

Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 7:00 PM

Bethel Middle School, Library Media Center, 600 Whittlesey Drive, Bethel, CT 06801

1. Call to Order

Speaker(s): Policy
9326

1.A. Roll Call for Quorum

1.B. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Governor's Plan to Eliminate Statewide School Mask Mandate

3. Public Comment

Speaker(s): Policy
9326

(Please note: The Board welcomes Public Comment and asks that speakers please limit their comments to 2 minutes. Speakers may offer objective comments of school operations and programs that concern them. The Board will not permit any expression of personal complaints or defamatory comments about Board of Education personnel and students, nor against any person connected with the Bethel Public School System.)

4. Board Recognition/A Salute to Excellence

4.A. Gifts, Grants, & Bequests

4.A.1. Gifts, Grants, & Bequests

5. Consent Calendar

Speaker(s): Policy
9326

5.A. Approval of Minutes

5.A.1. December 16, 2021 - Annual Meeting

5.A.2. January 20, 2022 - Superintendent's 2022-2023 Budget Presentation

5.A.3. January 25, 2022 - Budget Workshop - Schools/Athletics

5.A.4. January 27, 2022 - Budget Workshop - IT, Curriculum, SPED

5.A.5. February 1, 2022 - Budget Workshop - Facilities

5.A.6. February 3, 2022 - Budget Workshop/Approval

6. Correspondence

Speaker(s): Policy
9326

7. Administrative/Board Member Update

Speaker(s): Policy
9326

7.A. Board Chairperson Update

7.B. Administrative Update

7.B.1. 2021-2022 BOE District Data Sheet

8. Action Items

8.A. 2022-2023 School Calendar - Approval

8.B. 2023-2024 School Calendar - Acceptance

9. Reports to the Board

9.A. Curriculum, Assessment, & Professional Practices

9.A.1. Music Curricula

9.A.2. Gifted Identification Process

9.B. Policy

Speaker (s) : Policy
9310, 9311, 9313

9.B.1. First Reading

9.B.1.a. Policy 1416 - Fiscal Authorities

Speaker (s) : Christine
Carver

9.B.1.b. Policy 1700 - Otherwise Lawful Possession
of Firearms on School Property

9.B.1.c. Policy 2000 - Concept and Roles in
Administration

9.B.1.d. Policy 2011 - Equal Employment
Opportunity

9.B.1.e. Policy 2112 - Professional Learning

9.B.1.f. Policy 2013 - Grievance Procedures -
Title IX

9.B.2. Second Reading/Approval

9.B.2.a. Policy/Regulation 2232 - Electronic Records
and Information

9.B.2.b. Policy 5141.231 - Chemical Health Policy for Student-
Athletes

9.C. Resource Management & Business Operations

9.C.1. Personnel

Speaker (s) : Policy
9326

9.C.1.a. Job Description - 1.08 - Director of
Fiscal Services

9.C.2. Finance

9.C.2.a. Review of Bids for Transportation Services

9.C.2.b. Budget Transfers

9.C.2.c. Update on Current Year Budget

9.C.3. Facilities

Speaker (s) : Policy
3132

9.C.3.a. ROCKWELL/JOHNSON SCHOOL RENOVATION
PROJECTS INFORMATION/UPDATE

10. Adjourn

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Governor Lamont Announces Plan To Eliminate Statewide School Mask Requirement, Allow These Decisions To Be Determined at the Local Level

Press Releases



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

GOVERNOR NED LAMONT

02/07/2022

Governor Lamont Announces Plan To Eliminate Statewide School Mask Requirement, Allow These Decisions To Be Determined at the Local Level

Governor Lamont announcement on statewide school mas...



(HARTFORD, CT) – Governor Ned Lamont today announced that he is endorsing a plan developed in consultation with Connecticut Department of Public Health Commissioner Dr. Manisha Juthani and Connecticut State Department of Education Commissioner Charlene Russell-Tucker to eliminate the statewide requirement that is in effect as part of Connecticut’s COVID-19 safety protocols for masks to be worn in all schools and childcare centers effective Monday, February 28, 2022, and on that date allow the determination on whether to require masks in these locations to be made at the local level.

The plan is contingent upon the Connecticut General Assembly voting to extend – through legislation – the governor’s existing executive order that enables the public health commissioner with the ability of implementing mask requirements in certain settings.

Governor Lamont’s COVID-19 emergency declaration and related authority to issue executive orders in response to the pandemic are set to expire on February 15, 2022. On that date, the governor will no longer be able to enact emergency orders on the pandemic. The governor and legislative leaders recently reached an agreement under which the legislature will pass a resolution continuing the public

health and civil preparedness emergencies and determine which of the governor's orders to continue through legislation and which to let expire. The governor recently provided legislators with a list of 11 orders he recommends continue after February 15, 2022.

"Connecticut is seeing a dramatic decline in cases caused by the Omicron variant, and children over the age of 5 have had the ability to get vaccinated for more than three months now," **Governor Lamont said**. "With this in mind, I think we are in a good position to phase out the requirement that masks be worn in all schools statewide and shift the determination on whether to require this to the local level."

While Governor Lamont endorses the plan to eliminate the universal mask requirement for schools and childcare centers, he recommends that it remain in place in other settings where it currently is in effect, including healthcare facilities, facilities housing vulnerable populations, public and private transit, and correctional facilities.

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Facebook: [Office of Governor Ned Lamont \(https://www.facebook.com/GovNedLamont\)](https://www.facebook.com/GovNedLamont)

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CENTRAL OFFICE

Bethel Public Schools
Bethel, CT

Notification of Receipt of Gifts Received

Please send a copy of this form to the Superintendent's Office as soon as your school has received a donation of a gift. The receipt will be announced at the Board of Education regular meeting. Each school is responsible for sending the donor an acknowledgement for the gift.

Gift Received: \$1000.00

How the Gift will Be Used:

BHS Art Scholarship

Estimated Cash Value of the Gift:

\$1000.00

Donor's Name and Address

Ms. Anne Brecher
5 Ward Drive
Danbury CT 06810

(NOTE: No Goods or Services were provided by the Bethel Public Schools/Bethel Board of Education in exchange for your contribution.)

Receiving School: Bethel High School

Gift Received by (Print Name): Chris Troetti

Date Received: 12/23/2021

**Copy to: Donor
Principal
Superintendent**

**(Ref: Board Policy 3280)
Rev: 6/03**

Bethel Public Schools
Bethel, CT

Notification of Receipt of Gifts, Grants, and Bequests Received

Please send a copy of this form to the Superintendent's Office as soon as your school has received a gift, grant, or bequest. The receipt will be announced at the Board of Education regular meeting. Each school is responsible for sending the donor an acknowledgement for the gift.

Gift, Grant, or Bequest Received:

⑤ Donation of \$1,000

How the Gift, Grant, or Bequest will Be Used:

Help fund the activities & events for the children that the PTO provides.

Estimated Cash Value of the Gift, Grant, or Bequest:

\$1,000

Donor's Name and Address

Ingersoll Auto of Danbury (Chevrolet)
84 Federal Rd.
Danbury, Ct. 06810

(NOTE: No Goods or Services were provided by the Bethel Public Schools/Bethel Board of Education in exchange for your contribution.)

Receiving School:

FA Berry School PTO

Gift, Grant, or Bequest Received by (Print Name): Lindsay DaCosta & Berry PTO

Date Received: 12/6/21

Copy to: Donor
Principal
Superintendent

(Ref: Board Policy 3280)
Rev: 6/2017

Minutes of the Board of Education POLICY Committee Meeting held on Thursday, January 27, 2022, in Board of Education Conference Room E, 1 School Street, Bethel, CT 06801.

Attendance: None.

Administrative Attendance: C. Carver, K. Brooks

B. Foster, committee member, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Board Members Attendance:

<i>Mr. Scott Clayton:</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Kara DiBartolo:</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Mr. Bill Foster:	Present
Mrs. Jen Larsen, Alternate:	Present
<i>Mr. Daniel Nostin:</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Ms. Melanie O'Brien, Ex-Officio:	Present
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Present, arrived at 6:17 pm.

1. First Reading

1.A. Policy 1416 - Fiscal Authorities

Move Policy 1416 - Fiscal Authorities to the Board for a first reading as amended. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

1.B. Policy 1700 - Otherwise Lawful Possession of Firearms on School Property

Move Policy 1700 - Otherwise Lawful Possession of Firearms on School Property to the Board for a first reading as amended. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

1.C. Policy 2000 - Concept and Roles in Administration

Move Policy 2000 - Concept and Roles in Administration to the Board for a first reading as amended. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mr. Daniel Nostin.

Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea

Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

1.D. Policy 2011 - Equal Employment Opportunity

Move Policy 2011 - Equal Employment Opportunity to the Board for a first reading as amended. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

1.E. Policy 2012 - Professional Learning

Move Policy 2012 - Professional Learning to the Board for a first reading. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

1.F. Policy 2013 - Grievance Procedures - Title IX

Move to the Board with the recommendation to delete Policy 2013 - Grievance Procedures - Title IX. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

1.G. Regulation 2020 - Organization Chart

Move to table Regulation 2020 - Organization Chart. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

2. Second Reading

2.A. Policy/Regulation 2232 - Electronic Records and Information

Move Policy/Regulation 2232 - Electronic Records and Information to the Board for a second reading. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

2.B. Policy 5141.231 - Chemical Health Policy for Student-Athletes

Move Policy 5141.231 - Chemical Health Policy for Student-Athletes to the Board for a second reading. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

3. Policies for future review/discussion

It was the consensus of the committee to continue with the review of the 2000 series.

4. New Business

None.

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Adjourn

Move to adjourn at 6:49 PM. Passed with a motion by Mr. Bill Foster and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Pare
Board Recorder

Minutes of the Board of Education Curriculum, Assessment & Professional Practices Committee Meeting held on Thursday, February 3, 2022, in Board of Education Conference Room E, 1 School Street, Bethel, CT 06801.

Attendance: None.

Administrative Attendance: C. Carver, K. Brooks, M. Rutledge

J. Ackerman, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM.

Board Members Attendance:

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman: Present
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Present
Mrs. Courtney Martin: Absent
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer: Present
Ms. Melanie O'Brien, Ex. Officio: Present, arrived 6:20 PM

1. Music Curricula

Motion to bring the Ensembles curricula and Adaptive music curricula to the full Board for approval. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien, Ex. Officio:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

2. Gifted Identification Process

Dr. Brooks gave an overview of the identification process. There are multiple methods to identify students. The process begins in grade 4 and at any time during a students' education, a teacher/administrator or parent can nominate a student for possible gifted identification. There is no formal gifted program. BPS teachers are required to offer an advanced-level curriculum for students' needs.

No motion, informational only.

3. New Business

None.

4. Public Comment

None.

5. Adjourn

Move to adjourn at 6:56 PM. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman and a second by Ms. Melanie O'Brien.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman: Yea

Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea

Ms. Melanie O'Brien, Ex. Officio: Yea

Mrs. Cathy Schaefer: Yea

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Pare
Board Recorder

Minutes of the Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting held on Thursday, December 16, 2021, in Board of Education Conference Room E, 1 School Street, Bethel, CT.

Attendance: None.

Administrative Attendance: C. Carver, K. Brooks, T. Yonsky

M. O'Brien, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Attendance:

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman: Present
Mr. Scott Clayton: Present
Kara DiBartolo: Present
Mr. Bill Foster: Present
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Present
Mrs. Courtney Martin: *Absent*
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Present
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Present
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer: Present

1. Call to Order

1.A. Roll Call for Quorum

1.B. Pledge of Allegiance

2. December Projected Enrollment Presentation

Dr. Carver presented the first annual presentation on enrollment, class size, and impact on the 2022-2023 budget.

3. Selection of Temporary Chairperson

Move to nominate Dr. Christine Carver as temporary Chairman Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mr. Scott Clayton.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman: Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea
Kara DiBartolo: Yea
Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer: Yea

4. Annual Meeting

4.A. Election of Officers

4.A.1. Nominations for Chairman of the Board

Move to nominate Melanie O'Brien for Chairman of the Board of Education for 2022. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

4.A.2. Nominations for Vice Chairman of the Board

Move to nominate Jennifer Ackerman for Vice Chairman of the Board of Education for 2022. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mr. Scott Clayton.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

4.A.3. Nominations for Secretary of the Board

Move to nominate Jen Larsen for Secretary of the Board of Education for 2022. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

4.B. 2022 Board of Education Meeting Dates

Move to approve the 2022 Board of Education Meeting Dates. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mr. Scott Clayton.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

4.C. 2022 Proposed Standing Committees Assignments

Proposed 2022 standing committees will come to the Board at the meeting.

4.D. Code of Ethics

Move to the Code of Ethics to the next Board meeting for Board members signatures. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

5. Board Recognition/A Salute to Excellence

Athletics:

- The BHS Athletic Program has received the CIAC Class Act Award.
- Julia Herbert was named All-Conference and All-State Honors for swimming in the 200 and 400.
- Macie Metz for earning All SWC and All-State
- Corey Magro, Ava Grahm, Yee Ying Ng SWC Academic Team, First Team ALL SC and State Honor
- Andreas Shaboo SWC All-State and All-New England

5.A. Gifts, Grants, & Bequests

- **Connor Sheehan Fund Inc., \$7700, Connor Sheehan Fund Inc., Daniel Sheehan, President, Redding, CT.**

Dr. Carver informed the Board the district received 1 or 2 security grants the district applied for. Bethel Middle School and Berry School will receive the security grants. The district pays for 46% and the grant pays for 54%. Unexpended funds will be used to supplement the grant as planned.

6. Consent Calendar

6.A. Approval of Minutes

6.A.1. November 18, 2021

Move to approve the minutes of November 18, 2021. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Abstain
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Abstain
Kara DiBartolo:	Abstain
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Abstain
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Abstain
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

7. Correspondence

- Memo to the Board of Selectman from the Board of Education regarding the Annual capital Plan.

8. Public Comment

None.

9. Administrative/Board Member Update

9.A. Board Chairperson Update

Ms. O'Brien spoke to the Board, reflecting on the rise of violence on school campuses or threats of violence nationally. Spoke about the need to continue to work with community partners. Ms. O'Brien spoke about the education budget being at a pivotal point.

9.B. Administrative Update

Dr. Carver informed the Board she attended a workshop on "Lessons from Parkland" last week and debriefed today with Police and Town Officials, etc. Dr. Carve spoke about the current concerns for the general mental health of students.

9.B.1. 2021-2022 BOE District Data Sheet

Dr. Carver provided the Board with the monthly district data as requested by the BOE.

10. Reports to the Board

10.A. Curriculum, Assessment, & Professional Practices

10.A.1. Geometry Curriculum

10.A.2. Integrated Math IV Curriculum

Move to approve the Geometry and Integrated Math II curricula. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman and a second by Ms. Melanie O'Brien.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman: Yea

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea

Kara DiBartolo: Yea

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea

Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea

Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea

Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

Mrs. Cathy Schaefer: Yea

10.B. Policy

10.B.1. First Reading

10.B.1.a. Policy/Regulation 2232 - Electronic Records and Information

Move to accept Policy/Regulation 2232 - Electronic Records and Information for a first reading. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mr. Daniel Nostin.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman: Yea

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea

Kara DiBartolo: Yea

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea

Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea

Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea

Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

Mrs. Cathy Schaefer: Yea

10.B.1.b. Policy 5141.8 - Chemical Health Policy for Student-Athletes

Move to accept Policy 5141.8 - Chemical Health Policy for Student-Athletes first reading. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mr. Daniel Nostin.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

10.B.2. Second Reading/Approval

10.B.2.a. Policy/Regulation 1220 - Citizens Advisory Committee

Move to approve Policy/Regulation 1220 Citizens Advisory Committee. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mr. Daniel Nostin.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

10.B.2.b. Regulation 1221 - Citizens Advisory Committee for the BOE

No motion is needed as this is a regulation.

10.B.2.c. Policy 1331 - Smoking in School Facilities

Move to approve Policy 1331 - Smoking in School Facilities. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea

Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

10.B.2.d. Policy 1411 - Law Enforcement Agencies

Move to approve Policy/Regulation 1411 - Law Enforcement Agencies. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mr. Daniel Nostin.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

10.B.2.e. Policy/Regulation 4118.231 Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco-Free Workplace

Move to approve Policy and Regulation 4118.231 Drug, Alcohol and Tobacco-Free Workplace. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mr. Daniel Nostin.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

10.C. Resource Management & Business Operations

10.C.1. Facilities

10.C.1.a. ROCKWELL/JOHNSON SCHOOL RENOVATION PROJECTS INFORMATION/UPDATE

Dr. Carver informed the Board they are working hard to close the project. Landscaping can't be done until Spring and they are working on a contract to finish the landscaping in the spring so they can close out the project. The Town is in negotiations regarding requests for additional billed invoices. The projects may be about one million under budget when completed.

11. Recommended Executive Session

11.A. Connecticut General Statutes 210(b)24 - Discussion of any matter that would

result in the disclosure of confidential records or information excluded from FOIA's disclosure requirements under C.G.S 210(b)

Move into Executive Session at 8:46 PM. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mr. Scott Clayton.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

11.A.1. Contract Negotiations

Move to come out of Executive Session at 9:08 PM. Passed with a motion by Mr. Daniel Nostin and a second by Mr. Scott Clayton.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

12. Adjourn

Move to adjourn at 9:08 PM. Passed with a motion by Mr. Daniel Nostin and a second by Mr. Scott Clayton.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Pare
Board Recorder

\$518,883	Increase to Benefit Accounts:	Increase of 5.59%
\$23,382	Increase to Purchased Professional Services:	Increase of 2.23%
\$6,250	Increase to Purchased Property Services:	Increase of 2.55%
\$303,767	Increase to Other Purchased Services:	Increase of 7.07%
\$39,990	Increase to Supplies:	Increase of 4.49%
\$3,800	Increase to Equipment:	Increase of 1.22%
\$1,375	Increase to Dues & Fees:	Increase of 1.7%

Summary

Proposed Budget for 2022-2023: \$50,987,364

3.95% increase = \$1,937,277

Budget Workshop Dates

- Tuesday, January 25, 2022 (Budget Workshop) - Schools/Athletics
- Thursday, January 27, 2022 (Budget Workshop) - IT, Curriculum, SPED
- Tuesday, February 1, 2022 (Budget Workshop) - Facilities
- Thursday, February 3, 2022 (Budget Workshop/Approval)
- Tuesday, February 8, 2022 (Budget Workshop - Alt. Date if needed)

Dr. Carver's 2022-2023 proposed budget presentation can be viewed on BEtv @ <http://devos2.bethel.k12.ct.us/show?video=ac1df7b544fe&apg=4d17c1b509fc>

3. Public Comment

None.

