



Board Briefs



September 22, 2026 Board Meeting

- ❖ Approval of the agenda as listed.
- ❖ Minutes from the August 27, 2026 Board Meeting were approved.

The following Finance/Audit recommendations were approved:

- ❖ Approval of the monthly financial reports and check payment register report for August, 2026.
- ❖ Approval of a purchase order with Vocera Communications, Inc. for the Vocera Messaging System licensing and support at a total cost of \$21,061.10.
- ❖ Approval of a purchase order with Rock the House Entertainment Group for stage, audio and video rental for the 2026-2027 Graduation Ceremony at a total cost of \$25,526.10.
- ❖ Approval of a purchase order to the Northeast Ohio Network for Educational Technology (NEOnet) for software licensing, services, support and internet access for the 2026-2027 school year at an estimated cost of \$186,214.68.
- ❖ Approval of a purchase order to Diesel Direct Central, LLC in the amount of \$120,000.00 for fuel for buses.
- ❖ Approval of a purchase order with the Lake County Sheriff's Office for one district-wide School Resource Officers for the 2026-2027 school year at a cost to Riverside Local Schools of \$117,308.00.
- ❖ Approval of blanket purchase orders in excess of \$15,000 for fiscal year 2027:
 1. Roberts Roofing: \$12,000.00 (total \$22,000.00)
- ❖ Approval of the following grant applications and awards:
 1. Cleveland Construction, Richard G. Small Foundation, in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the CTE Construction Program to fund classroom consumables for the 2026-2027 school year.
- ❖ Approval of Then and Now Certificates over \$3,000 per ORC section 5705.41:
 1. to Fuel Management Consulting, LLC in the amount of \$4,350.00 for annual fuel system management.
 2. to New Avenues to Independence, Inc in the amount of \$3,350.00 for ESY special education services.
 3. to the ESC WR in the amount of \$3,498.00 for ESY special education paraprofessional services.
 4. to the ESC WR in the amount of \$10,573.50 for May and June 2026 Juvenile Detention billing.
 5. to GEO SCI in the amount of \$56,660.00 for soil borings & testing and materials testing for the Buckeye addition.
- ❖ Approval to accept the following donations:
 1. \$1,250.00 from OHSA Athletic Enrichment Fund to Riverside Athletics.
 2. \$5,000.00 from Riverside Band Boosters to the new stadium lights purchase.
 3. \$100.00 to the Riverside Alumni Association from Keith and Ingrid MacDonald in memory of Jacqueline Wolf.

The following Personnel recommendations were approved:

- ❖ Approval of Part-Time School Safety Officers that work on an as needed basis for athletic events, board meeting security and other duties outside of the regular school work hours for the 2026-2027 school year, effective August 1, 2026.
 1. Juan Rodriguez Santiago
 2. John Kelley
 3. Charles Gaylog
- ❖ Approval of Staff to Monitor Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday Academy at the hourly rate of \$27.99 per hour:
 1. Karen Bidlack
 2. Rachel Fenstermaker
 3. Hillary Layman
 4. Anthony Matejcic
 5. Sharma Mudzyn
 6. Natalie Urbas
 7. Jennifer Vennis
 8. Alliefair Vitantonio
- ❖ Approval of district organizational chart.
- ❖ Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) between the Ohio Association of Public School Employees, Local #374 and the Riverside Local School District Board of Education to modify a collective bargaining agreement for the period of August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2028.

Educator Supplementals for 26/27 Resident Educator Program

❖ Alexis Armstrong	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Karina Baldwin	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Kristilyn Bates	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Cody Bizily	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Lyndsey Campeau	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Emma Courtot	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Amanda Craddock	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Gianna Garman	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Marissa Glynos	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Alyssa Knezevich	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Keegan Powell	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Kyle Rebenock	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Francis Sanzo	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Claire Scales		Resident Educator	\$350.00
❖ Shannon Smith	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Emma Tagliamonte	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Sarah Turniski	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Caitlyn Westover	Resident Educator	\$350.00	
❖ Grace Woodcock	Resident Educator	\$350.00	

