts for the month of September
 - C. Credit Card Report

 - D. Personnel

 - E. Fundraisers
- VII. Donations
Chair, Tonya Reasoner
- VIII. Financial Report (*C. Strong Financial Foundation*)
Director of Business Services, Angie Manuel August report will be presented.
- IX. Approve 2021 Preliminary Levy Certification (*C. Strong Financial Foundation*)
Director of Business Services, Angie Manuel
- X. Big Lake High School Assessment Day Update (*A. Implement Practices for Exceptional Learning*)
Assistant Principal, Angie Charboneau-Folch
- XI. Big Lake Online Update (*A. Implement Practices for Exceptional Learning*)
Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, David Bernard
- XII. Superintendent's Report (*F. Expand and Strengthen Public Support*)
Superintendent, Tim Truebenbach Monthly Superintendent's Report

XIII. Adjournment

Chair, Tonya Reasoner

Strategic Directions

- A. Implement practices that ensure all learners achieve at exceptional levels
- B. Ensure that staff, students, and families share in the accountability for the educational success of each student
- C. Establish a strong financial foundation that supports achievement of school district goals
- D. Seamlessly integrate technology as both a tool and a catalyst to maximize daily learning opportunities for students and staff
- E. Ensure that the facilities and infrastructure of Big Lake Schools are designed to optimize student learning in a safe, sustainable, and attractive environment
- F. Expand and strengthen public support for the school district

**ISD 727 SCHOOL BOARD
PERSONNEL ACTIONS
09/24/2020**

Employee	Position	Effective Date
HIRE		
Aase, Athena	Long Term Substitute Teacher – Liberty Elementary	TBD
Aughenbaugh, Lisa	Cafeteria/Recess Monitor – Liberty Elementary	09/16/2020
Dieterichs, Kayla	Cafeteria/Recess Monitor – Liberty Elementary	09/09/2020
Heigl, Brent	Long Term Substitute Teacher – Independence Elementary	09/20/2020
Remarcik, Beth – Transfer	Education Assistant – School Readiness Paraprofessional	09/14/2020
Klofstad, Joni	Cafeteria/Recess Monitor – Independence Elementary	09/10/2020
Lenker, Ruth	Long Tern Substitute Teacher – Liberty Elementary	Mid October
Szymanski, Nickolas	Long Term Substitute Teacher – High School	09/03/2020
Van Dover, Brandon	Cafeteria/Recess Monitor – Independence Elementary	09/14/2020
Employee	Position	Effective Date
DeLong, Aya – Resignation	Education Assistant – Middle School	10/02/2020
Faust, Karla – Resignation	Health Assistant – Independence Elementary	09/25/2020
Reinking, Jillyane – Resignation	Education Assistant – Independence Elementary	09/04/2020

***Changes added after original form distributed**

09/24/2020 10:30 AM

**ISD 727 SCHOOL BOARD
FUNDRAISERS ACTION
09/24/2020**

Elementary PTO, contactless selling of items through Cherry Fundraising, 10/2-10/16/2020, proceeds for programs and resources for elementary students

09/03/2020

The following resolution was moved by _____ and seconded by _____:

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATIONS

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 123B.02, Subd. 6 provides: “The board may receive, for the benefit of the district, bequests, donations, or gifts for any proper purpose and apply the same to the purpose designated. In that behalf, the board may act as trustee of any trust created for the benefit of the district, or for the benefit of pupils thereof, including trusts created to provide pupils of the district with advanced education after completion of high school, in the advancement of education.”; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 465.03 provides: “Any city, county, school district or town may accept a grant or devise of real or personal property and maintain such property for the benefit of its citizens in accordance with the terms prescribed by the donor. Nothing herein shall authorize such acceptance or use for religious or sectarian purposes. Every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full.”; and

WHEREAS, every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of Big Lake Schools, ISD 727, gratefully accepts the following donations as identified below:

Donor	Item	Designated Purpose (if any)
Cornerstone Auto Group	School supplies	Students in need at Liberty
Mary of the Visitation Catholic Church	School supplies, valued at \$500.00	Students in need at Liberty
Debbie Manion	75 homemade masks valued at \$375.00	For students and staff at Liberty
Big Lake Gymnastics Parent Booster	\$811.60	Foam Pit foam
Big Lake Gymnastics Booster Club	\$5,000	New gymnastics floor
Big Lake Food Shelf	Hand sanitizer products valued at \$34,050	To help prevent the spread of COVID in our school community
Jane Shiota	3,100 handmade cloth masks	High school students
TK Medical	5,000 KN95 masks valued at \$15,000	High school students

The vote on adoption of the Resolution was as follows:

Aye:

Nay:

Absent:

Whereupon, said Resolution was declared duly adopted on September 24, 2020.