4. Administrative/Board Member Update

4.A. Board Chairperson Update

Ms. O'Brien, Chair, asked Board members to review the budget and submit their budget questions via the BOE Q & A Budget document. Questions will be answered at the next workshop.

4.A.1. 2022 Proposed Standing Committees Assignments

Standing Committee Assignments 2022

POLICY

Chair: Scott Clayton

Vice-Chair: Dan Nostin

Bill Foster

Kara DiBartolo

Alternate - Jennifer Larsen

CURRICULUM, ASSESSMENT, AND PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES

Chair: Jennifer Ackerman
Vice-Chair: Jennifer Larsen
Courtney Martin
Cathy Schaefer
Alternate - Kara DiBartolo

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Chair: Bill Foster
Vice-Chair: Scott Clayton
Dan Nostin
Jennifer Larsen
Alternate - Courtney Martin

COMMUNITY OUTREACH, ALIGNMENT, AND COMMUNICATION

Chair: Courtney Martin
Vice-Chair: Cathy Schaefer
Jennifer Ackerman
Kara DiBartolo
Alternate - Scott Clayton

Move to approve the proposed Standing Committee assignments for 2022. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

4.A.2. Code of Ethics

The success of our school system depends on an effective working relationship between the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools. This code incorporates those standards and responsibilities most critical to productive Board and Superintendent relations. Board members present signed the Code of Ethics for 2022.

Move to the Code of Ethics to the next Board meeting for Board members signatures. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea

Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

4.B. Administrative Update

Dr. Carver informed the Board the projects are in the process of being closed out. The projects are about one million dollars under budget and they are working on getting the CO. Again, the landscaping plan will be separated from the plan so the remaining work can be done in the spring.

Dr Carver also spoke to the Board about the spike in COVID-19 cases due to the Omicron variant since Christmas. She is starting to see both staff and student attendance getting better. However, there were issues with bus driver attendance this week that impacted the district with some late/double bus runs.

Dr. Carver informed the Board the budget workshops would be held at the central office.

4.B.1. 2021-2022 BOE District Data Sheet

Dr. Carver provided the Board with the monthly district data.

5. Adjourn

Move to adjourn at 8:10 PM. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Pare
Board Recorder

Minutes of the Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting - Budget Workshop held on Tuesday, January 25, 2022, in Board of Education Conference Room E 1 School Street, Bethel, CT 06801.

Attendance: None.

Administrative Attendance: C. Carver, K. Brooks, T. Yonsky, B. Watson, A. Salerno, D. Burns, T. Soucy, C. Troetti

M. O'Brien, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Attendance:

<i>Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Present, arrived at 7:30 PM
Kara DiBartolo:	Present
Mr. Bill Foster:	Present
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Present
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Present
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Present
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Present
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Present

1. Call to Order

1.A. Roll Call for Quorum

1.B. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Budget Workshop (Schools/Athletics)

Mark Caron, Athletic Director, spoke to the Board about plans to revise the Bethel "B" logo to brand and partner with Park & Rec. and town sports organizations. Proposed having a contest to design the Bethel "B" logo. It was the consensus of the Board to move forward with the proposal and Mr. Caron will begin working with the different organizations to move forward.

Dr. Carver, Superintendent, Dr. Brooks, Assistant Superintendent, and Ms. Yonsky, Director for Fiscal Services, reviewed and answered questions on the budget that were submitted by Board of Education members regarding stipends, custodians, coaches & advisors, athletic training, reallocation of certified staff, BMS weight room, reallocation of SPED teacher, proposed SPED teacher, NVCC partnership for advance manufacturing college connections program, TASK/STEP programs coursework at EdAdvance, BHS software program, BHS athletics, ROTC, and music programs student participation, BMS intermural programs, instructional supplies, bi-lingual teacher requirements, 1% account, security grants, VoAg HS and magnet school tuition, Open Choice program, and transportation costs for the district.

The Board will review Board member questions and answers at the next budget workshop meeting on January 27, 2022.

3. Correspondence

None.

4. Public Comment

None.

5. Adjourn

Move to adjourn at 8:20 PM. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mrs. Courtney Martin.

Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Pare
Board Recorder

Minutes of the Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting - Budget Workshop held on Thursday, January 27, 2022, in Board of Education Conference Room E, 1 School Street, Bethel, CT 06801.

Attendance: None.

Administrative Attendance: C. Carver, K. Brooks, T. Yonsky, C. Sipala, L. DiBiase, D. Burns, M. Stabile, C. Troetti, D. Arre, M. Rutledge

M. O'Brien, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Attendance:

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman: Absent
Mr. Scott Clayton: Absent
Kara DiBartolo: Absent
Mr. Bill Foster: Present
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Present
Mrs. Courtney Martin: Present
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Present
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Present
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer: Present
Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman: Present, arrived 7:04 PM

1. Call to Order

- 1.A. Roll Call for Quorum**
- 1.B. Pledge of Allegiance**

2. Budget Workshop - (IT, Curriculum, SPED)

Dr. Carver, Superintendent, Dr. Brooks, Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Sipala, Dir. of SPED, and Ms. Yonsky, Director for Fiscal Services, reviewed and answered questions on the budget that were submitted by Board of Education members regarding SPED Supervisor position, (BCBA) Behavior Analyst, outside placement tuition, SPED tuition for RESCS, OT, PT, and SLP caseloads/needs, curriculum budget, professional learning needs, technology staffing, tech champs, historic SPED costs (current percent of the budget is 23%), excess costs, regional plans for local SPED program, tutors & tutor qualifications, ESL grants, students with disabilities, SPED caseloads, SEL coach, curriculum material needs and plans, transportation costs break down, training costs and Rights to Read Act, technology inventory & forecasting, and FTE overview. Dr. Carver informed the Board the insurance increase is budgeted at 6%. The State informed districts they should be budgeted at 8% based on the recent claims rate.

The Board will review Board member questions and answers at the next budget workshop meeting on February 1, 2022.

3. Correspondence

None.

4. Public Comment

(Please note: The Board welcomes Public Comment and asks that speakers please limit their comments to 2 minutes. Speakers may offer objective comments of school operations and programs that concern them. The Board will not permit any expression of personal complaints or defamatory comments about Board of Education personnel and students, nor against any person connected with the Bethel Public School System.)

Nick Ellis, 13 Fawn Road, asked about bus route costs for athletics.

5. Adjourn

Move to adjourn at 8:26 PM. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mrs. Courtney Martin.

Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Pare
Board Recorder

Minutes of the Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, February 1, 2022, in Board of Education Conference Room E, 1 School Street, Bethel, CT 06801.

Attendance: None.

Administrative Attendance: C. Carver, K. Brooks, T. Yonsky, B. Germinaro, C. Troetti, M. Rutledge, D. Burns

M. O'Brien, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Attendance:

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman: Present
Mr. Scott Clayton: Present
Kara DiBartolo: Present
Mr. Bill Foster: Absent
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Present
Mrs. Courtney Martin: Present
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Absent
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Present
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer: Present

Mr. Bill Foster: Present, arrived 7:03 PM

Mr. Daniel Nostin: Present, arrived 7:03 PM

1. Call to Order

1.A. Roll Call for Quorum

1.B. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Budget Workshop - (Facilities)

Dr. Carver, Superintendent, Dr. Brooks, Assistant Superintendent, Ms. Yonsky, Director for Fiscal Services, and Mr. Germinaro, Supervisor of Facility & Security Operations, reviewed and answered questions on the budget that were submitted by Board of Education members regarding bollards, HVAC maintenance service, lawn maintenance, Raptor visitor management system, BMS gym floor full repair and re-coat, BHS gym floor re-polyurethane, 460 account funding, COVID grants for ventilation work, custodial overtime for outside organizations/groups, BHS, BMS, and BS roofing leaks, and the water fountains which were changed to bottle refill stations. Also, Dr. Carver informed the Board the amount budgeted for athletic and club transportation for 2022-2023 is \$97,253.

Dr. Carver and Ms. Yonsky spoke to the Board about the health insurance increase now being 8% = \$162,467 = 4.82% increase to the overall budget. They spoke about the transportation bid. The base bid is 6.5% with increases of 3% each year over 5 years. The bids are being reviewed and a

recommendation will come to the Board at a future date.

The Board will review any remaining Board member questions and answers at the next budget workshop meeting on February 3, 2022. It is anticipated the Board will act on the budget at the next meeting on February 3, 2022. Tuesday, February 8, 2022, is an alternate budget workshop date if needed.

3. Correspondence

None.

4. Public Comment

None.

The Board discussed the need for an Executive Session for the purpose of CT General Statutes 1-200(6)(b) Matters concerning security strategy, or the deployment of security personnel, or devices affecting public security. Inviting in Mr. Troetti, Principal, Bethel High School, and Mr. Germinaro, Supervisor of Facility & Security Operations.

5. Executive Session

5. A. CT General Statutes 1-200(6)(b) Matters concerning security strategy, or the deployment of security personnel, or devices affecting public security

Move to enter into Executive Session at 8:01 for the purpose of CT General Statutes 1-200(6)(b) Matters concerning security strategy, or the deployment of security personnel, or devices affecting public security. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

Move to come out of Executive Session at 8:22 PM. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea

Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

5. Adjourn

Move to adjourn at 8:22 PM. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Courtney Martin and a second by Mr. Daniel Nostin.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman:	Yea
Mr. Scott Clayton:	Yea
Kara DiBartolo:	Yea
Mr. Bill Foster:	Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen:	Yea
Mrs. Courtney Martin:	Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin:	Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien:	Yea
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer:	Yea

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Pare
Board Recorder

Minutes of the Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting held on Thursday, February 3, 2022, in Board of Education Conference Room E
1 School Street, Bethel, CT 06801.

Attendance: None.

Administrative Attendance: C. Carver, K. Brooks, T. Yonsky, M. Rutledge, D. Burns, C. Sipala

M. O'Brien, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Attendance:

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman: Absent
Mr. Scott Clayton: Present
Kara DiBartolo: Present
Mr. Bill Foster: Present
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Present
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Present
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Present
Mrs. Cathy Schaefer: Present
Mrs. Courtney Martin: Present, arrived at 7:05 PM

1. Call to Order

- 1.A. Roll Call for Quorum
- 1.B. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Budget Workshop - (Budget workshop/Approval)

The Board discussed budget, transportation increase to the proposed budget, the bid process timeline, and health insurance increase.

Dr. Carver also informed the Board the legislature will hold a public hearing on masks in schools on February 10, 2022. Maybe at the end of the Mask Executive Order, or it may be extended a couple of weeks, or made only a recommendation. If that does happen, it would then be the parents' choice.

Move to put forward a Board of Education Budget 2022-2023 of 4.43% increase in the amount of \$51,224,831. Passed with a motion by Ms. Melanie O'Brien and a second by Mrs. Courtney Martin.

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea
Kara DiBartolo: Yea
Mr. Bill Foster: Yea
Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea
Mrs. Courtney Martin: Yea
Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea
Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

Mrs. Cathy Schaefer: Yea

Move to approve Facilities (460 account) budget for fiscal 2022-2023 at \$497,694.00. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Jen Larsen and a second by Mr. Bill Foster.

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea

Kara DiBartolo: Yea

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea

Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea

Mrs. Courtney Martin: Yea

Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea

Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

Mrs. Cathy Schaefer: Yea

3. Correspondence

None.

4. Public Comment

None.

5. Adjourn

Move to adjourn at 7:48 PM. Passed with a motion by Mr. Scott Clayton and a second by Mrs. Jen Larsen.

Mr. Scott Clayton: Yea

Kara DiBartolo: Yea

Mr. Bill Foster: Yea

Mrs. Jen Larsen: Yea

Mrs. Courtney Martin: Yea

Mr. Daniel Nostin: Yea

Ms. Melanie O'Brien: Yea

Mrs. Cathy Schaefer: Yea

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Pare

Board Recorder



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BETHEL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CENTRAL OFFICE

December 15, 2021

Dr. Christine Carver
Superintendent, Bethel Public Schools
1 School St., P.O. Box 253
Bethel, CT 06801-0253

Dear Dr. Carver:

As your regional educational service center, we are pleased to work with you, your staff, and students. On behalf of the staff of EdAdvance, I am pleased to send you a copy of your District Data Report for 2020-2021. This report will provide you with an overview of the programs and services we provided to your school district. As a courtesy, I have also sent a copy of our District Data to the chairperson of your Board of Education.

If you would like more information about other EdAdvance's programs and services, please feel free to contact me at (860) 567-0863. We look forward to continuing to provide quality programs and services to your district.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey C. Kitching, Ed.D.
Executive Director

Enclosure

cc: Board of Education Chairperson



How has EdAdvance served **BETHEL** in 2020-2021?

General Membership Resources:

- Customized access to services and programs that support your district goals.
- On-going information targeted to your district's individual needs.
- Capabilities to move forward local and regional programs.
- Quick resource to answer frequent staff questions.
- Links to major state and federal education activities.

Adult & Community Services

EdAdvance continues to deliver statewide **Adult Education Professional Development (ATDN)** for teachers in CT. Two participants from your district attended workshops and planned events.

EdAdvance hosted the **ParaPro Exam** for three paraprofessionals in your district to allow them to certify for employment.

Direct Services to Districts

Staff from your district attended meetings of EdAdvance's regional **Curriculum Council**. Discussion included issues related to curriculum, assessment, and instruction.

Staff from your district attended meetings of the **English Learners Council**.

Staff from your district attended meetings of EdAdvance's regional **Language Arts Council**. Participants discussed state literacy initiatives related to student achievement, teacher pedagogy, and upcoming professional opportunities for teachers.

Staff from your district attended meetings of EdAdvance's regional **Math Council** during the 2020-2021 school year. Participants shared information related to math instruction and received information on state initiatives including math curriculum, instruction, and assessment.

Personnel Services partnered with multiple districts in the region to provide a variety of certified and non-certified staff and consultants to support all students and their families. Your district received these services.

Staff from your district attended meetings of the **Science Council** in partnership with the Connecticut State Department of Education. Discussions included the model science curriculum, grade level expectations, and embedded task training.



Early Childhood Programs & Services

Danbury School Readiness provides quality early childhood education programs for children ages 3-4. Our programs are licensed, accredited, and prepare children for success in school. Quality Enhancement Funds provide for professional development opportunities for Early Childhood Education teachers, family childcare providers, caregivers, and parents of children ages 0-5 in the greater Danbury area. Six administrators, forty-one staff members, one hundred ninety-five children, and one hundred sixty families from your community received these services.

EdAdvance's **Early Childhood consultants** provided consultation to school districts, early childhood providers, and home visitors in the areas of infant mental health, child development, behavior management, curriculum, health, and classroom environments. Services were delivered through on-site coaching, mentoring, technical assistance, and professional development. Three early childhood administrators and twenty-seven staff members from your district received these services.

EdAdvance Birth to Three is a comprehensive early intervention program that provides developmental evaluations, autism evaluations, natural-environment general and autism-specific early intervention services, and family support for children with significant developmental delays. Twenty-six children from your community received these services.

Professional Development

Staff members from your district attended the Instructional Coaches Professional Network.

EdAdvance communicated awarded coaching days for the RESC Alliance Blended Learning Coaching Support with your district.

Staff members from your district attended TEAM District Facilitator meetings. Participants learned about state updates related to induction and shared best practices for supporting beginning teachers and their mentors.

Three staff members from your district attended a virtual TEAM Initial Support Teacher Training.

Six staff members from your district attended a TEAM Review of Practice (ROP) Introduction Training. This is a one-hour introduction to TEAM ROP.

Fifteen educators from your district attended a virtual TEAM Review of Practice (ROP) Mentor Training.

EdAdvance staff delivered TEAM Review of Practice (ROP) Orientation to staff members.

Staff members from your district attended a TEAM Review of Practice (ROP) support session.



Staff members from your district received professional learning on TEAM ROP and using the TEAM Dashboard.

Student Programs

The **ACCESS Program (9-12)** at WorkSpaceCT is a special education outplacement program based on an approach to teaching and learning that relies upon a Coordinated Services Model. Each student is assigned to a team of teachers who works specifically with and for them to build stronger foundational skills, foster independence, identify aptitudes, and prepare them for life. As students progress through the program, they are expected to become independent learners who can advocate for themselves and others. One student from your district attended this program.

B’nai Israel School is an annual fee for service contract to provide leadership direction for a supplemental religious school program. Work includes general administrative and curricular oversight; teacher hiring and supervision; student registration; and direct on-site support for this K-9 program. One student from your district attended this program.

The **Regional Healthcare Shadowing Program** offers high school students the opportunity to participate in healthcare shadowing opportunities designed to explore medical career choices and to learn and start to develop the skills necessary to succeed in the healthcare industry of the 21st century workplace. We have an online program as well with virtual meetings and online assignments. Sixteen students and two staff members from your district attended this program.

Student Services

Our **Transportation Services** specializes in safe, reliable, and cost-effective transportation for special needs students. In addition to our skilled drivers, specially trained aides accompany students as indicated to ensure their individual needs are met on their way to and from school. Seven special needs students from your district received these services.