Mentor Supplementals for 26/27 Resident Educator Program

❖ Michael Caldwell	RE Mentor	\$750.00	
❖ Jody Calhoun	RE Mentor	\$750.00	
❖ Alison Etling	RE Mentor	\$750.00	
❖ Lori Farrar	RE Mentor	\$750.00	
❖ Tana Ford	RE Mentor	\$750.00	
❖ Kim Fularz	RE Mentor	\$750.00	
❖ Michael Gisondo	RE Mentor	\$750.00	
❖ Heather Hopkins	RE Mentor	\$750.00	
❖ Stacey Huberty	RE Mentor	\$1,500.00	2 REs in 26/27; paid \$750 per RE
❖ Kathy Kaschak-Quick	RE Mentor	\$750.00	

❖ Melissa Kleinknecht	RE Mentor	\$1,500.00	2 REs in 26/27; paid \$750 per RE
❖ Lucia Knowles	RE Mentor	\$1,500.00	2 REs in 26/27; paid \$750 per RE
❖ Erin Molder	RE Mentor	\$750.00	
❖ Adrienne Rudolph	RE Mentor	\$750.00	
❖ Amanda Smith	RE Mentor	\$750.00	
❖ Natalie Urbas	RE Mentor	\$750.00	

Retirement

- ❖ Gary Facemyer, Transportation Assistant, effective September 17, 2026.
- ❖ Pamela Lynch, Transportation Assistant, effective December 31, 2026.

Resignation

- ❖ Amber Carlisle, Special Needs Assistant at LaMuth Middle School, effective August 17, 2026.
- ❖ Tami Harpster, Varsity Head Cheer Coach (Fall & Winter) at Riverside Campus, effective September 2, 2026.
- ❖ Hayley Murray, Special Needs Assistant at Riverview Elementary, effective September 4, 2026.
- ❖ Brianna Pettine, Educational Assistant at Riverview Elementary, effective August 28, 2026.
- ❖ Brianna Pettine, Transportation Assistant, effective August 28, 2026.
- ❖ Cheryl Ross, Educational Assistant at Melridge, effective September 11, 2026.
- ❖ Olivia Toth, Cheerleaders JV (Fall & Winter) at Riverside Campus, effective September 2, 2026.

Employment

- ❖ Angel Emlaw, Tutor at Buckeye Elementary, effective September 15, 2026, One-Year Limited Contract.
- ❖ Michael O'Carz, LT Applied Technology at Riverside Campus, Step-1, effective August 17, 2026, One-Year Limited Contract, Correction to salary amount.
- ❖ Keegan Powell, Tutor at LaMuth Middle School, effective September 17, 2026, One-Year Limited Contract.
- ❖ Abigail Campbell, Educational Assistant at Buckeye Elementary, Step-0, effective date TBD, One-Year Limited Contract, Pending background check and Educational Aide Permit.
- ❖ Lisa Eslinger, Educational Assistant at Buckeye Elementary, Step-0, effective October 5, 2026, One-Year Limited Contract.
- ❖ Regina Fedele, Educational Assistant at LaMuth Middle School, Step-0, effective September 3, 2026, One-Year Limited Contract.
- ❖ Joshua Dickson, Maintenance - Districtwide, Step- 6, effective September 21, 2026, One- Year Limited Contract.
- ❖ Caitlyn Goulette, Educational Assistant at Riverview Elementary, Step-0, effective September 16, 2026, One-Year Limited Contract.
- ❖ Molly Llamas, Transportation Assistant - Float, Step-3, effective September 10, 2026, One-Year Limited Contract.
- ❖ Brock Marut, Educational Assistant at Riverview Elementary, Step-2, effective September 15, 2026, One-Year Limited Contract.
- ❖ Brianna Pettine, Transportation Assistant - Float, Step-0, effective August 31, 2026, One-Year Limited Contract.
- ❖ Brianna Pettine, Special Needs Assistant PT at LaMuth Middle School, Step-0, effective August 31, 2026, One-Year Limited Contract.

- ❖ Shayna St. John, Educational Assistant at Parkside Elementary, Step-0, effective September 24, 2026, One-Year Limited Contract, Pending background check and Educational Aide Permit.
- ❖ Ashley Wilson, Transportation Operator - Districtwide, Step-3, effective August 17, 2026, One-Year Limited Contract, Step increase due to Employment Verification retroactive to first day of work.