By: _____
Chair

By: _____
Clerk

COMPLIANCE ISSUES

- | | | |
|----|---|-------------------|
| 1) | Preliminary UFARS data loaded to MDE by September 15th, 2020 | In compliance |
| 2) | Revenue and Expenditure Budget published by earlier of one week after school board accepts final audit or November 30, 2020 | Not in compliance |
| 3) | Final UFARS data to MDE by November 30, 2020 | Not in compliance |
| 4) | The 2019/2020 audit (electronic copy) received at MDE by December 31st, 2020 | Not in compliance |
| 5) | Board members having received training in financial matters per statute | In compliance |

FISCAL HEALTH - INCOME STATEMENT PARAMETERS

- 1) Revenue/Expenditure Monitor - *Exp/Rev Summary - FD Report*

	REVENUE			<i>(Calculated)</i>	EXPENDITURES		
	Budget	Actual \$ YTD	Actual % YTD		Budget	Actual \$ YTD	Actual % YTD
General Fund (01,05,09,11 &12)	\$ 36,364,281	\$ 4,274,694	12%	\$ 37,519,840	\$ 2,095,471	6%	
Food Service (02)	\$ 1,655,850	\$ 80,491	5%	\$ 1,655,850	\$ 45,105	3%	
Community Service (04)	\$ 1,940,459	\$ 198,587	10%	\$ 2,173,632	\$ 276,662	13%	
Building Construction (06)	\$ 9,950	\$ 26,699	268%	\$ 6,881,788	\$ 2,443,336	36%	
Debt Service (07)	\$ 5,616,973	\$ 122,677	2%	\$ 5,807,280	\$ 749,611	13%	
OPEB Irrevocable Trust Fund (45)	\$ 45,000	\$ 52,887	118%	\$ 248,355	\$ 16,414	7%	
OPEB Bonds Debt Service Fund (47)	\$ -	\$ -	0%	\$ 100,573	\$ -	0%	

- 2) ADM Monitor - *Principals' monthly reporting*

	Original	Revision (1)	Revision (2)
Budgeted Seated ADM	3062		
Tuition ADM	58		
Budgeted ADM	3120		

NOTES

School Board Financial Report

September 24, 2020

Presented by Angie Manuel, CPA, Director of Business Services

Enrollment

- Day 1 enrollment: 2,984 Budgeted seated enrollment: 3,062
 - Enrollment = average daily membership
 - Adjustments for PSEO and part-time students
 - 15 less PSEO students than last year
 - 78 less than projected
 - Kindergarten: 223
- Reasons for Leaving:
 - Homeschool: 61
 - Other virtual academies: 24
 - Transfers to other traditional school districts and charter schools: 35
 - Moved: 100

2020-2021 Budget

Enrollment loss approximately \$700,000

Extra staffing and transportation costs from July 1st to December 30th are covered by CRF federal funds.