NEWS RELEASE



For Immediate Release
February 9, 2022

Bethel School Community Calls on Town to Pass Budget That Supports Students, Public Education

Share message that strong school funding is essential

The Bethel School Community is calling on town officials to pass the Board of Education's proposed budget to ensure that Bethel schools have the resources needed to maintain an excellent public school system in light of a devastating pandemic and increasing student enrollment.

Members of the Board of Education Essential Worker Coalition, which includes teachers, custodians, secretaries, paraeducators, and food service personnel in Bethel, are standing together to show their support for funding Bethel schools. Wearing Red for Ed, coalition members will be joined by parents, students, and other community members at the Superintendent's budget presentation to the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance on Thursday, February 10, 2022, at 7 p.m., at the Senior Center in the Bethel Municipal Building.

"Education in Bethel is at a critical point, and school resources are sorely needed to ensure our students receive the high-quality education they deserve and that their parents have come to expect," said Al Robinson, president of the Bethel Education Association. "Being an essential worker during the pandemic has been a struggle for all of us – teachers, paraeducators, custodians, food service workers, and secretaries. Anyone who works in our public schools knows the struggles that our students are facing as we try to bring a sense of normalcy to their lives during a time that is anything but normal. We also know what it means to be essential workers, on the front lines of a pandemic, and the challenges we and our families have faced over the past two years. And we know that any further cuts to this budget will have a very real impact on students and programs throughout the district."

The Board of Education's proposed 4.43% budget increase reflects the bare minimum that is needed to maintain the current level of support for Bethel students. The small budget increase supports the town's growing special needs population and recognizes that Bethel, unlike many surrounding communities, is seeing increased student enrollment.

"Paraeducators work with the most vulnerable student population; we have seen the impact the last two years have had on our students' academic achievement and social and emotional health," said Susan DeCarlo, co-president of Bethel BOE Paraeducators. "Now, more than ever, Bethel students need adequate resources to help them reach their greatest potential. During these unprecedented times the children of Bethel are counting on us to support them and on the town to pass this budget."

The proposed budget addresses the impact and recovery efforts of the COVID-19 pandemic while continuing to make progress toward district goals to provide educational excellence for students.

“Bethel students deserve to continue receiving the excellent educational experience provided to them by the essential workers of the Bethel Board of Education and to maintain the same level of resources currently made available to them,” said Matt Geer, UPSEU regional director. “Any reduction to the Superintendent’s proposed budget degrades that educational experience. Cuts would be unconscionable in normal times but would be even more egregious when considering that our students have already had their lives upended these past two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic. They have missed out on in-class learning, social interaction among peers, athletic events, and countless other activities that have been taken for granted over the years. Our students deserve the resources necessary to succeed. They are counting on you!”

“Education is an investment in our future,” said Bill Petruno, Teamsters Local 677 President. “Research on education spending consistently shows better outcomes for students, including higher test scores, higher graduation rates, and even higher wages as adults. COVID-19 has presented increased challenges for all of us, and our essential workers rose to the challenge to provide a safe, clean, and productive environment for our students. Our schools need funding to continue to have services necessary to provide safe, healthy classrooms for Bethel students.”

The Board of Education Essential Worker Coalition represents union members of the Bethel Education Association, Teamsters, UPSEU, and AFSCME, representing district teachers, custodians, secretaries, paraeducators, and food service personnel who are committed to ensuring that education in Bethel is and remains a priority.

Bethel budget documents can be found on the town’s website, under the financial dashboard section. <https://sites.google.com/bethel.k12.ct.us/bpsstrategicplan/financial-dashboard?authuser=1>

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Governor Lamont Announces Plan To Eliminate Statewide School Mask Requirement, Allow These Decisions To Be Determined at the Local Level

Press Releases



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

GOVERNOR NED LAMONT

02/07/2022

Governor Lamont Announces Plan To Eliminate Statewide School Mask Requirement, Allow These Decisions To Be Determined at the Local Level

Governor Lamont announcement on statewide school mas...



(HARTFORD, CT) – Governor Ned Lamont today announced that he is endorsing a plan developed in consultation with Connecticut Department of Public Health Commissioner Dr. Manisha Juthani and Connecticut State Department of Education Commissioner Charlene Russell-Tucker to eliminate the statewide requirement that is in effect as part of Connecticut’s COVID-19 safety protocols for masks to be worn in all schools and childcare centers effective Monday, February 28, 2022, and on that date allow the determination on whether to require masks in these locations to be made at the local level.

The plan is contingent upon the Connecticut General Assembly voting to extend – through legislation – the governor’s existing executive order that enables the public health commissioner with the ability of implementing mask requirements in certain settings.

Governor Lamont’s COVID-19 emergency declaration and related authority to issue executive orders in response to the pandemic are set to expire on February 15, 2022. On that date, the governor will no longer be able to enact emergency orders on the pandemic. The governor and legislative leaders recently reached an agreement under which the legislature will pass a resolution continuing the public

health and civil preparedness emergencies and determine which of the governor's orders to continue through legislation and which to let expire. The governor recently provided legislators with a list of 11 orders he recommends continue after February 15, 2022.

"Connecticut is seeing a dramatic decline in cases caused by the Omicron variant, and children over the age of 5 have had the ability to get vaccinated for more than three months now," **Governor Lamont said**. "With this in mind, I think we are in a good position to phase out the requirement that masks be worn in all schools statewide and shift the determination on whether to require this to the local level."

While Governor Lamont endorses the plan to eliminate the universal mask requirement for schools and childcare centers, he recommends that it remain in place in other settings where it currently is in effect, including healthcare facilities, facilities housing vulnerable populations, public and private transit, and correctional facilities.

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Facebook: [Office of Governor Ned Lamont \(https://www.facebook.com/GovNedLamont\)](https://www.facebook.com/GovNedLamont)



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

going forward

2 messages

Jenn Lawlor <lawlorfam25@gmail.com>
To: "Carver, Christine" <carverc@bethel.k12.ct.us>
Cc: boe@bethel.k12.ct.us

Mon, Jan 31, 2022 at 9:55 AM

Hi there-hoping you are well especially as you enter budget season with our new Board of Finance. I am writing to share something initiated by a local school district that I was glad to read(attached) & am hoping that you will be sending something similar to the Governor for our children/families here. Long ago (sadly it's been 7 months since that email) you shared that you support decisions on masks being left to parental discretion if there is no mandate in place...being that we are in a place where many have been discussing school mandates being discontinued, especially in areas with low rate of infection and transmission, please speak up and make families feel heard while helping to show kids/teens that a daily "normal" can be restored. Kids/teens are not okay & the presumption of resilience because they're children ended about 4 months into these past 2 years of upheaval 🤔 You may have seen these already but I am also including some recent perspective on the pandemic and trauma.

Kindly,
Jenn Lawlor

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Cc: boe@bethel.k12.ct.us

Mon, Jan 31, 2022 at 12:32 PM

Hi Jen,

Thank you for the email. I will share it with the BOE. I was not aware of the letter.

Christine Carver, Ed. D.
Superintendent of Schools
Bethel Public Schools
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January 27, 2022

Dear: Governor Ned Lamont, State of Connecticut
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Dr. Matt Carter, Epidemiologist, CT Department of Public Health

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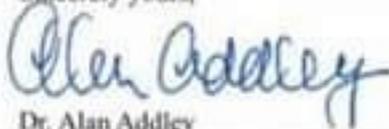
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Sincerely yours,



Mr. David Dineen

Sincerely yours,



Dr. Alan Addley



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

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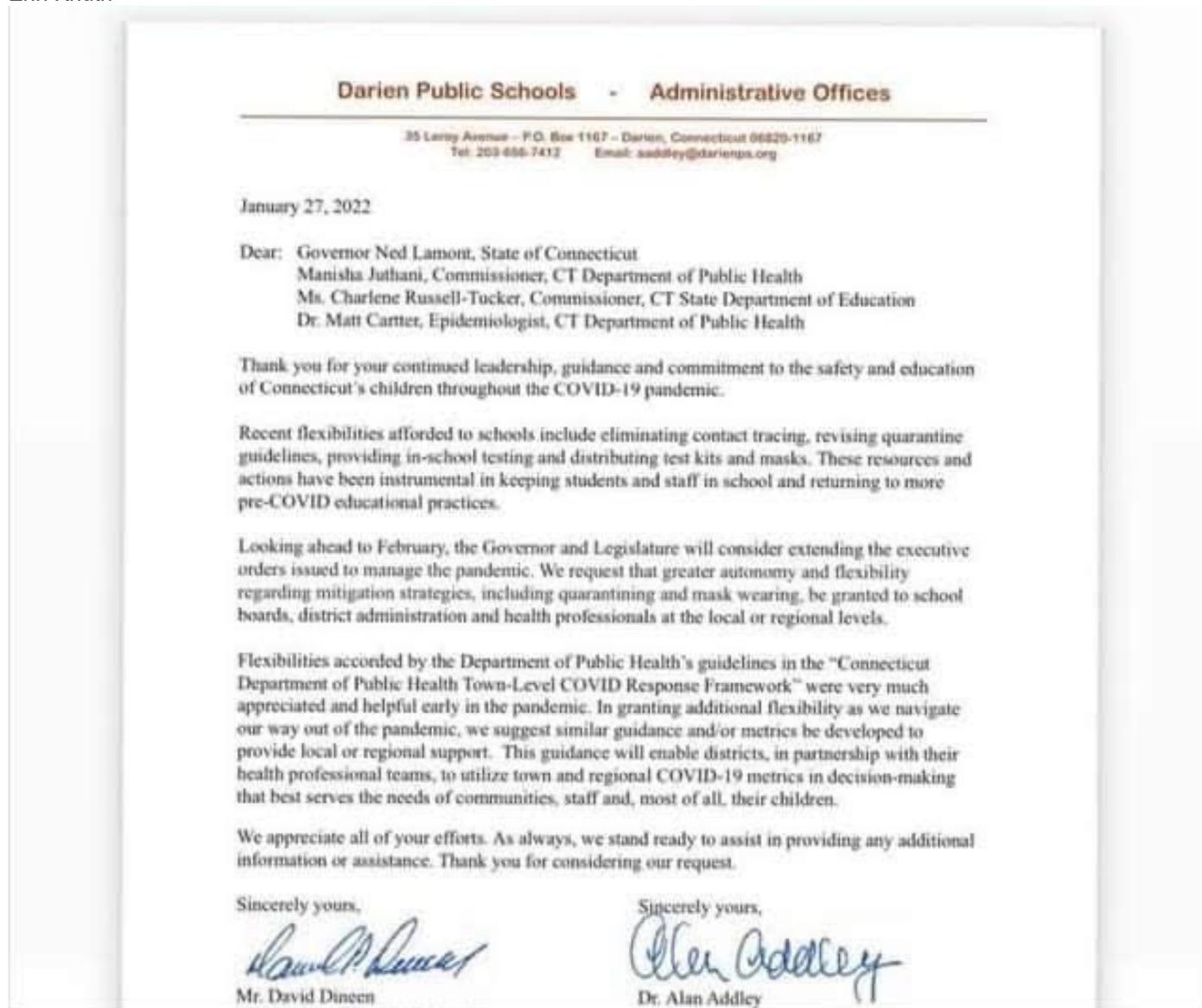
2 messages

Erin Barchi <edubbs11@yahoo.com>

Wed, Feb 2, 2022 at 6:49 AM

To: Christine Carver <carverc@bethel.k12.ct.us>, "boe@bethel.k12.ct.us" <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Hello , hope all is well. I am Writing to share an email initiated by Darien Public schools in hopes Bethel will follow suit. These past 2 years have extremely hard on everyone , but extremely harder on the kids. While we all have gone back to "normal" our kids have not. While we can go sit at restaurants maskless with friends our kids are still forced to be masked in school. For the past 2 years Americans have accepted more harm on children in exchange For less harm to adults. As sad as that makes me it makes me even more sad seeing the polar opposite around the country and world in the reality of childrens school life compared to Connecticut children. Connecticut is the last of 13 states left that still requires masking children. The other states have resumed normal school life WITHOUT incident. In fact states that required masking were surging. It begs the question are we doing more harm than good? I believe So. Kids have suffered enough it's time for them to get back to the normal life they need and deserve. I hope you and the district will advocate along side with parents to restore parent choice. Thank you for your time
Erin Khuth



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Sincerely yours,
[Signature]
Mr. David Dineen

Sincerely yours,
[Signature]
Dr. Alan Addley

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Carver, Christine <carverc@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Wed, Feb 2, 2022 at 6:52 AM

To: Erin Barchi <edubbs11@yahoo.com>, ~BOEmembers <boemembers@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Cc: "boe@bethel.k12.ct.us" <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Good Morning Erin,

Thank you for your email. I will make sure that the BOE receives it.

Christine Carver, Ed. D.
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Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

question on budget

1 message

jane gangi <janegangi@snet.net>

Thu, Feb 3, 2022 at 10:13 AM

To: Christine Carver <carverc@bethel.k12.ct.us>, Kristen Brooks <brooksk@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Cc: "boe@bethel.k12.ct.us" <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>, Matt Knickerbocker <knickerbockerm@bethel-ct.gov>

Good Morning,

I didn't write during the pandemic any more bad news about the Common Core (and there is plenty) because I felt like you had enough to deal with. From all I've heard from my neighbors who have children in the Bethel schools, you have dealt with the pandemic quite well.

My question: How much of the budget includes anything to do with Common Core? As I am sure you know, under Common Core during the past twelve years, U. S. children continue to slide downwards on every international and national measure, harming children of color and the poor the most.

Thank you for your time,

Jane M. Gangi, PhD



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Bethels Plans

1 message

C Lora <cclora0806@yahoo.com>

Mon, Feb 7, 2022 at 5:28 PM

To: carverc@bethel.k12.ct.us, boe@bethel.k12.ct.us, mknicker@gmail.com

Good Evening,

Hope this email finds you all well!

Attached is an email sent by Dr. Carver in the beginning of the school stating her recommendation for parental choice. Given the Governors news today I hope that her recommendation still stands.

Look forward to hearing back from you.

Thank you

Constantina

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Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Fw: Let's bring smiles back!

1 message

Jennifer Hantzarides <jhantzarides@yahoo.com>

Tue, Feb 8, 2022 at 8:52 AM

To: boe@bethel.k12.ct.us, VasileL@bethel-ct.gov, davenportl@bethel.k12.ct.us

Good morning,

Please see email below as it appears the decision has been handed over to the local Board of Ed and health departments. Do what's right for the kids. Enough is enough and this is done. We won't stop fighting until our kids have their smiles back!

I invite you to take a look at the photos below to see what's been robbed of kids these last two years. Additionally, if you take a walk through the schools, no one is wearing these masks correctly. This further solidifies the fact that the masks don't work. Bringing back healthy eating habits and healthy personal hygiene is the lesson that can be learned from this- which is what truly stops the spread.

Regards,
Jen Hantzarides

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

On Thursday, February 3, 2022, 7:38 AM, Jennifer Hantzarides <jhantzarides@yahoo.com> wrote:

Good Morning Dr. Carver!

Let me start by saying hello and hoping you are well and staying warm during these last few days of cold weather! I think I can speak for everyone when I say that January felt longer than the entire year of 2020!

I want to also commend you for always being so supportive of the students. Keeping them in school, with in person learning is of the utmost importance and I am so happy for that.

I don't want you to ever think I am attacking you or coming at you with aggression. I have tremendous respect for you and your decisions. I only am coming to you with concerns after something really hit me in my core yesterday. To be honest, I saw the picture of the students in Rockwell wearing their Groundhog Day hats and it resonated with me that these kids appear lifeless. This is their first year of school and it has been anything but normal. [REDACTED] grade-has NEVER had a normal year of school. [REDACTED] started out Kindergarten thriving. Then it was all taken [REDACTED] after only a few short months of school. [REDACTED] grade-has never mingled or met half of [REDACTED] grade that came over from Berry. [REDACTED] moving onto Middle School (WHAT?!) and the other day [REDACTED] asked me "Will I ever meet the kids that came from Berry?" I never even realized [REDACTED] never had a proper moving up ceremony at the same time [REDACTED] [REDACTED] never had a full and normal school year.