Transfers:

- ❖ Pamela Hosmer, LT Special Needs Assistant at Parkside Elementary to Special Needs Assistant at Parkside Elementary, effective September 10, 2026.
- ❖ Molly Llamas, Special Needs Assistant at Riverview Elementary to Special Needs Assistant-PT at LaMuth Middle School, effective August 31, 2026.
- ❖ Brianna Pettine, Special Needs Assistant at LaMuth Middle School to Special Needs Assistant at Riverview Elementary, September 10, 2026.

Pay Increase:

- ❖ Erica Adams, Head Custodian at LaMuth Middle School, \$26.96, effective October 1, 2026, \$3.00 an hour premium for Head Custodian duties.
- ❖ Angela Boyer, Accounting Specialist at Central Administration Office, \$77,400.00, effective August 1, 2026, Corrected salary for the 26/27 contract year; was initially approved at \$77,400 (2.60%), which was less than the 3% base given.
- ❖ Desiree Griffiths, Head Custodian at Melridge Elementary, \$25.21, effective October 1, 2026, \$3.00 an hour premium for Head Custodian duties.
- ❖ Lisa Hull, Head Custodian at Riverview Elementary, \$26.58, effective October 1, 2026, \$3.00 an hour premium for Head Custodian duties.
- ❖ Diane Kaiser, Head Custodian at Riverside Campus (RHS), \$27.68, effective October 1, 2026, \$3.00 an hour premium for Head Custodian duties.
- ❖ Ashley Kimmey, Head Custodian at Buckeye Elementary, \$24.71, effective October 1, 2026, \$3.00 an hour premium for Head Custodian duties.
- ❖ Donna Mason, Head Custodian at Riverside Campus (JRW), \$31.19, October 1, 2026, \$3.00 an hour premium for Head Custodian duties.
- ❖ Eddie Mlinaric, Head Custodian at Parkside Elementary, \$30.44, effective October 1, 2026, \$3.00 an hour premium for Head Custodian duties.
- ❖ Elise Riola, EMIS Coordinator at Central Administration Office, \$80,204.00, effective August 1, 2026, Corrected salary for the 26/27 contract year; was initially approved at \$79,900 (2.61%), which was less than the 3% base given.

Supplemental Contracts

❖ Robyn Selent	Academic Decathlon-Director	\$3,987.00	
❖ Kyle Rebenock	Athletic Faculty Mgr. - Fall	\$1,900.00	
❖ William Ross	Athletic Faculty Mgr. - Fall	\$1,900.00	
❖ Camille Cvengros	Athletic Faculty Mgr. - LaMuth	\$3,548.00	
❖ Paul Owens	Basketball-Boys 7th Grade	\$3,548.00	
❖ Edward Reed	Basketball-Boys 8th Grade	\$3,987.00	
❖ David Sanford	Basketball-Boys 9th Grade	\$4,431.00	Pending Background Check and PAP
❖ Matthew Cardina	Basketball-Boys Head Coach	\$9,557.00	
❖ Tim Cardina	Basketball-Boys Varsity Assistant	Volunteer	
❖ Jim Fox	Basketball-Boys Varsity Assistant	Volunteer	
❖ Don Gross	Basketball-Boys Varsity Assistant	\$7,341.00	Pending PAP

❖ Drew Hartmann	Basketball-Boys Varsity Assistant	\$7,341.00	
❖ James Field	Basketball-Girls 7th Grade	\$3,987.00	
❖ Taylor Valaitis	Basketball-Girls 8th Grade	\$3,104.00	
❖ Camille Cvengros	Basketball-Girls 9th Grade	\$3,987.00	
❖ Paul Smith	Basketball-Girls Varsity Assistant	\$6,453.00	
❖ Bailey Brainard	Cheerleaders-JV Fall	\$1,093.00	Prorated Split
❖ Olivia Toth	Cheerleaders-JV Fall	\$679.00	Prorated Split
❖ Bailey Brainard	Cheerleaders-JV Winter	\$1,772.00	
❖ Tami Harpster	Cheerleaders-Varsity Head Fall	\$1,301.00	Prorated Split
❖ Olivia Toth	Cheerleaders-Varsity Head Fall	\$1,914.00	Prorated Split
❖ John Jusko	Football-Varsity Assistant	\$2,366.00	Prorated due to recertification date
❖ Amanda Latta	Gymnastics	Volunteer	
❖ Jessica Stonecipher-Araps	Gymnastics	\$4,431.00	
❖ Sarah Turniski	Soccer-Girls Varsity Assistant	Volunteer	
❖ Bryan Scheider	Swimming- Head Coach	\$4,431.00	
❖ Kathy Babcock	Swimming-Assistant	\$3,987.00	
❖ Trent Babcock	Swimming-Assistant	Volunteer	
❖ Amy Bush	Swimming-Assistant	Volunteer	
❖ Mary Beth White	Swimming-Assistant	\$3,987.00	