Expenditures being reviewed for cost savings

	Budgeted Fund Balance June 30,2020	Revenue Budget 20-21	Expenditure Budget 20-21	Projected Net Change Incr(Decr) in Fund Balance	Transfers	Budgeted Fund Balance June 30,2021
General:						
Restricted -						
Long Term Facilities Maintenance	\$ 91,252	\$ 452,080	\$ 346,564	\$ 105,516	\$ -	\$ 196,768
Operating Capital	\$ 433,958	\$ 745,099	\$ 1,054,830	\$ (309,731)	\$ -	\$ 124,227
Capital Projects Levy	\$ 130,315	\$ 519,531	\$ 538,392	\$ (18,861)	\$ -	\$ 111,454
Basic Skills Programs	\$ 58,866	\$ 612,168	\$ 669,068	\$ (56,900)	\$ -	\$ 1,966
Staff Development	\$ 94,975	\$ 447,554	\$ 434,525	\$ 13,029	\$ -	\$ 108,004
Third Party/Medical Assistance	\$ 206,629	\$ 100,000	\$ 170,354	\$ (70,354)	\$ -	\$ 136,275
Area Learning Center (ALC)	\$ 51,562	\$ 329,525	\$ 362,054	\$ (32,529)	\$ -	\$ 19,033
Committed for Severance	\$ 557,259	\$ -	\$ 107,420	\$ (107,420)	\$ -	\$ 449,839
Committed for Liberty Ball Field Pavilion	\$ 29,121	\$ -	\$ 29,121	\$ (29,121)	\$ -	\$ -
Assigned for Q Comp	\$ 136,313	\$ 801,115	\$ 808,860	\$ (7,745)	\$ -	\$ 128,568
Assigned for Athletics and Activities	\$ 163,049	\$ 1,005,171	\$ 1,006,286	\$ (1,115)	\$ -	\$ 161,934
Assigned for Student Activities	\$ 128,727	\$ 25,100	\$ 24,246	\$ 854	\$ -	\$ 129,581
Nonspendable for Prepaid Items	\$ 156,849	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 156,849
Unassigned	\$ 6,721,845	\$ 31,326,938	\$ 31,968,120	\$ (641,182)	\$ -	\$ 6,080,663
Subtotal	\$ 8,960,720	\$ 36,364,281	\$ 37,519,840	\$ (1,155,559)	\$ -	\$ 7,805,161
Food Service:						
Restricted	\$ 120,497	\$ 1,655,850	\$ 1,655,850	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 120,497
Nonspendable for Inventory	\$ 35,087	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,087
Subtotal	\$ 155,584	\$ 1,655,850	\$ 1,655,850	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 155,584
Community Service:						
Restricted -						
Community Education	\$ 207,492	\$ 1,329,222	\$ 1,500,663	\$ (171,441)	\$ -	\$ 36,051
ECFE	\$ 52,971	\$ 243,857	\$ 264,668	\$ (20,811)	\$ -	\$ 32,160
School Readiness	\$ (29,691)	\$ 351,485	\$ 392,406	\$ (40,921)	\$ -	\$ (70,612)
Preschool Screening	\$ 8,483	\$ 15,895	\$ 15,895	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,483
Subtotal	\$ 239,255	\$ 1,940,459	\$ 2,173,632	\$ (233,173)	\$ -	\$ 6,082
Building Construction Fund						
Restricted -						
Long-Term Facilities Maintenance	\$ 6,809,923	\$ 9,900	\$ 6,819,823	\$ (6,809,923)	\$ -	\$ -
Referendum Projects	\$ 61,915	\$ 50	\$ 61,965	\$ (61,915)	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ 6,871,838	\$ 9,950	\$ 6,881,788	\$ (6,871,838)	\$ -	\$ -
Debt Service - Restricted	\$ 1,789,416	\$ 5,516,400	\$ 5,807,280	\$ (290,880)	\$ 100,573	\$ 1,599,109
OPEB Irrevocable Trust Fund	\$ 1,531,692	\$ 45,000	\$ 248,355	\$ (203,355)	\$ -	\$ 1,328,337
OPEB Bonds Debt Service Fund	\$ 100,573	\$.10	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (100,573)	\$ -
Total	\$ 19,649,078	\$ 45,531,940	\$ 54,286,745	\$ (8,754,805)	\$ -	\$ 10,894,273

COVID Funding Update

- Federal Corona Relief Fund (CRF) Funds: \$766,686
 - Application has been approved. Budget pending review by MDE.
 - All funding requests had to be COVID related and not budgeted for in 20-21 budget
 - Extra costs: Chromebooks and iPads, software licensing agreements, transportation, Internet hot spots, PPE, Cleaning equipment, staff development, staffing costs
- Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) Funds: \$258,679
 - Application due May 2021. Spend CRF funds first. Have 2 years to spend.
- Sherburne County – Maximum amount \$75,000
 - Applied for \$85,000. May receive additional requested funds.
 - Support social emotional learning