I went back in your photos to 2 years ago pretty much to the day. The difference in Kindergartners then and now is astounding. The kids yesterday look lifeless, devoid of

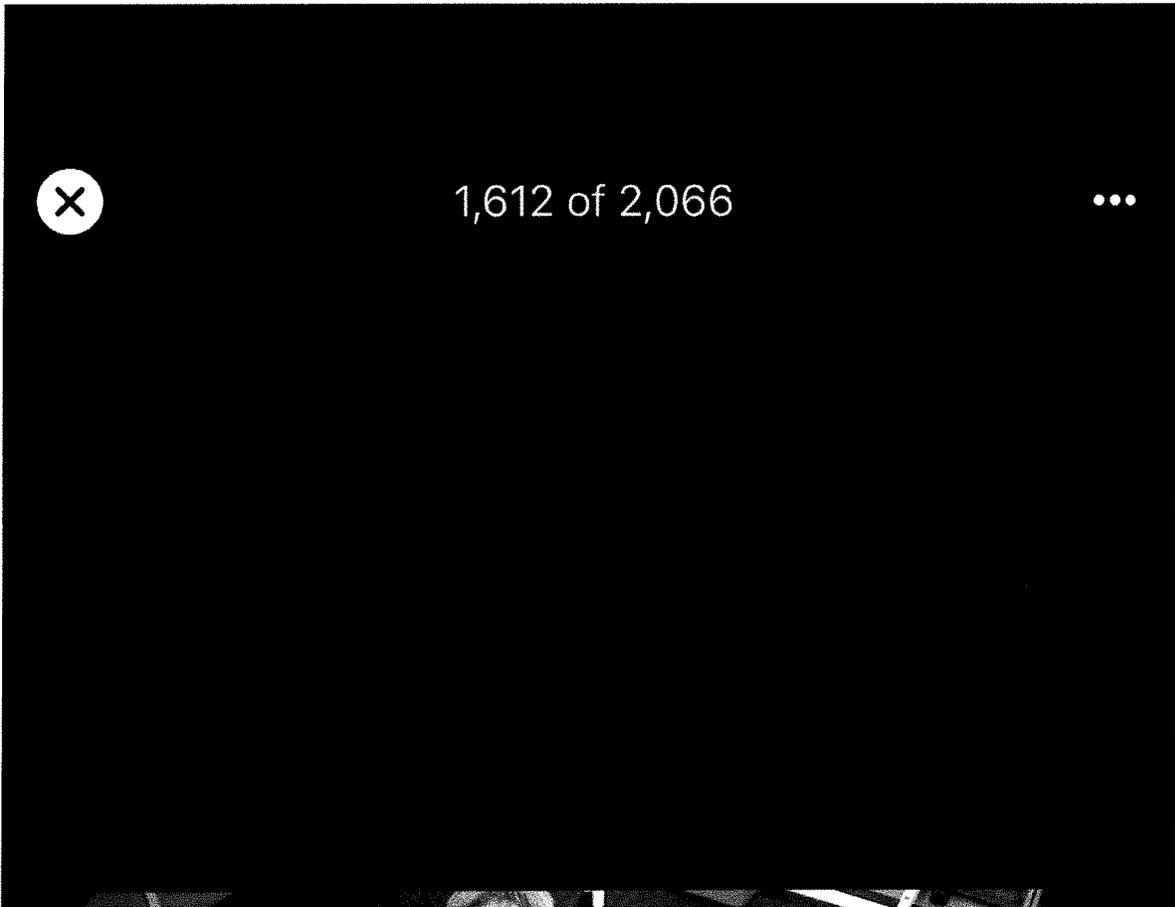
any expressions that one would notice even with a mask. The kids 2 years ago, are happy, shining, thriving. I beg of you to really look at these two pictures and see what the masks are doing. Governor Lamont's "Emergency Orders" will hopefully be coming to an end. And when/if they do, I beg of you to bring smiles back. We are in this for the long haul; it isn't going anywhere. Let's stop punishing these kids and give them their youth back. Let them wake up in the morning excited for school. Let them wake up knowing they are going to be greeted with smiles from ear to ear from classmates and teachers they are just getting to know. The benefits from unmasking far outweigh the risks. Exposure after exposure, my kids and I have stayed healthy. It's not to say we won't ever get Covid; I think it will hit everyone at some point. But it is no longer what it once was. We all need to get back to living. We have learned the important things; handwashing, stay home if you're sick. Back before Covid, if a family member had the flu, the other family members went about their normal lives. More likely than not, it stayed with only one family member. The safest place for a student to be was in school for 7 hours away from the sick bubble. I hope soon, the higher ups in disease control will see this as well.

Dr. Carver, I beg of you; to let the kids smile again. If it comes down to a decision that rests with you, I am hoping you will allow it to fall with a decision by the parents. Give our kids back their youth. They have missed out on smiles for far too long.

I so appreciate you every day for fighting so hard for our kids!

Stay safe and well!

Thanks,
Jen Hantzarides





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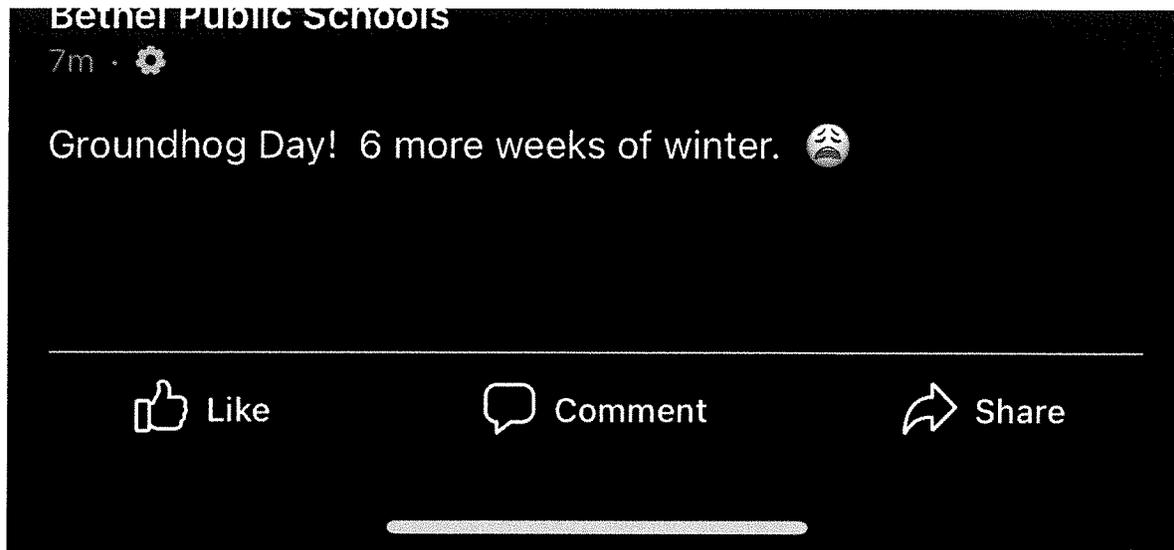
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Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Do what's right!!!

1 message

Jennifer Hantzarides <jhantzarides@yahoo.com>

Fri, Feb 11, 2022 at 9:00 AM

To: "boe@bethel.k12.ct.us" <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>, Christine Carver <carverc@bethel.k12.ct.us>

It's time you heard from the kids that are being held hostage. Our future is at stake, our kids are suffering & the time to stand up is NOW! If this doesn't break your heart, I don't know what will.

Ball is in your court now. Do what's right



It's time you heard from the kids you're holding hostage @govkathyhochul. Our future is at stake, our kids are suffering & the time to stand up is NOW. Everyone needs to WATCH this & SHARE! If this doesn't break your heart, I don't know what will.

By realbengeller

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Let kids be kids

1 message

Erin Barchi <edubbs11@yahoo.com>

Tue, Feb 8, 2022 at 8:57 PM

To: "boe@bethel.k12.ct.us" <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Good afternoon, we were just made aware that that the Selectman of Bethel has said the decision on The mask mandate in schools is up to you guys. I really Hope you all do the right thing and Make it parent choice. This kids have suffered enough. At this point even according the the CDC masking children is pointless and ineffective at this point. I would Even go a step further and say masking children the passed 2 years has done more harm to them in exchange for less harm to adults. That is despicable. Why are there other places in the US able to go mask free without incident? I beg You all do the right thing and let these kids be kids and bring their smiles back. If you believe kids don't mind the masks I'd ask you to just look at pictures of them 2 years ago and now on the Bethel Public School page . Also instead of assuming they don't mind them because they've been conditioned to believe so why don't you ask them? Do the right thing .

Regards
Erin Khuth

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Mask Mandates

1 message

Kristin Lindstrom <klindy11@hotmail.com>

Tue, Feb 8, 2022 at 8:39 PM

To: "boe@bethel.k12.ct.us" <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

I am writing to you on behalf of [REDACTED] Governor Lamont is ending the mask mandates on February 28th and appears to be passing the decision on to you. I really hope this is an obvious decision in favor of getting rid of masks. The damage they have done to my children emotionally, mentally and developmentally is immeasurable. I also work in the school system so I see first hand how it negatively impacts all the children. Mental health issues are out of control.

It is time to end this abuse. These masks don't even work.

Best regards,
Kristin Lindstrom

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Masks

Kathleen McCrink <kathleenmccrink@yahoo.com>

Wed, Feb 9, 2022 at 5:36 PM

To: boe@bethel.k12.ct.us

Good afternoon,

I am coming to you as a grandparent of a student in Bethel Schools. I wanted to express my concerns over these children still having to suffer in masks. I hope the district makes the right choice and gives parents back their right to make the decision to mask/unmask. This has gone on long enough. Those who wanted to have their kids vaccinated have already chosen to do so. Right now, you aren't going to see a surge in school aged kids getting vaccinated. The surge is over. Now it is time to live. The ones who chose to get the vaccine have already had it. Please give my grandkids and all the kids the right to see faces again. In every other aspect of life, kids are going around unmasked. My grandkids have gone to sports, activities, etc, for months without a mask. Kids don't even wear them correctly and at this point it's just become a control aspect. I happened to be in rockwell during their book fair to help volunteer. Kids are not the same as they once were. They are sad, devoid of expressions and cheer. You only need to take a look at elementary aged kids to see that masking has masked their emotions. I am asking you to please accept the fact that this isn't going anywhere.

Unmask these kids!!!

Thank you for taking the time to read my email.

Regards,
Kathy McCrink

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

School Mask Mandate

1 message

John Tomasiewicz <johntomasiewicz@yahoo.com>
Reply-To: John Tomasiewicz <johntomasiewicz@yahoo.com>
To: "boe@bethel.k12.ct.us" <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Wed, Feb 9, 2022 at 1:35 PM

Good Afternoon,

My name is John Tomasiewicz and I am a current resident of Bethel along with my wife Jenna Tomasiewicz. We reside at 24 Chimney Drive.

I understand that the Governor recently announced the end to school and day care mask mandates at the State level as of February 28th. Based on this announcement, the decision to will be handed down to local Board of Ed and health departments.

Schoolchildren have faced significant adversity from mask mandates. Clinical studies have proven that forcing masks on children have harmed their physical and mental health. Masks are are harming children psychologically, and behaviorally, with 24 distinct health issues associated with wearing masks. Some of these health issues include increased headaches, difficulty concentrating, drowsiness or fatigue, malaise, sleep issues, as well as shortness of breath, dizziness, and accelerated respiration, weakness, and short-term impairment of consciousness.

As a father to be, I request that you do what is right for these kids. End all mask mandates.

The goal of our Board of Ed should be to provide a safe, clean learning environment for our children. Focus on healthy eating habits and healthy hygiene. Keep kids active to help build a healthy lifestyle and strong immune system. These are realistic goals that will help our community achieve success for years to come.

The time is now to let parents be parents and determine what is best for their children.

Respectfully,

John Tomasiewicz



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

School masking

1 message

joanna smith <smithasia408@gmail.com>

Tue, Feb 8, 2022 at 5:21 PM

To: VasileL@bethel-ct.gov, boe@bethel.k12.ct.us, davenportl@bethel.k12.ct.us

Hello all,

After gov Lamont's announcement yesterday I wanted to reach out to you.

Dr Carver mentioned yesterday that she is unsure who will make a decision for local schools.

If it is up to BOE I am asking please consider to make it parents choice. Nobody is saying to make masks not allowed. We are just asking to make them an option.

It's been long two years. Please allow parents and kids make that choice.

Thank you for your time

Sincerely
Asia Smith



Pare, Susan <pare@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Fwd: BOE meeting

Carver, Christine <carverc@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Mon, Feb 14, 2022 at 5:30 PM

To: ~BOEmembers <boemembers@bethel.k12.ct.us>, "Pare, Susan" <pare@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Christine Carver, Ed. D.
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From: **Nina Rutkowski** <nina.rutkowski@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, Feb 14, 2022 at 5:22 PM

Subject: BOE meeting

To: <carverc@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Good Evening Dr Carver,

I hope this email find you well and in good health. I'm writing you tonight to express our stance on the mask mandate and truly hope that you and the entire Bethel BOE make the right choice in letting the parents be the ones to decide whether the children will be wearing masks going forward next month.

The entire pandemic has had not only had a serious impact on my children but in great numbers (as what I'm hearing from numerous parents the more I come across)

Throughout the district. It is seriously devastating to continue to watch the pictures posted on social medial of the children in Bethel with masks. Their faces are completely blank. Almost like deer in headlights. I rarely ever see any true meaningful smiles unless it is outside time.

It is truly time to unmask our children. As it becoming more and more pressed around the country and mandates are being lifted, it is truly unfair that the BOE are being the ones to decide what we think is best for our children. It is more that we are now following Politics rather than following science. And that is becoming obvious. Those who wanted to become vaccinated are, and those who do not aren't. If parents and staff feel the need to continue wearinf masks then that should be their choice and it will be greatly respected. However my 2 grader is done wearing . I hear stories on a daily bases how the students are not wearing them properly as does not either So what is the point honestly. And to be frankly honest. I'm glad that doesn't. It gives a chance to breath! However I do have a grader who does wear it correctly for the entire school day and that breaks my heart let and enough is enough. Soon we will be hearing the effects of how these masks have only harmed them Rather have done good.

Cloth masks are known to not work well. Will they be provided with N95 masks? I do want to stress and make clear that on February 28th my children WILL be coming into school without a mask. I will NO longer be proving any masks. If the BOE decides to go down this path, we will no longer fund this as everyone is financially hurting and wasting money on them at this point. I look forward to attending tomorrows BOE meeting and witness positive change for our children moving forward this school year. Have a good night.

Best,
Nina Rutkowski





Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Mask Mandate Comments

1 message

Aileen Mikolajczyk <aileen.mikolajczyk08@gmail.com>

Mon, Feb 14, 2022 at 7:46 PM

To: boe@bethel.k12.ct.us

Hello BOE members -

Thank you for keeping our schools safe and open so far this year. I appreciate your time and review of the public's comments. I will not be able to attend the meeting tomorrow, 2/15, and wanted to send a couple comments to be included in the discussion and review of the mask mandate.

I do want, and believe we should, get to a time when masks are either not required or optional. However, I do not believe that time should be until the entire population is eligible for vaccination. Lifting the mask mandate now, particularly in the younger populations, is like saying the youngest members of the community aren't important to public health. It is unfair to the parents and family members of this younger community and it's leaving them behind as we move forward to "normal". I believe lifting the mask mandate now is premature both in terms of vaccine eligibility and the current positivity rate, I hope you would consider keeping the mandate in place until younger children are eligible for a vaccine.

Thank you for your time,
Aileen Mikolajczyk



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Lift all mandates

1 message

Nicole Comcast <nikkiek@comcast.net>
To: boe@bethel.k12.ct.us

Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 11:56 AM

Hello

I'm emailing to express my support for the BOE to lift the mandates on Feb 28th.

I'm so happy the metrics are such that we are able to get to this point. Our kids have given so much. It's time to support each students needs on an individual level.

Thank you,
Nicole

Sent from my iPhone



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Input on School Masking requirements

1 message

cyndiemcguire <cyndiemcguire@comcast.net>

Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 11:40 AM

To: boe@bethel.k12.ct.us

Cc: Julie Kushner <JulieKushner2022@gmail.com>, Raghiv Allie-Brennan <Raghiv.Allie-Brennan@cga.ct.gov>, Paul McGuire <paulfmcguire34@gmail.com>

Dear Board of Education,

I believe the decision on school masking should be based on metrics and data and the health and well being of our community.

It should matter how many students/staff are vaccinated, what infection rates are in the community, how crowded a school is or how the ventilation has been improved. The decision should be based on metrics related to these factors, in my opinion.

I feel that those of us who are older, have underlying conditions, are immune compromised or wish to protect our parents/grandparents might be left behind.

██████████ will continue to wear a high quality mask, but protection is best when everyone masks. We have a mix of unvaccinated, partially vaccinated, and not boosted people in school. ██████████ spends many hours each day in high school ██████████ and extra curricular activities and also ██████████ in the middle school.

In addition, no covid vaccines are being required, which is another issue I have given that there are many other required vaccinations to attend public schools. At a minimum, covid vaccines which are fully approved, that is, not under emergency use authorization, could be required.

I urge you to consider this a public health issue. It is not about personal choice when that choice risks the health and safety of others. We should be teaching our children that the health and safety of everyone is the top priority. This is a teachable moment. Our children are watching.

Sincerely,
Cyndie McGuire

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device.



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

please continue requiring masks in schools

1 message

Stephanie Springer <stephanie.k.springer@gmail.com>

Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 10:00 AM

To: boe@bethel.k12.ct.us

Hello,

I am writing to urge you to require mask wearing indoors in schools until the end of the school year. I write to you as a concerned parent of a 9 year old who is enrolled in Bethel public schools.

Masks are clearly an effective preventative measure; it is irresponsible to not protect our most vulnerable members of society - including those who are too young to be vaccinated - with a simple, cost effective measure that clearly provides a benefit. Please see the CDC report, Mask Use and Ventilation Improvements to Reduce COVID-19 Incidence in Elementary Schools. Note that this is regarding mask use *and* ventilation. This is not an either-or proposition; even with improved ventilation in Bethel's newer schools, we should take every reasonable precaution to achieve a multi-layered defense. We did not stop wearing seat belts once airbags became more common in vehicles, and we should not stop wearing masks in schools because 5-11 year olds can get vaccinated.

That said, while vaccination rates have increased, we have approached a plateau in the number of eligible persons - including kids 5-11 years old - who have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. Bear in mind too that we do not yet know when children under 5 - many of whom are the younger siblings of older students who are attending Bethel schools - will be able to receive a vaccination themselves. Younger children are as much a part of the Bethel community as older children and adults - and they are particularly susceptible as they have fewer options for protection.

While kids may have different symptoms and may be less likely to be hospitalized, we cannot minimize the dangers of MIS-C or potential "Long COVID" as being long term, chronic conditions. Long COVID is not well understood and more research into how Long COVID affects children is desperately needed.

Finally, I refer you to Public Health Law vs. Individual Advice: Why Discarding Indoor Mask Mandates Is a Mistake: "it's inconsistent with the preventative focus of public health law to make the protection of people still vulnerable to COVID-19 dependent on the willingness of any particular individual to wear a mask indoors." While vaccination rates in schools remain low, it is vital to protect our most vulnerable children.

Wearing masks indoors continues to be a common sense measure that requires minimal effort and minimal cost. We have been impressed with the mitigation measures put into place by the Bethel schools and we trust that the school board will continue to make decisions to keep our kids safe.

Thank you,

Stephanie Springer
510 Copper Square Dr.
Bethel, CT 06801



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Unmask our kids

1 message

Morgana Spiller <morganaspiller@gmail.com>
To: boe@bethel.k12.ct.us

Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 10:08 AM

Hi Board Members,

We won't be able to attend the meeting and I would like to add my email as a voice support to unmask the schools in Bethel.