Classified/Exempt Substitutes:

❖ Gerald (Chip)Sorber	Educational Assistant	
❖ Rachel Ritz	Latchkey Assistant (PM)	
❖ Devin Sebulski	Latchkey Coordinator	
❖ John Jusko	Maintenance	
❖ Katherine Mullins	Maintenance	
❖ Alyssa Penkowski	Non CDL Transportation Operator	
❖ Brock Marut	Special Needs Assistant	
❖ Cheyanne Gochneaur	Transportation Assistant	
❖ Edward Nemeth	Transportation Operator	Pending Background Check

The following Curriculum and Programming recommendations were approved:

- ❖ Approval of the following Parent Organizations and Support Organizations for the 2026-2027 school year per policies 9210 and 9211 due to the respective organizations complying with board policy and submitting the required documents to the board:

Parent Organizations:

Riverview Elementary PTO
LaMuth AMSCO PTO
Buckeye Elementary PTA
Parkside Elementary PTO
Melridge Elementary PTO

Support Organizations:

Riverside Boys Soccer Club
Riverside Girls Soccer Boosters
Courtside Club
XC Beaver Boosters
Riverside Girls Lacrosse
Riverside Flying R Track Booster Club
Riverside Boys Lacrosse
Painesville Township Band Boosters (dba Riverside Band Boosters)
Riverside Rebounders
Riverside Wrestling Club
RBI Club
Riverside Volleyball Boosters
RHS Gridiron Club

- ❖ Approval of the 2027 Sixth Grade Outdoor Education Program scheduled for May 19-21, 2027 at Camp Whitewood in Windsor, OH.
- ❖ Approval of the Riverside Varsity Softball Team trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina scheduled for March 22-March 26, 2027 during Spring Break. There will be no cost to the Board of Education.

- ❖ Approval of a Standard Sponsorship Agreement between University Hospitals Health System, Inc. and Riverside Local School District for the Riverside Local School District Athletic Sponsorship, effective August 1, 2026 through July 31, 2029.
- ❖ Approval of a Sports Medicine Services Agreement between University Hospitals – Lake Hospital System Inc. and Riverside Local School District for athletic training, team physician, and related sports medicine services, effective August 1, 2026.

The following Buildings and Grounds/Operations recommendations were approved:

- ❖ Approval of a purchase order to GEO SCI Consultants and Laboratories for materials testing for the Buckeye Elementary addition in the amount of \$56,660.00.

The following Board of Education Business recommendations were approved:

- ❖ Approval of Belinda Grassi as delegate and Joseph Audino as alternate to the 2026 OSBA Annual Business Meeting at the Capital Conference on Monday, November 16, 2026.

Executive Session:

- ❖ Approval to enter into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing (1) the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official. Riverside Local School District Board of Education hereby designates all matters discussed in this executive session as strictly confidential and finds that this designation is warranted because of the status of this matter and the need to preserve confidentiality to properly conduct the business of this Board of Education.

This ends all official action by the Board of Education.

Next Meeting: Board Retreat - October 3, 2026 7:00 a.m.

Finance and Personnel Committee Meeting - October 15, 2026 7:00 a.m.

Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting - October 20, 2026 7:30 a.m.

Curriculum and Programs Committee Meeting - October 21, 2026 7:30 a.m.

Board of Education Meeting - October 22, 2026 6:00 p.m.