Food Service Update

- USDA waiver allowing for continuation of free meals
 - USDA went public with announcement before state agencies notified
 - Notice given to school districts late Friday afternoon before Labor Day
 - Further guidance given to schools following week
 - Free meals effective Tuesday, Sept. 14th
 - Free meal program effective through end of October
- Application for Meal Benefits
 - Continue to apply!
 - Affects 21-22 compensatory funding
 - Benefits in place for when free program ends
- Wednesday Meal Deliveries
 - Big Lake Online students and secondary hybrid students

School Board Action

Approve financial report

CASH REPORT FOR SCHOOL BOARD
BIG LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Independent School District # 727
for month: August 2020

101 - CASH ACCOUNTS					
	Beg Balance	Receipts	Checks	Adjustments	End Balance
General Fund	1,607,608	5,261,295	(2,901,154)		\$3,967,749
Food Service	(\$515,198)	1,884	(45,240)		(\$558,554)
Community Service	(\$770,610)	131,680	(199,009)		(\$837,939)
Building Fund	\$0	-	-		\$0
Debt Service	\$210,299	-	(2,443,336)		(\$2,233,037)
Trust Fund	\$15,650	-	-		\$15,650
Student Activities	\$118,134	-	-		\$118,134
Parking Lot Construction (Fund 14)	\$0	-	-		\$0
Project fund- HVAC (Fund 15)	\$0	2,443,336	(2,443,738)		(\$402)
Custodial Fund (Fund 18)	\$1,471	14	-		\$1,485
OPEB Trust Fund	(\$109,534)	-	(16,373)		(\$125,907)
OPEB Debt Service Fund	(\$52,549)	-	-		(\$52,549)
TOTAL PER BOOKS	505,271	7,838,209.00	(\$8,048,850)	\$0	294,630
					General Checking Account
					\$294,630
					TOTAL PER BANK
					\$294,630

102 - PETTY CASH ACCOUNT					
	Beg Balance	Receipts	Checks	Adjustments	End Balance
General Fund	\$1,712	1,174	(\$886)	-	\$2,000
					Petty Cash Checking Account
					\$2,000
					TOTAL PER BANK
					\$2,000

104 - INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS					
	Beg Balance	Deposits	Withdrawals	Adjustments	End Balance
General Fund	(\$2,150,187)	\$5,621,598	(\$6,741,336)		(\$3,269,925)
General Fd Operating Investments	\$9,984,318	\$1,998,200	(\$800,000)		\$11,182,518
Food Service	\$749,318	\$36,735	\$0		\$786,053
Community Service	\$1,230,285	\$8,069	\$0		\$1,238,354
Debt Service	\$2,963,635	\$2,525,082	\$0		\$5,488,717
Facilities Investments 2017A	\$61,978	\$3	\$0		\$61,981
Facilities Investments 2019A (Fd 06)	\$468,969	\$26	\$0		\$468,995
Tax Abatement Invest. 2019A (Fd 14)	\$39,678	\$2	\$0		\$39,680
Facility Maintenance Invest. 2020A (F	\$452,500	\$2,443,336	(\$2,443,336)		\$452,500
Facility Maintenance Invest. 2020A (F	\$4,444,836	\$13,743	(\$2,443,336)		\$2,015,243
OPEB Trust Fund	\$1,315,047	\$6,801	(\$20)		\$1,321,828
OPEB Trust Equities	\$497,047	\$24,401	\$0		\$521,448
OPEB Debt Service	\$149,945	\$55	\$0		\$150,000
TOTAL PER BOOKS	\$20,207,369	\$12,678,051	(\$12,428,028)	\$0	\$20,457,392
					MN Trust
					\$4,392,797
					Operating Investments
					\$11,182,918
					Building Fund Investments
					\$3,038,401
					OPEB Trust
					\$1,843,276
					TOTAL PER BANK
					\$20,457,392

CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCE SUMMARY BY FUND					
	Beg Balance	Deposits	Withdrawals	Adjustments	End Balance
General Fund	\$9,443,451.00	12,882,267	(10,443,376)	-	\$11,882,342
Food Service	\$234,120	38,619	(45,240)	-	\$227,499
Community Service	\$459,675	139,749	(199,009)	-	\$400,415
Debt Service	\$3,626,434	\$4,968,418	(\$4,886,672)	-	\$3,708,180
Trust Fund	\$15,650	-	-	-	\$15,650
Student Activities	\$118,134	-	-	-	\$118,134
Parking Lot Construction (Fund 14)	\$39,678	2	\$0	-	\$39,680
Project Fund HVAC- Fund 15	\$4,444,836	\$2,457,079	(\$4,887,074)	-	\$2,014,841
Custodial Fund (Fund 18)	\$1,471	\$14	\$0	-	\$1,485
Bond Account Investments (fund 06)	\$530,947	\$29	\$0	-	\$530,976
OPEB Trust Fund	\$1,205,513	6,801	(16,393)	-	\$1,195,921
OPEB Trust Equities	\$497,047	24,401	-	-	\$521,448
OPEB Debt Service	\$97,396	55	-	-	\$97,451
TOTAL PER BOOKS	20,714,352	\$20,517,434	(\$20,477,764)	\$0	20,754,022
					Cash
					\$294,630
					Petty Cash
					\$2,000
					Investments
					\$20,457,392
					TOTAL PER BANK
					\$20,754,022

WIRE TRANSFER SUMMARY
Big Lake Public Schools
Independent School District #727
August 31, 2020

DATE	FROM	TO	AMOUNT	PURPOSE
8/3/2020	Old National-Checking	Heartland Pmt System	\$ 9.59	Nutri Kids Credit Card Fees
8/3/2020	Old National-Checking	BLEM	\$ 7,753.34	Teacher Unions Dues
8/5/2020	Old National-Checking	Further	\$ 3,700.25	Flex Claim Pymts
8/6/2020	Old National-Checking	Delta Dental	\$ 26,982.36	Dental Insurance
8/10/2020	Old National-Checking	Transfirst/TSYS	\$ 54.30	Affinity Credit Card fees
8/10/2020	Old National-Checking	Bankcard Service	\$ 1,250.00	ELEYO Credit Card Fees
8/12/2020	Old National-Checking	Neopost	\$ 201.00	DO Postage
8/12/2020	Old National-Checking	Further	\$ 721.02	Flex Claim Pymts
8/13/2020	Old National-Checking	CIGNA	\$ 9,372.13	Life & LTD Insurance
8/14/2020	MN Trust-PMA	Old National-Checking	\$ 1,000,000.00	Payroll and Payroll AP
8/18/2020	Old National-Checking	EBC	\$ 36,726.19	403b & 457 contributions
8/19/2020	Old National-Checking	Further	\$ 1,924.07	Flex Claim Pymts
8/19/2020	Old National-Checking	Further	\$ 20,632.86	H.S.A Contributions
8/24/2020	Old National-Checking	Further	\$ 371.25	Further Fee
8/25/2020	Retiree Accounts	Old National-Checking	\$ 10,935.62	Auto Transfers for COBRA/Retiree Ins
8/26/2020	Old National-Checking	Further	\$ 1,376.07	Flex Claim Pymts
8/26/2020	Old National-Checking	Old National-Petty Cash	\$ 1,173.64	Gen Fund Transfer to Petty Cash
8/27/2020	MN Trust-PMA	Old National-Checking	\$ 1,300,000.00	Payroll and Payroll AP
8/28/2020	MN Trust-PMA (LTFM)	Old National-Checking	\$ 2,443,335.97	Payroll and Payroll AP
8/31/2020	Old National-Checking	Bremer Bank	\$ 203.60	ACH Charge
8/31/2020	Old National-Checking	Neopost	\$ 100.00	DO Postage
8/31/2020	Old National-Checking	Old National Bank	\$ 27.95	Old National Service Charge



MEMO

TO: Big Lake School Board

FROM: Angie Manuel, Director of Business Services

DATE: September 18, 2020

SUBJECT: Pay 2021 Preliminary Levy Certification

The proposed 2020 pay 2021 preliminary levy certification will be brought to the School Board for consideration at Thursday's meeting. The School Board must certify the preliminary levy by Sept. 30th, 2020, and the property tax levy can go down, but not up, after Sept.30.