[REDACTED]

It is proven that the kind of masks most of us is using and make our children use doesn't do much to stop Covid spreading.

Please unmask our kids.

Thank you
Morgana Spiller

Sent from my iPhone



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Unmasking our children meeting 2/15

1 message

Kristen Cioffi <kristencioffi@outlook.com>
To: "boe@bethel.k12.ct.us" <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 10:14 AM

Dear Board Members,

We are unable to attend the meeting scheduled for tonight at 7pm, regarding unmasking our children. We appreciate all the work and effort you do.

Our [redacted] is in her first year at Bethel [redacted]. I am a registered nurse working in two separate hospitals within the state; I work in the emergency department and pediatric units.

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Kristen and Salvatore Arrigo



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Spring break

[REDACTED]
To: Bethel Board of Education <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 11:00 AM

Please change spring break to the week after Easter. I will not be able to hang out with my friends from other schools and will cry and throw up because I will be by myself.



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Spring break

Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 11:01 AM

[REDACTED]
To: Bethel Board of Education <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

There's no point of break if I can't hang out with my friends



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Unmasking our children meeting 2/15

1 message

Kristen Cioffi <kristencioffi@outlook.com>
To: "boe@bethel.k12.ct.us" <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 10:14 AM

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BETHEL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CENTRAL OFFICE

Bethel Board of Education
Bethel Municipal Center
1 School St.
Bethel, CT 06801

Dear school board members,

I am writing to you in regard to requiring masks be worn in schools.

I firmly support leaving the mask mandate in place until a vaccine is available to children under 5 OR daytime temperatures allow windows in the classroom to be kept open.

Children have the least ability to control their own health risks and therefore schools should continue to use masks longer than the general public. They can provide a safer, stabler health environment for children by keeping the mandate in place.

People want to return to a normal that can't exist until the pandemic is over. But that *normal* wasn't even good!

Before the pandemic we often just accepted as fact that schools always had some kind of respiratory diseases circulating in them in winter and there was nothing that could be done. It wasn't serious enough to overcome habits or change the environment.

Long term, I would like to see ventilation improved in all schools. Classrooms should be able to open the windows. Interior rooms should have better mechanical ventilation. I would like to see handwashing sinks installed in the hallways by the cafeteria so kids can wash their hands while in line for lunch. Those are structural changes that won't happen this year.

Which means we need to rely on other measures and that includes a mask mandate. It's an imperfect solution but it provides one clear level of protection for students that otherwise are required to be in an environment they can't control or modify to mitigate their own risk.

It also protects children too young for school. They'll come into more frequent close contact with older siblings in school than almost anyone else. Making it less likely they bring home Covid helps stabilize their home environment, meaning they do better in schools.

Keep the mandate for now. Reassess in May.

Sincerely,
Honorah O'Neill
54 Taylor Ave. Bethel
fenris_lorsrai@yahoo.com



Board of Education, Bethel <boe@bethel.k12.ct.us>

Masking

1 message

Kristi DeRubertis <kristi.dero@gmail.com>

Tue, Feb 15, 2022 at 4:02 PM

To: boe@bethel.k12.ct.us

Cc: Carverc@bethel.k12.ct.us

Good Afternoon,

I will spare you the long winded email, as I'm sure your inboxes are flooded, regarding masking in schools.

However, I will share a video with you. It's the reaction [REDACTED] had when the Governor lifted the mandate in schools. I explained to him that it's now up to the town.

Please, I beg of you, do the right thing for these kids and make masking a personal choice.

Sincerely,
Kristi DeRubertis

Sent from my iPhone

 **Video.MOV**
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BETHEL PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2022- 2023 CALENDAR

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August 3

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1	2	3	4	5
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23 - BHS Freshman Orientation
22-24 - New Staff Orientation
25,26 - Professional Learning Day - No School - K-12
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5 - Labor Day
21 - Professional Learning - ED - K-12
26 - Rosh Hashanah

October 19

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5 - Yom Kippur
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November 18

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8 - Professional Learning Day - No School - K-12
11 - Veteran's Day Observed
23 - Early Dismissal K-12
24-25 -Thanksgiving Recess

December 17

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23 - Early Dismissal - K-12
26 - 30- Holiday Recess

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16 - Martin Luther King Day

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*20-21 Presidents' Day Recess

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7 - Good Friday
10 - 14- Spring Recess

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Music Curriculum Revisions: Ensembles and Adaptive

Presentation for the Curriculum Committee of the Bethel Board of Education by the Bethel Music Department on Feb 3, 2022



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QUESTIONS?



Music Transfer Goals

Developed by the Music Dept to align with Global Competencies

TG1 develop, perform, and/or refine musical works, adapting to the input of others.

TG2 take chances when presenting musical ideas for consideration and subsequent revision.

TG3 analyze and interpret works for their musical merit, describing the tools and techniques that led to the given outcome.



National Core Arts Standards

Linked [here](#)

Four artistic processes: Create, Perform,
Respond, Connect

Published in 2014

Developed with NAFME (National Association
for Music Education) and other visual/
performing arts education organizations.





Vaughan Fleischfresser

@VFleischfresser



The Music Department is an alternate universe where pupils are often unrecognisable from who they are outside of it. The shy become confident. The agitated become calm. The lonely become included. The quiet become heard. And the lost become found. Music reveals the real child.

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Vaughan Fleischfresser

@VFleischfresser



Music Education shouldn't just be for a chosen few - it should be for everybody.

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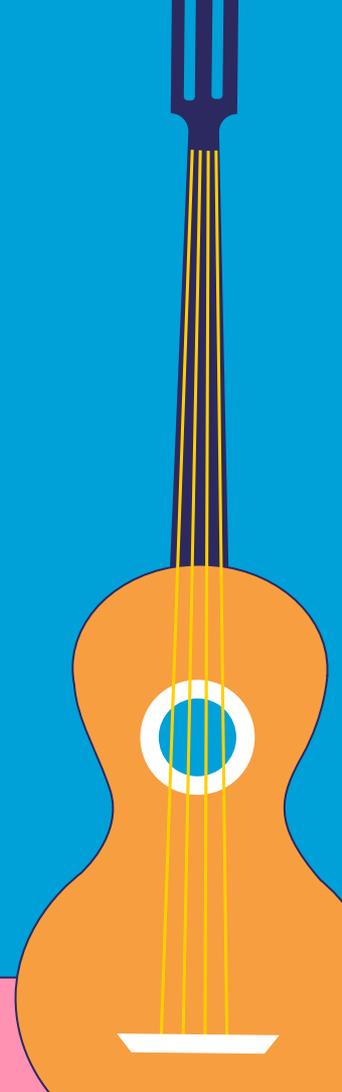
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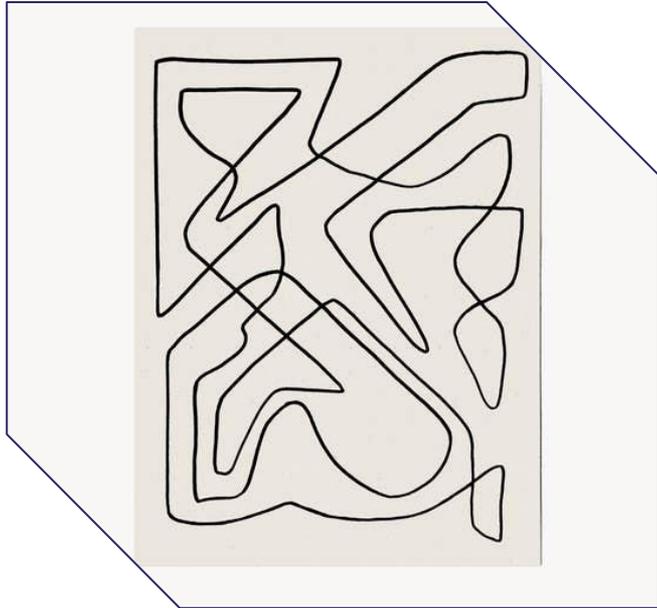
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The design and scope of the ensembles curriculum K-12



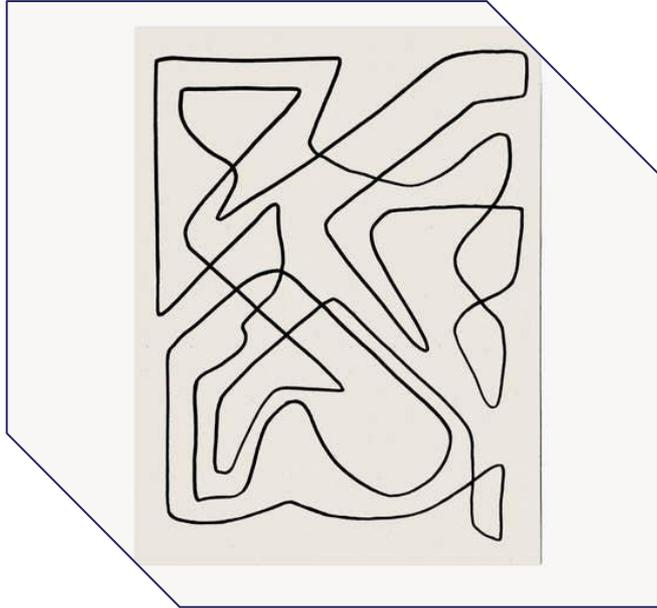
UNIT ORGANIZATION



How does unit sequencing work in skills-based music ensembles?

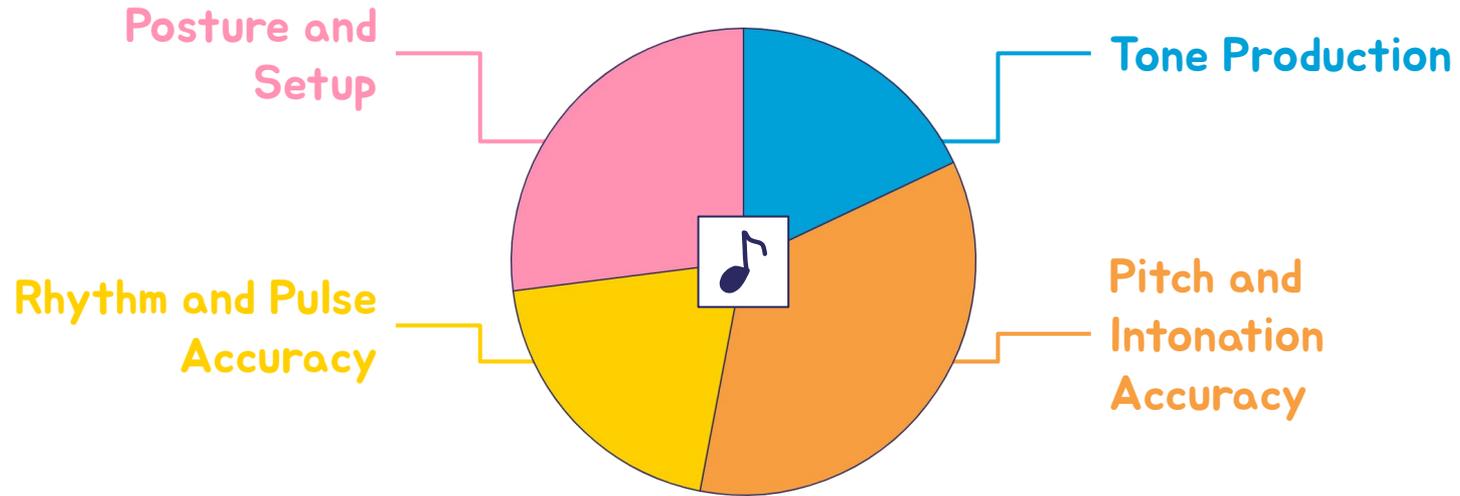
- Rather than strict sequencing, we use a continuum of units that come and go throughout a year of instruction.

UNIT ORGANIZATION CONT.



- The same units are applied to all three ensemble areas - Band, Chorus, Orchestra
- That unit structure is the same for novice (or yrs 1-2), intermediate (or yrs 3-4), proficient (or HS) and advanced (or HS advanced/collegiate)

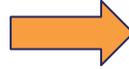
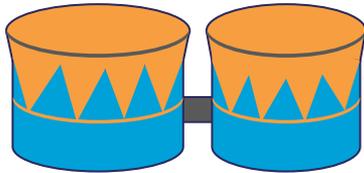
The first four units



The next two units

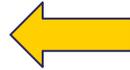
Improvisation

Creating spontaneously

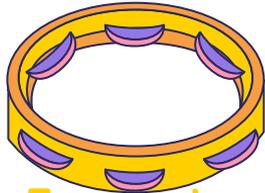


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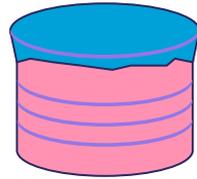
Creating with time to consider revisions



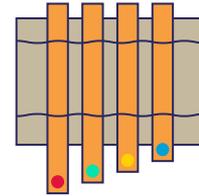
The next three units



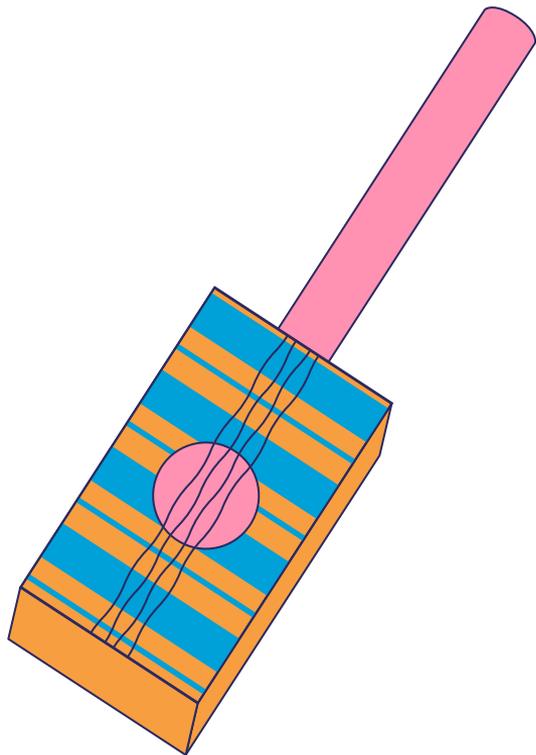
Expressive
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Ensemble Skills

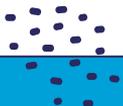


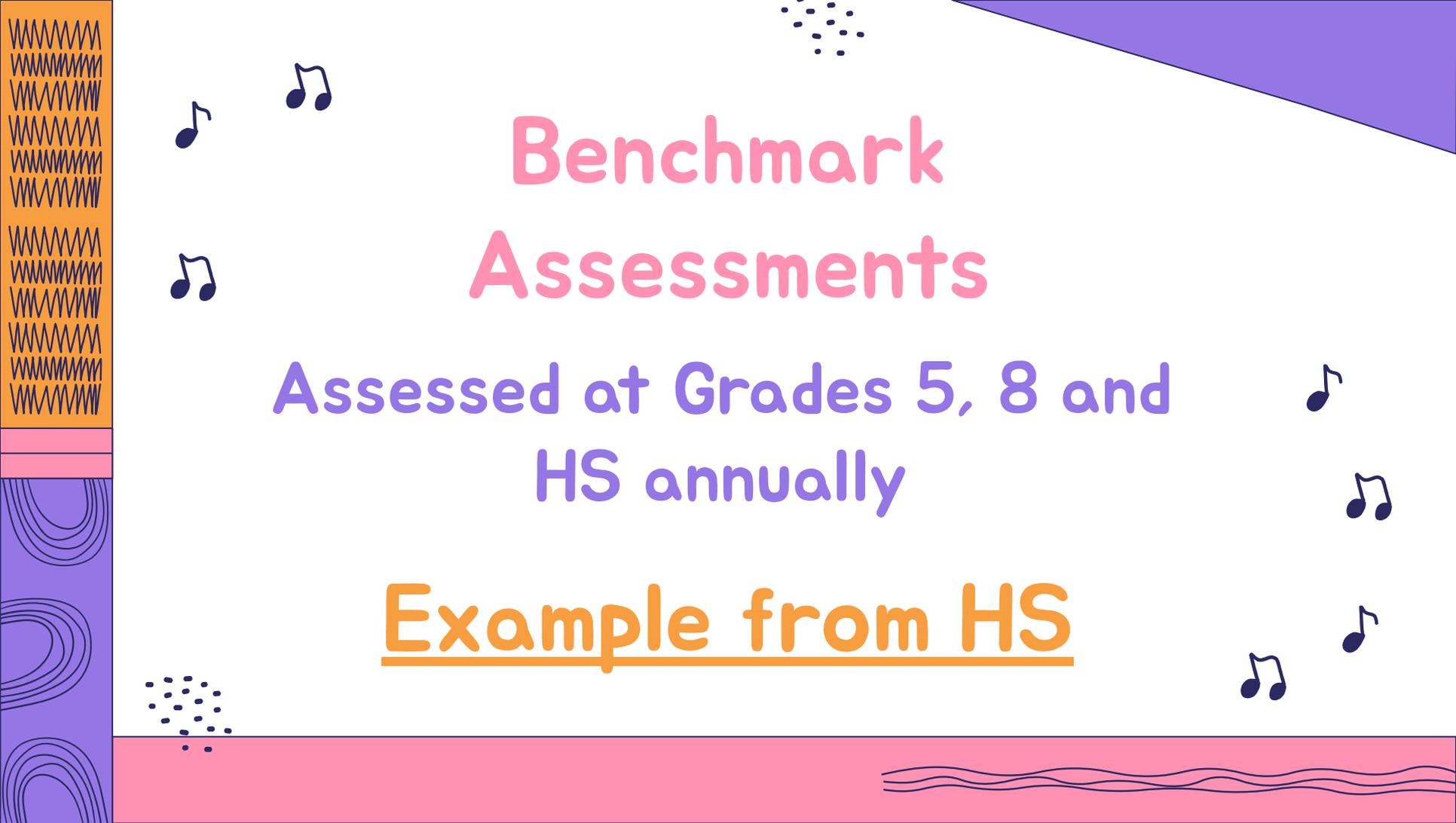
Historical/
Cultural Context



The final unit

Solo Performance

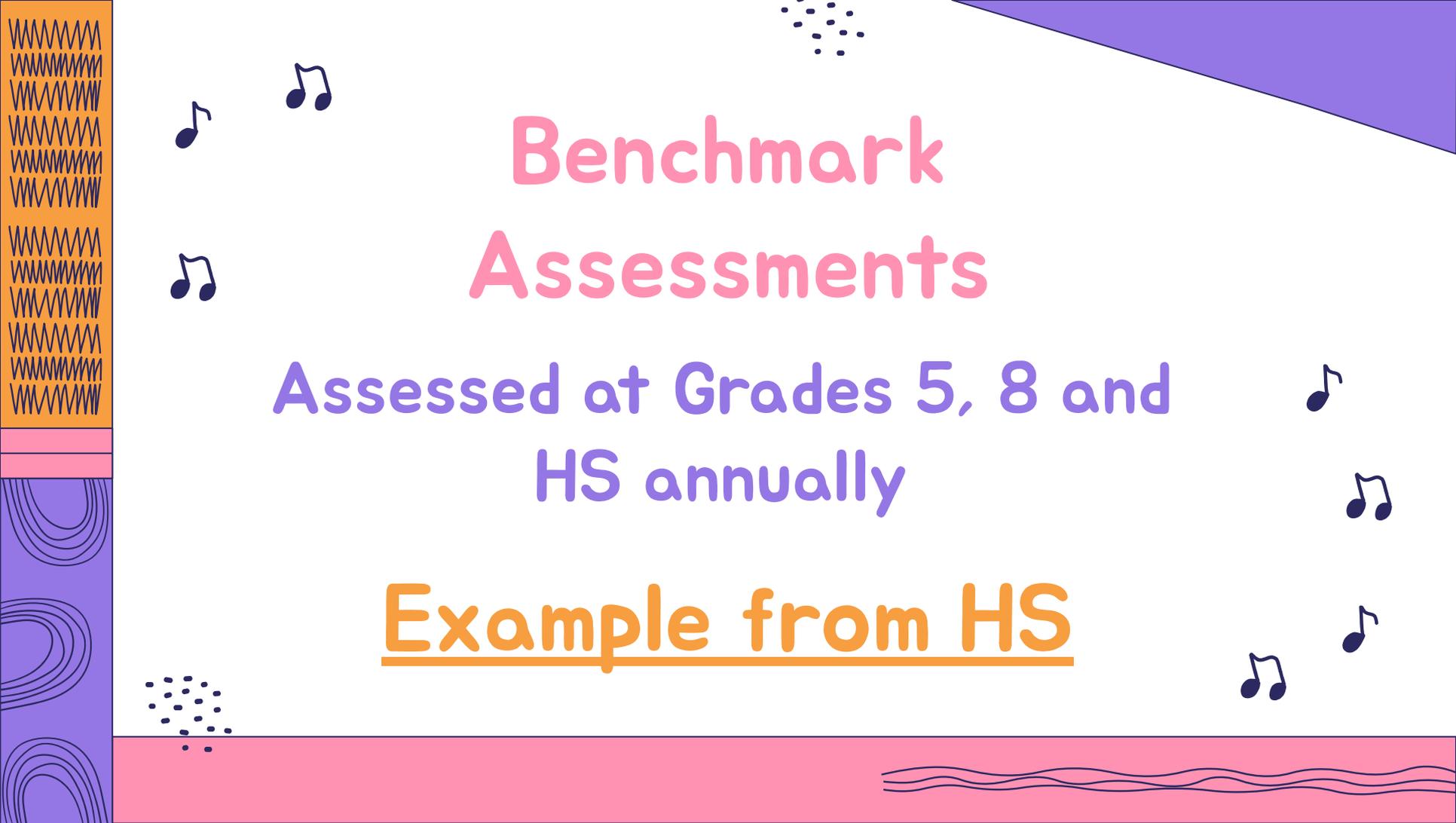




Benchmark Assessments

Assessed at Grades 5, 8 and
HS annually

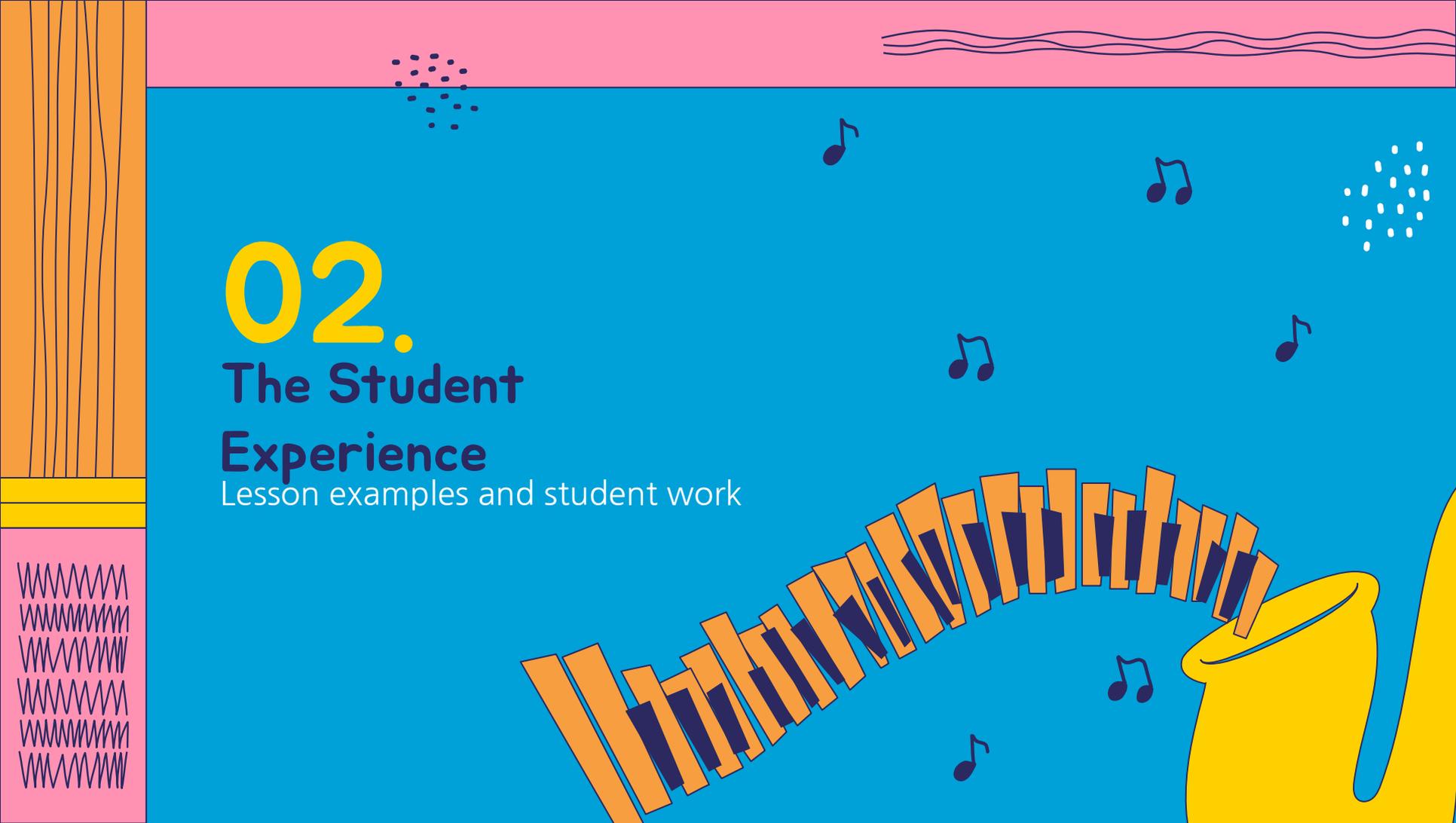
Example from HS



02.

The Student Experience

Lesson examples and student work





Richard Baumer

Aug 28, 2021 (Edited Aug 31, 2021)



For week of 8/30–9/3

Bring your instrument to the first day of class. Leave it in the band room on the left when entering. You can do so in the morning.



1.1 Welcome/ Co...

Google Slides



1.2 Repertoire

Google Slides



1.3 Bowing and ...

Google Slides



Melody Road - ...

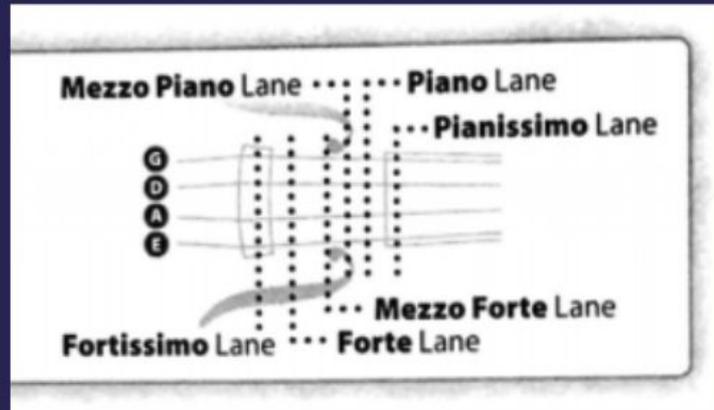
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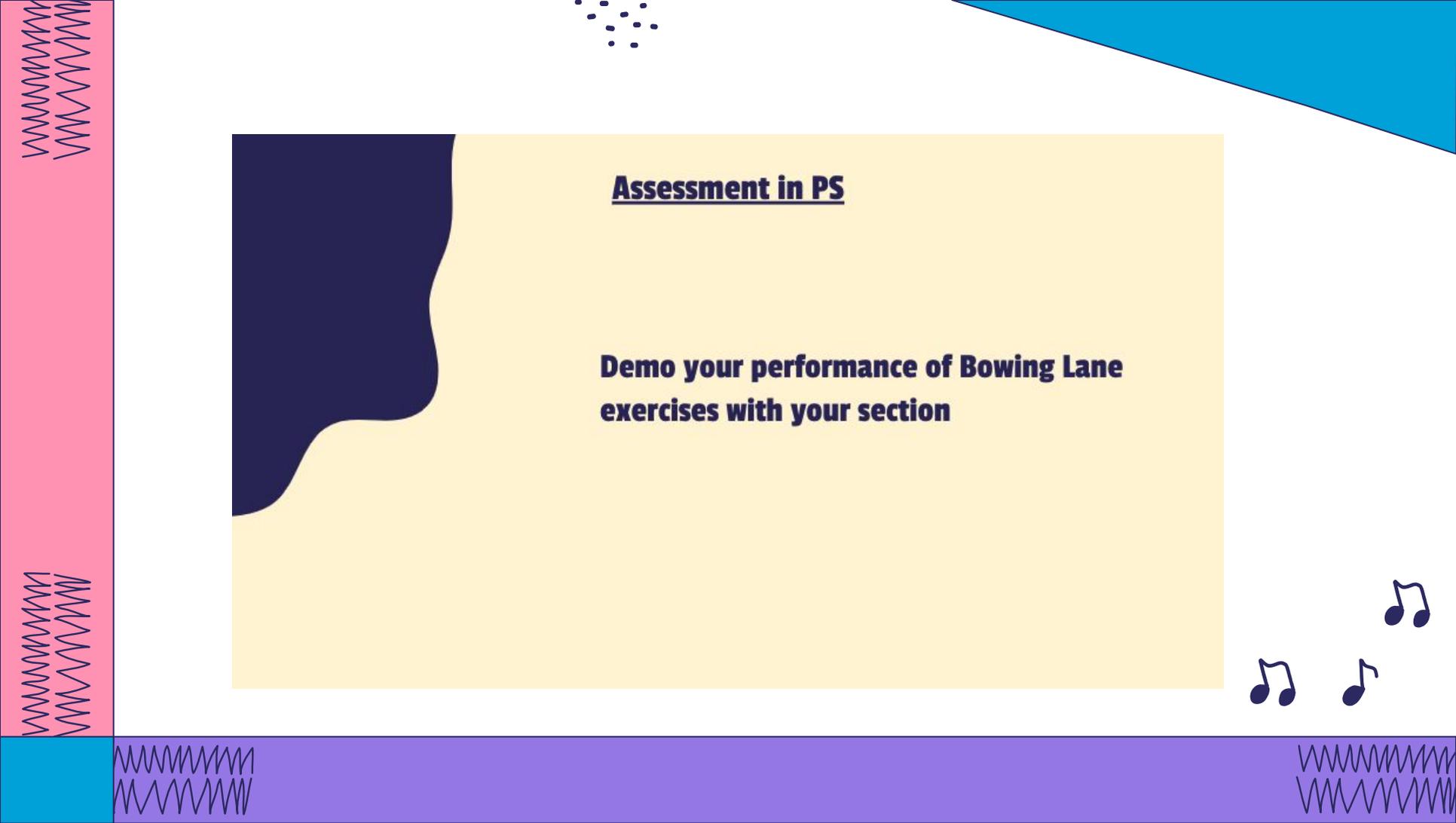


Add class comment...



Bowing Lanes





Assessment in PS

Demo your performance of Bowing Lane exercises with your section





Richard Baumer

Sep 20, 2021



For 9/20, 9/22, and 9/24



1.7 Composition

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1.8 Repertoire

Google Slides



1.9 Scales

Google Slides



Add class comment...





Christine Manalo

10:15 AM



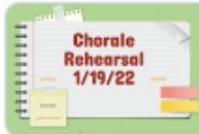
For today's class I will...

- Warm my voice up.
- Learn about vocal jazz origins, improvisation concepts/vocabulary, and scatting.
- Commence with repertoire Reading Day!

Please be sure that there are TWO seats in between you AND in front of you. I cannot emphasize this enough.

Chamber Singers, we will meet during WC Time this week for rehearsal!

Peace,
Miss M



Choir Lesson 1/5/21

Google Slides



BHS Choirs: Vocal Jazz

Google Slides



Sky Above - Jacob Collier...

PDF



Sky Above arr. Manalo - 1_...

Audio

Vocal Jazz Vocab

Improvisation

The spontaneous invention of melodic solo lines over a chord progression.



Vocalese

A style of singing where singers put words to a jazz tune, sometimes over an instrumental solo line.

Scatting

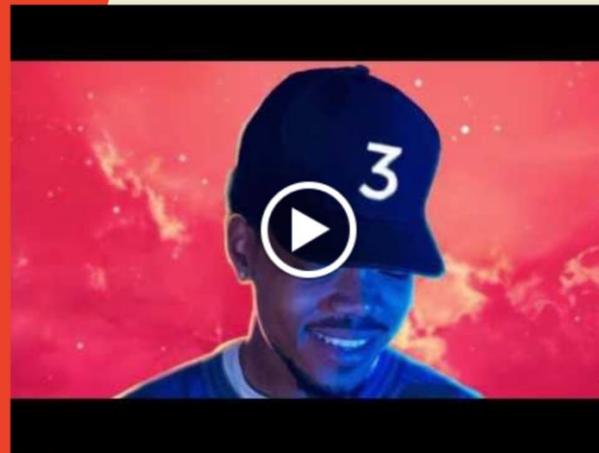
Vocal improvisation using wordless syllables, nonsense syllables, or no words at all. The singer improvises **MELODIES** and **RHYTHMS** with the voice as an instrument.



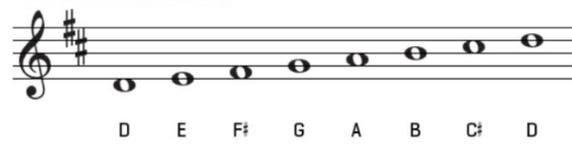
Vocal Improv Level 3

1. Try this out with a Chance the Rapper tune (it's No Problem by Chance).
2. Practice improving with notes in the D major scale...
3. Practice improving with notes AND rhythms.
4. It's a safe space to share - volunteers first, then everyone!

NO PROBLEM!



D major scale (treble clef)



For this week, we will be covering these topics (attached to Classroom stream):

- The American Songbook & Jazz Standards
- Collaboration w/ peers to perform a jazz tune.

Also, be sure to review your parts for Sky Above by Jacob Collier – we're doing a runthrough of the piece next class. Those recordings are also attached to this stream.