At the time of this writing, I am still waiting for the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) to make changes to the District's proposed levy. My preliminary review, based on the information I have at this time, is the levy increase will be between 2-3%. When more information is finalized next week, I will provide a summary of the levy components and review with the School Board at Thursday's meeting.

As is customary with prior years, my recommendation will be to approve the preliminary levy certification at "Maximum". Since changes are frequently made up until Sept. 30th by MDE, certifying the levy at "Maximum" allows for those changes to be included in the final preliminary levy included in the Truth in Taxation notices. Any proposed decreases in the final levy can be made by the School Board at the December regular meeting before the final levy certification is approved.

ISD #727 - Big Lake
Pay 2021 Preliminary Levy
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Revenue
September 24th, 2020 Regular School Board Meeting

	<u>Pay 2020</u>	<u>Preliminary Pay 2021</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>	
General Fund:				
Voter Approved Referendum	1,359,865	1,402,164	42,299	
Local Optional Revenue	1,506,027	1,631,095	125,068	
Equity	332,203	375,758	43,555	
Transition (Hold Harmless)	21,411	23,247	1,836	
Capital Project Referendum (Technology Levy)	519,531	563,770	44,239	
Operating Capital	160,522	172,382	11,860	
Alt Teacher Compensation (Q Comp)	254,948	265,363	10,415	
Reemployment	43,991	213,003	169,012	
Safe Schools	120,087	123,511	3,424	
Career Technical	87,261	95,687	8,426	
Annual OPEB Levy	78,358	-	(78,358)	
Long-term Facilities Maintenance Revenue (LTFM)	266,814	157,074	(109,740)	
Building/Land Lease	121,711	120,132	(1,579)	
Advance Abatement Adjustments	(5,996)	2,590	8,586	
Subtotal General Fund	<u>4,866,733</u>	<u>5,145,776</u>	<u>279,043</u>	
Community Service:				
Community Education	148,652	148,652	-	
Early Childhood Family Education	49,949	48,741	(1,208)	
Home Visiting	1,240	1,345	105	
Adults with Disabilities	4,350	4,350	-	
School Age Care Program	187,772	100,435	(87,337)	
Advance Abatement Adjustments	(463)	212	675	
Subtotal Community Service	<u>391,500</u>	<u>303,735</u>	<u>(87,765)</u>	
Debt Service:				
Debt Service Payments	5,151,920	5,265,633	113,713	
(School building mortgage payments)				
Reduction for Debt Excess	(241,945)	(305,219)	(63,274)	
LTFM for Debt Service (Def Main Bonds)	397,997	417,204	19,207	
Reduction for Debt Excess	(47,659)	(59,190)	(11,531)	
Advance Abatement Adjustments	(12,075)	1,084	13,159	
Subtotal Debt Service	<u>5,248,238</u>	<u>5,319,512</u>	<u>71,274</u>	
Total	10,506,471	10,769,023	262,552	2.50%

Recommend to approve preliminary levy at "Maximum"

Big Lake Online Updates

Dan Haley, K-5 Big Lake Online Coordinator, Technology Integrationist
Benjie Hamrin, 6-12 Big Lake Online Coordinator
David Bernard, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning

Enrollment



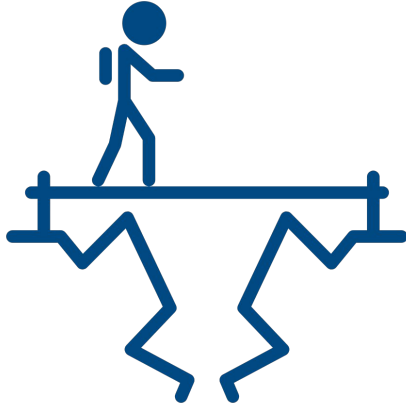
- K-5 Enrollment: 228
- 6-12 Enrollment: 301
- Total Enrollment: 529