Best,
Miss M



3.2 The American Songbook
Google Slides



6.3 Jazz Standards Collab...
Google Slides



Sky Above - Jacob Collier...
PDF



Sky Above - Alto.m4a
Audio



Sky Above - Bari.m4a
Audio



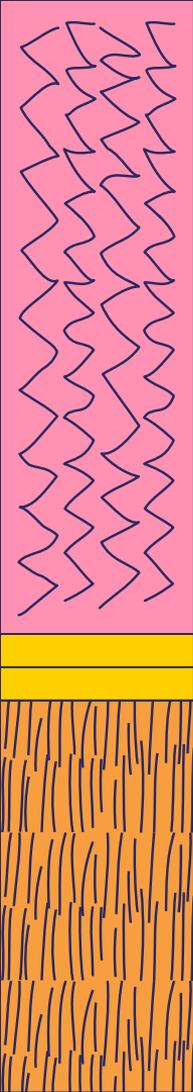
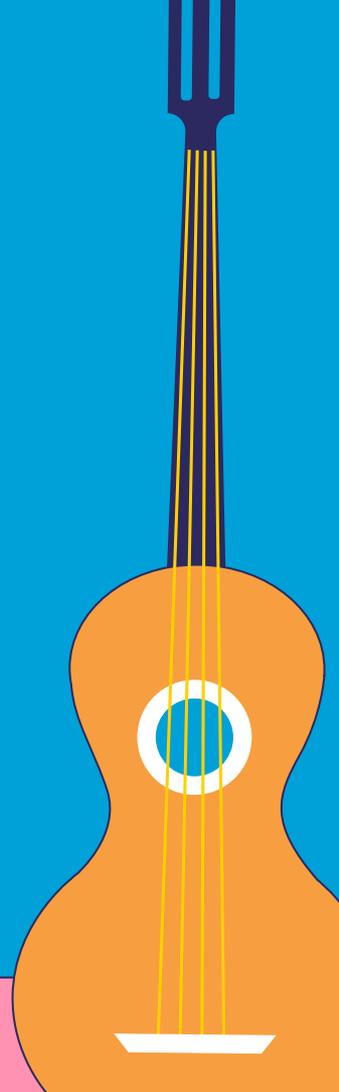
Sky Above - Soprano.m4a
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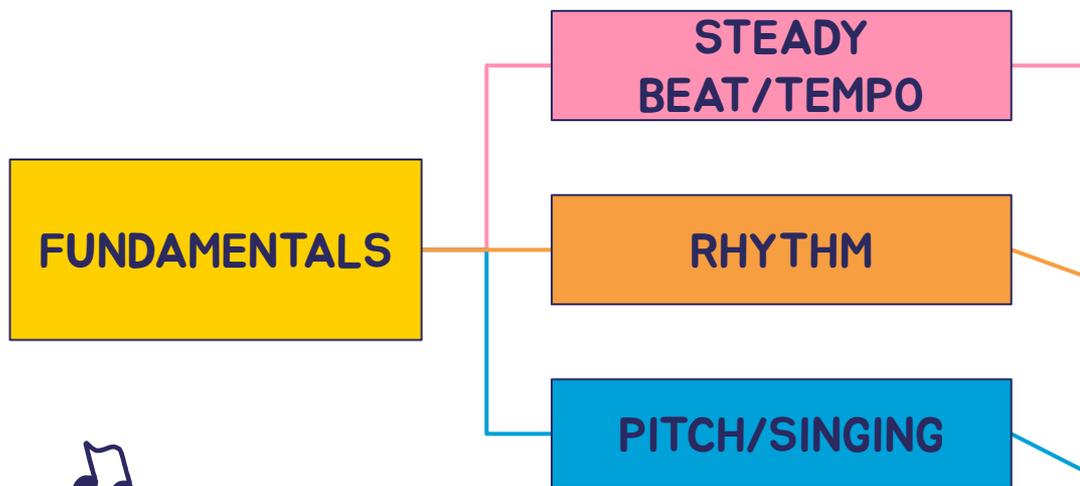
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ADAPTIVE OVERVIEW

The design and scope of the adaptive curriculum



The first three units



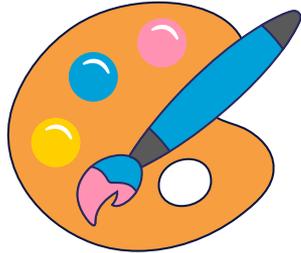
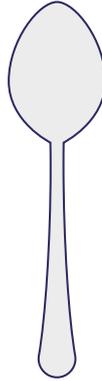
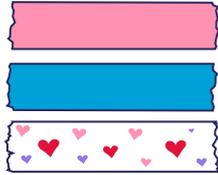
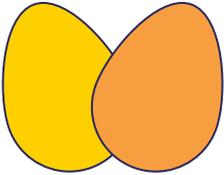
Students must be able to identify and feel the steady beat in music (fast, slow, or moderate) before they can convincingly perform music with rhythmic and pitch accuracy.

Students should practice notating, chanting, and echoing musical patterns on percussion instruments before they can understand the added layer of complexity that is pitch.

Students will be able to create music in the way that is most natural to people; through singing. They will also understand how pitch interacts and coincides with rhythm.

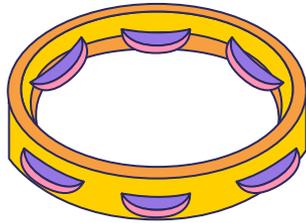


The next four units



- Lyrics & Songwriting
- Music Technology
- Music Genres
- Music History

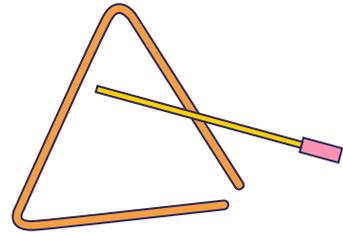
The last three units



- Music and Visual Art



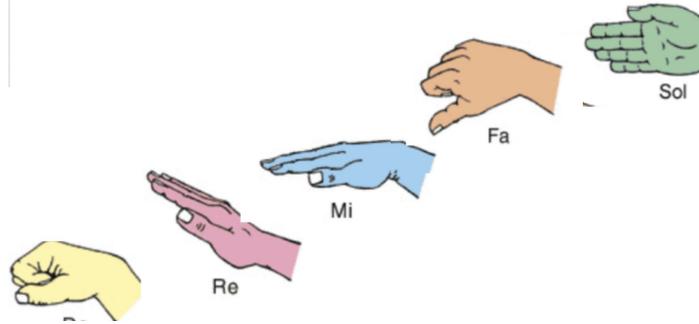
- Music and Movement



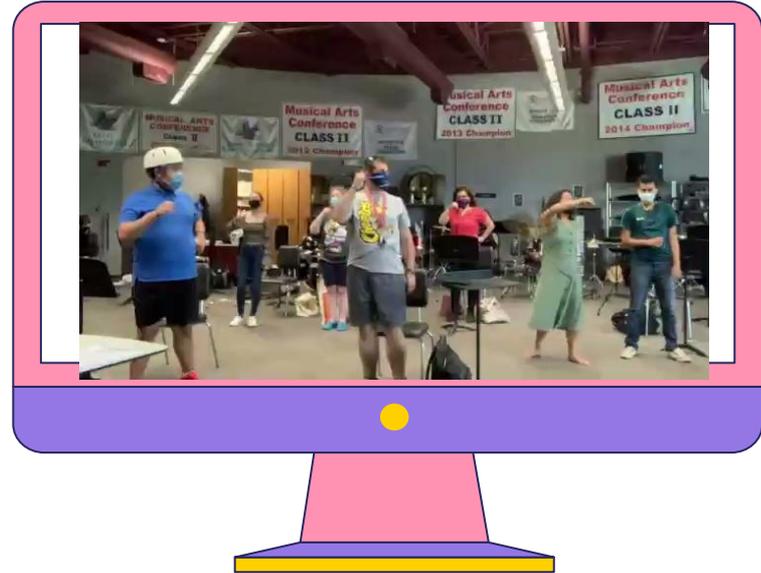
- Performance

Examples

SOLFEGE MINDREADER



Pitch, Solfege, & Singing



These _____ really are good. Eat all the foods, as you should The
food multiple

_____ and _____ are okay Now it's Thanksgiving
food multiple food multiple

Day I'd give my soul for _____ Even some over cooked
food

_____ Just something else on my dish that really would make my
food

day My chair was folding _____, wind was blowin'
two syllable food

_____, bone was showin' Where you think you're going, gravy?
two syllable food

Hey it's Thanksgiving And we're all lazy But here's my turkey So pass the gravy

It's hard to eat _____, _____ baby, So here's my
two syllable food two syllable food

turkey Now pass the gravy Hey, it's Thanksgiving and we're all lazy Now here's
my turkey So pass the gravy And all the _____ Are tasty crazy
three syllable food

Now here's my turkey So pass the gravy You say you really love

_____ Or all the football I'd rather be at the mall Preparing for
fall activity

Christmas Day _____ Eating a really quick meal I get so pumped
Favorite Thanksgiving activity

for a steal Everyone out of my way! My chair was folding _____,
two syllable food

wind was blowin' _____, bone was showin' Where you think
two syllable food

you're going, gravy? Hey it's Thanksgiving And we're all lazy Now here's my

turkey So pass the gravy And all the _____ Are tasty crazy Now
three syllable food

here's my turkey So pass the gravy Before _____ I hope it snows
Thanksgiving activity

bad I hope it snows bad I hope it snows so bad Before _____ I
Thanksgiving activity

hope it snows bad I hope it snows bad I hope it snows so bad It's hard to eat

These (**turkies**) really are good
Eat all the foods, as you should
The (**apples**) and (**potatoes**) are okay
Now it's Thanksgiving Day

I'd give my soul for (**turkey**)
Even some over cooked (**hot dogs**)
Just something else on my dish
that really would make my day

My chair was folding
(**pumpkin**), wind was **blowin'**
(**cabbage**), bone was **showin'**
Where you think you're going, gravy?

CHORUS

Hey it's Thanksgiving
And we're all lazy
But here's my turkey
So pass the gravy

It's hard to eat (**sushi**) (**lays chips**) baby,
So here's my turkey
Now pass the gravy

Hey, it's Thanksgiving
and we're all lazy
Now here's my turkey
So pass the gravy

And all the (**cereal**)
Are tasty crazy
Now here's my turkey
So pass the gravy

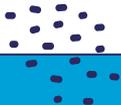
You say you really love (**pumpkin picking**)
Or all the football
I'd rather be at the mall
Preparing for Christmas Day

(**Watch football**)
Eating a really quick meal

Examples (cont.)



Songwriting - "Pass the Gravy"



Examples cont.



04: NEXT STEPS

UBD Update for General Music K-5 - In progress and slated for completion before June, 2022

Ensembles Advanced

High School Courses that have yet to formally write curriculum - includes Modern Band (Guitar/ Drum Set) and Digital Music and Recording Studio

QUESTIONS?



JOB DESCRIPTIONS

Bethel Public Schools · Bethel, CT

1.08
Locator

Position Title:

Director of Finance and Business Operations

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QUALIFICATIONS: A) A Bachelor's Degree in Business Management or Accounting or a degree in School Administration

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B) Must hold State of CT Business Manager's Certification 085 or Administrator's Certification 092

C) Knowledge of and experience of finances, and business operations, school business preferred, including: Federal and State reporting systems, writing and management of grants, development of bid specifications and budgeting

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D) Such alternatives to the above qualifications as the Board of Education may find appropriate and acceptable.

REPORTS TO: Superintendent of Schools

SUPERVISES: Human Resources Manager, Supervisor of Security and Operations
Accounting Supervisor, Administrative Assistant

Deleted: Business Office personnel

Commented [2]: Who evaluates the rest of the office?

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JOB GOAL:
To administer the Business Office and school operations of the district in such a way as to support district needs aligned to our strategic plan with the available resources.

PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Acts as advisor to the Superintendent in all finance, business and operations matters including, the preparation of the local LEA school budget. Establishes a program of budget forecasting and control.

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2. Supports administration in the development of grants and oversees the spending and reporting of all grants.

3. Has bonded oversight of all student activity accounts.

4. Has supervisory responsibility for purchases of equipment, supplies and for inventory control.

5. Supports the Town purchasing agent in the development of bid specifications.

6. Manages the district's insurance programs inclusive of risk management and chairing the district's DOL required Safety Committee.

7. Provides data as concerns the business area of the school system to the Board of Education, educational staff, municipal boards and the public.

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8. Administers, through the bus company Management, the transportation affairs of the school district.

- 9. Administers, through the [food service management company's](#) cafeteria director, the school lunch program.
- 10. Responsible for all payroll and accounting systems.
- 11. Responsible for reporting to State and Federal governments.
- 12. Assists the Board of Education in negotiating all labor contracts. Often is the lead negotiator for non-certified staff contracts.
- 13. Responsible for [oversight of](#) the Human Resources Department.
- 14. [Insures](#) staff [training](#) in the use of various fiscal and personnel programs.
- 15. Serves as the Board of Education liaison with the fiscal authorities of the Town of Bethel. [Works in conjunction with the Town Finance Department on shared services and BOE special revenue accounts.](#)
- 16. [Oversees Facilities operations and supports the Superintendent on long term capital projects.](#)
- 17. Carries out other duties as assigned by the Superintendent of Schools.

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TERM OF EMPLOYMENT: Twelve-month work year. In accordance with the contract drawn between the Superintendent and the Board of Education

EVALUATION: Performance will be evaluated annually by the Superintendent of Schools

Approved: 8/28/95
 Revised: 6/21/99, 4/27/06, 1/11, [2/22](#)

BETHEL BOARD OF EDUCATION

Briefing Summary

Date of Briefing to the BOE: February 15, 2022

Presenter: Theresa Yonsky

Cc: Dr. Christine Carver, Dr. Kristen Brooks

Topic: Transportation Services RFQ/P Analysis & Award

Importance of this topic to the Board: Very Important

Key Points of the Briefing:

The RFQ/P was issued with several alternates. It was advertised, posted on BOE website and emailed directly to all the major school bus companies in CT. Responses were received from 2 companies. The proposals were read independently by Bill Foster, Suzanne Rodger & Teri Yonsky. The committee then met and compared initial scoring. Teri Yonsky called a reference of each. A follow-up meeting with the vendor with lower pricing across the board was set up. All committee questions were answered.

Summary of the Briefing:

One vendor had lower pricing across the board and higher scoring by the committee. This was our current provider.

The RMBO committee met and reviewed the bid committee's findings and discussed the alternate solutions proposed that were within our budget as proposed for 22-23. The BOE RMBO committee made a recommendation to the full Board of Education

Action Requested of the Board of Education RMBO committee:

The Bethel Board of Education awards the bid to _____ as follows:

- 1) That the Director of Fiscal Services works with legal counsel to finalize and sign a five-year agreement, and
 - 2) That the alternate chosen to move forward with is
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2021 Transportation RFQ/RFP			
Comparisons/Analysis			
	First Student	DATTCO	Notes:
Base Bid - Average age 7, not > 10			
Year One	6.50%	9.73%	Bus fleet would be younger and kept younger on a rolling basis. Rate is lowest and next four years standard increases.
Years 2,3,4,5	3/3/3/3%	3.5/3.5/3.5/3.5%	
	New buses: 18 large, all SpED	All new as no current fleet in Bethel	
	Continue to phase in new buses		
Alt 1: All new diesel buses	8.50%	9.73%	All new bus fleet, less breakdowns, longer stability.
Year One	3/3/3/3%	3.5/3.5/3.5/3.5%	
Years 2,3,4,5			
Alt 2: 14 Propane & diesel base bid			A move to alternate fuel, cleaner, heats up quickly. Fueling would be done daily, infrastructure not for propane.
Year One	9.75%	N/A	
Years 2,3,4,5	3/3/3/3%	N/A	
	Would have a service fuel daily	Work w/district to install infrastructure	
	Includes new diesel: 4 large & SpED		
Alt 4: All new Propane			
Year One	13%	15.50%	
Years 2,3,4,5	4/4/4/4%	3.5/3.5/3.5/3.5%	
Alt 5: Extended Arm Stop 1X cost	Not proposed	\$3500 per bus	
Alt 6: Outside camera for licenses	Included	\$400 per bus	
References (1 response for each)	very happy	very happy	
Depot Location	Leases Henry St. Depot	Counting on Henry St. Depot	
Extra Features	Web based discipline tracking	Dress code	
	Route efficiency audit available	After hours charter coverage	
Limitations	Need to improve communication	Guarantee to pay 180 days	
	Parent notifications only if use app		

BETHEL BOE BUDGET 2021-2022
BUDGET TRANSFERS SUMMARY BY PERIOD

		Approved	July-Sept	Oct-Jan	Feb-May	June		Total	Final
Object Codes		Budget	Adjustments	Adjustments	Adjustments	Adjustments	Adjustments	Transfers	Budget
Salaries	1000	32,888,544	-	-	-	-	-	-	32,888,544
Employee Benefits	2000	9,288,230	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,288,230
Professional Services	3000	1,046,213	-	(2,380)	-	-	-	(2,380)	1,043,833
Purchased Property Services	4000	245,200	-	7,820	-	-	-	7,820	253,020
Other Purchased Services	5000	4,299,104	-	(1,350)	-	-	-	(1,350)	4,297,754
Supplies	6000	891,390	(1,200)	(216)	-	-	-	(1,416)	889,974
Property	7000	310,362	1,200	(3,874)	-	-	-	(2,674)	307,688
Miscellaneous	8000	81,045	-	-	-	-	-	-	81,045
Total Budget		49,050,088	-	-	-	-	-	-	49,050,088
Total Transfers From			(1,200)	(7,820)	-	-		(7,820)	
Total Transfers To			1,200	7,820	-	-		7,820	
% of Total Budget								0.02%	

BETHEL BOE BUDGET 2021-2022
BUDGET TRANSFERS BY PERIOD

	Account Number	Description	Increased	Decreased	Notes
1	100.16.2230.119.4320	REPAIR & MX CONTRACTS/SUPPL - TECH	5,000	0	Director of Instructional Tech's Request
	100.16.2230.119.7304	EQUIPMENT - TECHNOLOGY - SW - COMPUTER	0	(5,000)	For Visionary maintenance contract
	Total for Request		5,000	(5,000)	and tech repairs
2	100.14.1100.108.6110	INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES - JS - MATH	4,591	0	Principal's Request
	100.14.2410.101.3302	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES - JS	0	(2,330)	For IXL subscription for math
	100.14.2410.101.5800	TRAVEL - JS	0	(1,400)	acceleration for personalized learning
	100.14.2410.101.6901	OTHER SUPPLIES - JS	0	(861)	
Total for Request		4,591	(4,591)		
3	100.11.2410.101.4440	RENTALS - HS	2,820	0	Athletic Director's Request
	100.11.2900.978.6113	GENERAL SUPPLIES - SPORTS/CLUBS - HS	0	(2,820)	For athletic rentals at Danbury
	Total for Request		2,820	(2,820)	Sports Dome
4	100.12.1100.101.7302	EQUIPMENT - MS - FURNITURE & FIXTURES	1,126	0	Principal's Request
	100.12.2410.101.6901	OTHER SUPPLIES - MS	0	(1,126)	For purchase of stacking chairs for LMC
	Total for Request		1,126	(1,126)	
5	100.15.2410.101.5800	TRAVEL - RS	50	0	Principal's Request
	100.15.2410.101.3302	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES - RS	0	(50)	For lodging & meals for teacher attending
	Total for Request		50	(50)	National Art conference in NYC

Rockwell Elementary School

BUDGET TRACKING REPORT

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ITEM DESCRIPTION	100% CD Est. /Budget	APPROVED CHANGES	CURRENT CONTRACT	PENDING CHANGES	ESTIMATED FINAL COST	INVOICED TO DATE	INVOICES EXPECTED	DELTA TO BUDGET
GMP Contract					\$22,647,238	\$22,466,309	\$180,776	\$1,140,750
Total Soft Costs					\$3,793,622	\$3,705,308	\$14,762	\$210,367
Owner Contingency:					\$535,246	\$0	\$0	\$535,246
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS					\$26,976,106	\$26,171,617	\$195,537	\$1,886,364
TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET					\$25,659,665			
VARIANCE					(\$1,316,441)		97%	
Total Projected Capital Cost					\$26,976,106			\$1,316,441

ITEM DESCRIPTION	RIZZO Corp GMP (2/5/19)	APPROVED CHANGES	CURRENT CONTRACT	PENDING CHANGES	ESTIMATED FINAL COST	INVOICED TO DATE	INVOICES EXPECTED	DELTA TO BUDGET
GMP ("GMP")	\$21,506,488	\$1,726,020	\$22,700,964	\$0	\$22,647,238	\$22,466,309	\$180,776	\$1,140,750
Trade Costs	\$19,508,989	\$1,138,763	\$21,179,295	\$0	\$21,179,295	\$21,059,160	\$120,135	\$1,670,306
CM Contingency	\$585,270	\$531,543	\$53,726	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$585,270)
CM Precon Fee	\$75,000	\$0	\$75,000	\$0	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0	\$0
CM Reimbursable Costs	\$896,518	\$0	\$896,518	\$0	\$896,518	\$892,740	\$3,778	\$0
Construction Manager Fee	\$255,069	\$55,713	\$310,782	\$0	\$310,782	\$253,919	\$56,863	\$55,713
Insurance	\$47,519	\$0	\$47,519	\$0	\$47,519	\$47,519	\$0	\$0
State Education Fee	\$5,556	\$0	\$5,556	\$0	\$5,556	\$5,402	\$0	\$0
Performance and Payment Bond	\$132,567	\$0	\$132,567	\$0	\$132,567	\$132,567	\$0	\$0
SUBTOTAL, GMP Costs	\$21,506,488	\$1,726,020	\$22,700,964	\$0	\$22,647,238	\$22,466,309	\$180,776	\$1,140,750

ITEM DESCRIPTION	FEB 2019 BUDGET	APPROVED CHANGES	CURRENT CONTRACT	PENDING CHANGES	ESTIMATED FINAL COST	INVOICED TO DATE	INVOICES EXPECTED	DELTA TO BUDGET
Owner Contingencies	\$1,117,213	\$1,652,459	(\$535,246)	\$0	(\$535,246)	\$0	\$0	(\$535,246)
Project Contingency	\$867,213	\$1,402,459	(\$535,246)	\$0	(\$535,246)	\$0	\$0	(\$535,246)
Environmental Contingency	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Owner Enabling ("Enabling")	\$137,250	\$400,916	\$538,166	\$0	\$538,166	\$526,606	\$0	\$400,916
Wetlands Mapping	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land Surveying	\$13,500	\$0	\$13,500	\$0	\$13,500	\$13,500	\$0	\$0
Hazardous Materials Survey & Consulting	\$25,000	\$13,045	\$38,045	\$0	\$38,045	\$38,045	\$0	\$13,045
PCB Survey	\$12,500	\$0	\$12,500	\$0	\$12,500	\$940	\$0	\$0
Abatement Monitoring	\$32,500	\$371,099	\$403,599	\$0	\$403,599	\$403,599	\$0	\$371,099
Abatement Plans and Specs	\$3,750	\$9,977	\$13,727	\$0	\$13,727	\$13,727	\$0	\$9,977
Other Testing	\$0	\$3,300	\$3,300	\$0	\$3,300	\$3,300	\$0	\$3,300
Special Inspections and Testing	\$50,000	\$3,494	\$53,494	\$0	\$53,494	\$53,494	\$0	\$3,494
Professional Fees ("Prof Fees")	\$1,498,483	\$186,024	\$1,684,507	\$0	\$1,722,937	\$1,672,680	\$11,827	\$224,454
Architect Fee	\$922,803	\$77,945	\$1,000,748	\$0	\$1,000,748	\$995,786	\$4,962	\$77,945
Owner's Project Manager Fee	\$305,500	\$126,334	\$431,834	\$0	\$431,834	\$424,236	\$7,598	\$126,334
Geotechnical Engineering	\$21,000	\$3,500	\$24,500	\$0	\$24,500	\$24,500	\$0	\$3,500
Traffic/Parking Consultant	\$8,250	\$4,150	\$12,400	\$0	\$12,400	\$12,400	\$0	\$4,150
OSTA AD Application	\$4,000	(\$4,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$4,000)
Threshold Structural Review	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Independent Code Compliance Review	\$11,500	\$3,600	\$15,100	\$0	\$15,100	\$15,100	\$0	\$3,600
FF&E Design	\$137,500	\$0	\$137,500	\$0	\$137,500	\$138,123	(\$623)	\$0
FF&E Install Coordination	inc.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Commissioning	\$49,500	\$12,925	\$62,425	\$0	\$62,425	\$62,535	(\$110)	\$12,925
Technology/FF&E Consultant	\$38,430	(\$38,430)	\$0	\$0	\$38,430	\$0	\$0	\$0
Voice and Data ("V&D")	\$674,000	\$64,799	\$738,799	\$0	\$738,799	\$736,360	\$2,440	\$64,799
Security System (Electronics)	\$125,000	\$79,796	\$204,796	\$0	\$204,796	\$204,331	\$465	\$79,796
Technology, Security Equipment, Communication	\$549,000	(\$14,997)	\$534,003	\$0	\$534,003	\$532,028	\$1,975	(\$14,997)
Furniture Fixtures & Equipment ("FF&E")	\$549,000	\$48,345	\$597,345	\$0	\$597,345	\$599,764	(\$2,419)	(\$303,454)
Playscape Equipment	\$0	\$145,621	\$145,621	\$0	\$145,621	\$150,689	(\$5,068)	\$145,621
Fixtures, Furnishings, and Equipment	\$549,000	(\$97,276)	\$451,724	\$0	\$451,724	\$449,075	\$2,649	(\$449,075)
Other Costs	\$364,216	(\$233,975)	\$106,679	\$0	\$130,241	\$103,765	\$2,914	(\$199,321)
Misc Admin Costs	\$26,000	(\$26,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$26,000)
Reimbursable Costs/Expenses	\$15,000	(\$15,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$15,000)
Town Bonding/Legal Fees	\$80,000	(\$42,500)	\$37,500	\$0	\$37,500	\$37,500	\$0	(\$42,500)
Town Short Term Financing	\$120,000	(\$101,230)	\$18,770	\$0	\$18,770	\$18,770	\$0	(\$101,230)
Utility Fee	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$47,086	\$2,914	\$0
Printing, Mailing, Advertising	\$15,000	(\$14,591)	\$409	\$0	\$409	\$409	\$0	(\$14,591)
Builders Risk Insurance	\$58,216	(\$58,216)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$58,216)
Cleaning	\$0	\$23,562	\$23,562	\$0	\$23,562	\$23,562	\$0	\$23,562
Additional Landscaping	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Relocation	\$20,000	\$46,134	\$66,134	\$0	\$66,134	\$66,134	(\$0)	\$46,134
Moving Expenses	\$20,000	\$46,134	\$66,134	\$0	\$66,134	\$66,134	(\$0)	\$46,134
SOFT COSTS	\$4,360,162	\$141,143	\$3,196,383	\$0	\$3,793,622	\$3,705,308	\$14,762	\$210,367

Johnson Elementary School

BUDGET TRACKING REPORT

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ITEM DESCRIPTION	100% CD Est. /Budget	APPROVED CHANGES	CURRENT CONTRACT	PENDING CHANGES	ESTIMATED FINAL COST	INVOICED TO DATE	INVOICES EXPECTED	DELTA TO BUDGET
GMP Contract					\$33,206,662	\$33,010,699	\$195,963	\$913,201
Total Soft Costs					\$5,412,910	\$5,134,434	\$87,597	-\$702,834
Owner Contingency					\$1,286,371			
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS					\$39,905,943	\$38,145,133	\$283,560	\$210,368
TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET					\$40,171,478			
VARIANCE					\$265,535		96%	
Total Projected Capital Cost		<i>(Budget Fixed @ \$40,171,478)</i>			\$39,905,943			(\$265,535)

ITEM DESCRIPTION	RIZZO Corp GMP (2/5/19)	APPROVED CHANGES	CURRENT CONTRACT	PENDING CHANGES	ESTIMATED FINAL COST	INVOICED TO DATE	INVOICES EXPECTED	DELTA TO BUDGET
GMP ("GMP")	\$32,293,460	\$1,792,118	\$33,206,662	\$0	\$33,206,662	\$33,010,699	\$195,963	\$913,201
Trade Costs	\$29,585,286	\$870,196	\$31,334,398	\$0	\$31,334,398	\$31,196,307	\$138,091	\$1,749,112
CM Contingency	\$887,559	\$878,916	\$8,642	\$0	\$8,642	\$0	\$8,642	(\$878,916)
CM Precon Fee	\$75,000	\$0	\$75,000	\$0	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0	\$0
CM Reimbursable Costs	\$1,098,511	\$0	\$1,098,511	\$0	\$1,098,511	\$1,093,810	\$4,701	\$0
Construction Manager Fee	\$383,547	\$43,005	\$426,553	\$0	\$426,553	\$382,618	\$43,935	\$43,005
Insurance	\$68,348	\$0	\$68,348	\$0	\$68,348	\$68,348	\$0	\$0
State Education Fee	\$8,346	\$0	\$8,346	\$0	\$8,346	\$7,752	\$593	\$0
Performance and Payment Bond	\$186,864	\$0	\$186,864	\$0	\$186,864	\$186,864	\$0	\$0
SUBTOTAL, GMP Costs	\$32,293,460	\$1,792,118	\$33,206,662	\$0	\$33,206,662	\$33,010,699	\$195,963	\$913,201

ITEM DESCRIPTION	FEB 2019 BUDGET	APPROVED CHANGES	CURRENT CONTRACT	PENDING CHANGES	ESTIMATED FINAL COST	INVOICED TO DATE	INVOICES EXPECTED	DELTA TO BUDGET
Owner Contingency	\$1,897,466	\$611,095	\$1,286,371	\$0	\$1,286,371	n/a	\$1,286,371	(\$611,095)
Project Contingency	\$1,647,466	\$444,633	\$1,202,833	\$0	\$1,202,833	\$0	\$0	(\$444,633)
Environmental Contingency	\$250,000	\$166,462	\$83,538	\$0	\$83,538	\$0	\$0	(\$166,462)

ITEM DESCRIPTION	FEB 2019 BUDGET	APPROVED CHANGES	CURRENT CONTRACT	PENDING CHANGES	ESTIMATED FINAL COST	INVOICED TO DATE	INVOICES EXPECTED	DELTA TO BUDGET
Owner Enabling ("Enabling")	\$182,840	\$81,624	\$264,464	\$0	\$264,464	\$249,937	\$0	\$81,624
Wetlands Mapping	\$7,000	(\$7,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$7,000)
Land Survey	\$11,000	\$0	\$11,000	\$0	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$0	\$0
Hazardous Materials Survey & Consulting	\$46,090	\$0	\$46,090	\$0	\$46,090	\$44,063	\$0	\$0
PCB Survey	\$12,500	\$0	\$12,500	\$0	\$12,500	\$0	\$0	\$0
Abatement Monitoring	\$32,500	\$54,810	\$87,310	\$0	\$87,310	\$87,310	\$0	\$54,810
Abatement Plans and Specs	\$3,750	\$3,750	\$7,500	\$0	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$0	\$3,750
Other Testing	\$0	\$22,814	\$22,814	\$0	\$22,814	\$22,814	\$0	\$22,814
Special Inspections and Testing	\$70,000	\$7,249	\$77,249	\$0	\$77,249	\$77,249	\$0	\$7,249
Professional Fees ("Prof Fees")	\$2,370,712	\$264,546	\$2,635,258	\$0	\$2,710,606	\$2,612,140	\$19,618	\$339,894
Architect Fee	\$1,533,264	\$144,825	\$1,678,089	\$0	\$1,678,089	\$1,665,511	\$12,578	\$144,825
Owner's Project Manager Fee	\$374,650	\$173,138	\$547,788	\$0	\$547,788	\$540,882	\$6,906	\$173,138
Geotechnical Engineering	\$21,000	\$0	\$21,000	\$0	\$21,000	\$17,500	\$0	\$0
Traffic Study Engineering	\$8,250	\$0	\$8,250	\$0	\$8,250	\$8,250	\$0	\$0
Stormwater Management Permit App	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0	\$0
OSTA AD Application	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$8,000	\$0	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$0	\$4,000
Threshold Structural Review	\$5,500	\$0	\$5,500	\$0	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$0	\$0
Independent Code Compliance Review	\$21,000	\$3,600	\$24,600	\$0	\$24,600	\$24,600	\$0	\$3,600
FF&E Design	\$257,000	\$3,521	\$260,521	\$0	\$260,521	\$260,521	(\$0)	\$3,521
FF&E Install Coordination	inc.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Commissioning	\$68,200	\$10,810	\$79,010	\$0	\$79,010	\$78,875	\$135	\$10,810
Technology/FF&E Consultant	\$75,348	(\$75,348)	\$0	\$0	\$75,348	\$0	\$0	\$0
Voice and Data ("V&D")	\$1,409,200	(\$318,010)	\$1,091,190	\$0	\$1,091,190	\$1,091,169	\$0	(\$318,010)
Security System (Electronics)	\$250,000	(\$43,760)	\$206,240	\$0	\$206,240	\$206,240	\$0	(\$43,760)
Technology, AV, Communication	\$1,159,200	(\$274,250)	\$884,950	\$0	\$884,950	\$884,930	\$0	(\$274,250)
Furniture Fixtures & Equipment ("FF&E")	\$1,159,200	(\$112,805)	\$1,046,395	\$0	\$1,046,395	\$978,416	\$67,979	(\$578,416)
Playscape Equipment	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$0	\$200,000
Fixtures, Furnishings, and Equipment	\$1,159,200	(\$312,805)	\$846,395	\$0	\$846,395	\$778,416	\$67,979	(\$778,416)
Other Costs	\$413,041	(\$217,212)	\$143,730	\$0	\$234,279	\$136,796	\$7,342	(\$268,902)
Misc Admin Costs	\$26,000	(\$26,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$26,000)
Reimbursable Costs/Expenses	\$20,000	(\$20,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$20,000)
Town Bonding/Legal Fees	\$80,000	(\$17,500)	\$62,500	\$0	\$62,500	\$62,500	\$0	(\$17,500)
Town Short Term Financing	\$135,000	(\$103,770)	\$31,230	\$0	\$31,230	\$31,230	\$0	(\$103,770)
Utility Fee	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$42,658	\$7,342	\$0
Printing, Mailing, Advertising	\$15,000	(\$14,591)	\$0	\$0	\$409	\$409	\$0	(\$14,591)
Builders Risk Insurance	\$87,041	(\$87,041)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$87,041)
Cleaning	\$0	\$51,691	\$51,691	\$0	\$51,691	\$51,691	\$0	\$51,691
Additional Landscaping	\$0	\$38,450	\$38,450	\$0	\$38,450	\$38,450	\$0	\$38,450
Relocation	\$25,000	\$40,977	\$65,977	\$0	\$65,977	\$65,977	\$0	\$40,977
Moving Expenses	\$25,000	\$40,977	\$65,977	\$0	\$65,977	\$65,977	\$0	\$40,977
SOFT COSTS	\$5,559,993	(\$315,691)	\$5,247,013	\$0	\$6,699,281	\$5,134,434	\$87,597	(\$702,834)

Bethel Schools Renovations
Projected Close-out Budget Analysis
 2/4/2022



	Rockwell School	Johnson School	Totals
Revised Overall Budget (OSGR Approved)	\$ 25,659,666	\$ 40,171,479	\$ 65,831,145
Original GMP Construction Cost	\$ 21,431,488	\$ 32,218,460	
Construction Cost 1/31/2022	\$ 22,615,930	\$ 33,237,462	
Contracted Soft Costs 1/31/2022	\$ 3,868,622	\$ 5,487,910	
Current Overall Cost 1/31/2022	\$ 26,484,552	\$ 38,725,372	\$ 65,209,923
PCOs Submitted	\$ 1,863	\$ 40,311	\$ 42,174
Recommend Approval - FFE	\$ 1,863	\$ 40,311	
Recommend Reject			
Pending Review			
PCOs Expected	\$ -	\$ 116,300	\$ 116,300
Restore Roofing Contract Increase		\$ 105,800	
Add Door & Security at Main Lobby		\$ 10,500	
Additional Fee Requests	\$ 94,000	\$ 166,000	\$ 260,000
Perkins Eastman	\$ 34,000	\$ 51,000	
Rizzo Corporation	\$ 60,000	\$ 115,000	
Potential Reductions in Budget Line Items	\$ (2,914)	\$ (8,285)	\$ (11,199)
Utility Costs	\$ (2,914)	\$ (8,285)	
Total Projected Additional Costs	\$ 92,949	\$ 314,326	\$ 407,275
Funds in excess of Referendum Total 1/31/2022			\$ 621,222
Owner Contingency Remaining 1/31/2022	\$ (532,597)	\$ 1,286,371	\$ 753,774
Projected Owner Contingency at Completion			\$ 967,720
CM Contingency Remaining 1/31/2022	\$ 41,326	\$ -	