Successes



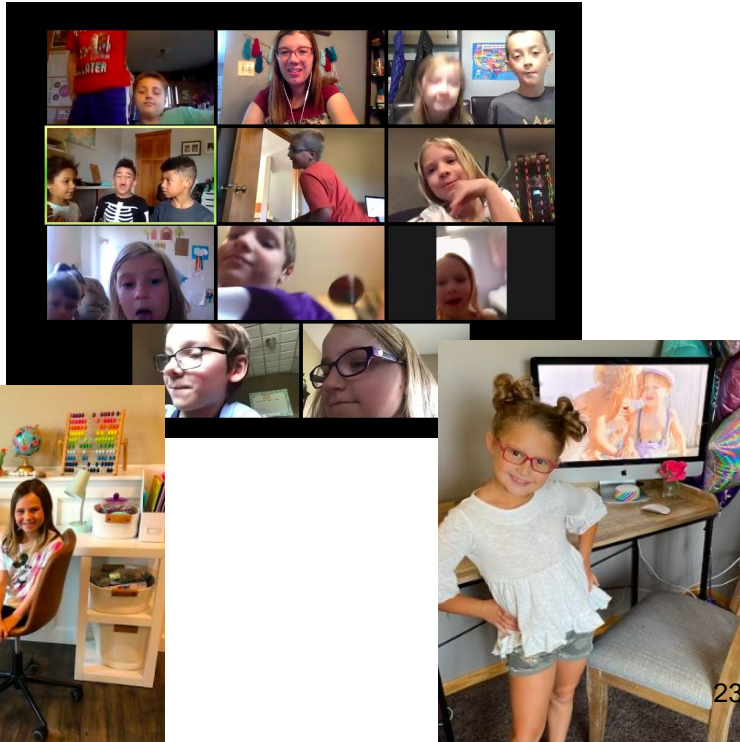
- Coordination, training, and support
- Teachers
- Platform, courses, and electives
- Devices
- Communication
- Responsiveness

Challenges



- New “school”
- New systems
- Expectations for K-5 parents
- Communications

K-5 Updates and Features



- Students and families are more comfortable with the platform
- Families are experiencing a tremendous amount of support from BLOnline teachers

K-5 Updates and Features



- Print materials are being provided for students
- Science kits are being assembled

One Student's View

From a BLHS Freshman:

She gives BL Online and Edgenuity two thumbs up so far. She is on target in all of her classes, and she has found a good balance of time she is spending on her courses each day. She is involved in volleyball at school, so she still has peer connections. She has also been utilizing her Big Lake teacher support system when she has questions or needs help and checks in via Zoom with Mrs. Meyer, her homeroom teacher, every week. At this point, she likes the program and plans on sticking with it all year.

6-12 Updates and Features

- Expanded course offerings for both Big Lake Online and BLHS students
 - Increased number of world language courses
 - Increased number of AP courses
- Approximately 220 BLHS students are taking courses on Edgenuity
- ACT and MCA Prep (non-credit options)

BLMS Electives



- General Music
- Studio Art
- Spanish
- Physical Education/Health

Streamline Communications



The screenshot shows the Big Lake Schools website. At the top is a dark blue navigation bar with white text for "ABOUT", "ACADEMICS", "PARENTS & STUDENTS", "COMMUNITY", "ACTIVITIES", "SCHOOLS" (highlighted with a white border), and "CALENDARS". A search icon is on the right. Below this is a yellow banner with the Big Lake Schools logo on the left and "District Home" and "Community Education +", "Translate", and "Users" on the right. The main content area has a blue hexagonal pattern background. A white box contains the following text:

Welcome to Big Lake Online

Welcome to Big Lake Online! Big Lake Online provides exceptional learning opportunities for those that choose not to attend in-person learning. Our program provides individualized student support aimed to create passionate, engaged students who are ready to take on real world experiences. From kindergarten to senior year, our students receive a challenging curriculum from STEM to advanced placement classes.

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The screenshot also includes a Facebook post for Big Lake Schools. The post header shows the profile picture, name "Big Lake Schools", and "3,218 likes". The main content of the post features a graphic with the text "WORLD'S BEST" and "WAY" in large letters, surrounded by icons for "Respect", "Responsibility", and "Integrity". Below the graphic are "Like Page" and "Share" buttons. The post text says "Be the first of your friends to like this". The image in the post shows a laptop screen with a poll question: "Would you rather... Have a movie theatre in your house? OR Have a roller coaster in your house?". A red circle with a white exclamation mark is overlaid on the bottom right of the screenshot.

Program Evaluation



- Survey families and students
- Conduct focus groups for staff, students, and families
- Monitor online engagement and course completion