

West Essex Regional School District Board of Education Meeting

December 13, 2021



Reports

- Board President - Mary Wojtowicz
- Superintendent - Damion Macioci
- Assistant Principals - Julie Hoebee and Lisa Tamburri
- Director of Curriculum - Ryan Gupta
- Middle School Principal - Gina Donlevie
- High School Principal - Caesar Diliberto

Superintendent's Report

- COVID-19 Weekly Activity Report
- Week of December 4 - community transmission level = high
- Enhanced protocols as per NJDOH
- School Physician, District Nurses, & Public Health Department
- District Planning Team - meeting December 13

Enhanced Protocols

- Unvaccinated close contacts will be excluded from school for 14 days without a test (individuals are permitted to provide negative test results collected at 6-8 days and return on day 10 - **currently day 8**).
- Vaccinated close contacts must get tested at 5-7 days after exposure (quarantine is not required while waiting for test results).
- Unvaccinated individuals must self-quarantine for 10 days after domestic travel without a test. Individuals are permitted to get tested 3-5 days after travel and provide negative test results to return on day 8 - **currently no earlier than day 4** (NY, PA, and DE excluded).
- Unvaccinated/Vaccinated individuals who have been diagnosed with COVID-19 in the past 90 days do not need to be excluded from school.
- ***All tests must be PCR/Molecular (rapid antigen tests are not accepted for testing out of quarantine).***

Progress Towards District Goals

2021-2022

Goal #1: Using Data to Improve Student Outcomes

Goal #2: Improve School Culture and Climate

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Goal #1: Using Data to Improve Student Outcomes

- Re-established school-wide and district-wide Data Teams
- Partnered with an outside consultant, [Teach4Results](#), on how data can be used to improve teaching and learning
- Trained staff on data-driven instruction in the summer, during staff development days, and MS team meetings (8/17, 8/18, 10/5, 11/15)
- Provided staff with the data program, [LinkIt](#), that effectively and efficiently collects, stores, and analyzes various forms of student data
- Administered standards-aligned pre-assessments to measure student growth in all grades and content areas
- Providing ongoing guidance, support, and PLC time for our staff to analyze data and use the results to inform instruction and assessment

Goal #2: Improve School Culture and Climate

- Partnered with outside consultant on school culture and climate (Saint Elizabeth University - SEU)
- Re-established/re-organized culture and climate committees
- Provided staff with training and guidance (SEU) - 9/1, 10/1, and 10/11
- Surveyed stakeholders (parents, students, and staff) November 2-8, 2021
- SEU met with building-based committees to discuss next steps - 12/7

Harassment, Intimidation, & Bullying Report

Juliann Hoebee and Luisa Tamburri

September 2021 – December 2021

HIB Protected Classes			Reported Cases		Founded		Pending
	High School		4		3		0
	Middle School		2		0		1
	Race	X	Color		Religion		
Type/ Nature of Discipline	Gender		Sexual Orientation	X	Mental, physical sensory disability or other distinguishing characteristics		
	Counseling	X	Social Probation		X	Report to Police	X
	Suspension	X	Remediation Measures		X	Written Assessments	X

Director of Curriculum's Report

Ryan Gupta

Assessment Report

- Test Dates
- NJ Start Strong Results
- ACT Results

LOCAL, STATE, AND NATIONAL TEST DATES 2021-2022 School Year

SAT	March 12, May 7, June 4
ACT	February 12, April 2, June 11, July 16
LinkIt - Math, ELA	Form A: September/October (Pre-assessment) Form B: January/February (Mid-year growth) Form C: April/May (End-of-year growth)
NJGPA - Math, ELA (Juniors Only)	March 14 - March 18
NJSLA - Math, ELA	Testing Window: April 25 - June 3
NJSLA - Science	Testing Window: April 25 - June 3
AP	May - June (based on AP course)

For more details, follow this link to our [Assessment Schedule](#) on the district website



West Essex 2021 Start Strong Results

English Language Arts/Literacy



Grade Level	Strong Support May Be Needed (Level 1)	Some Support May Be Needed (Level 2)	Less Support May Be Needed (Level 3)
Grade 7	15%	21%	64%
Grade 8	17%	15%	68%
Grade 9	16%	16%	68%
Grade 10	16%	19%	65%



West Essex 2021 Start Strong Results

Mathematics



Grade Level/ Course	Strong Support May Be Needed (Level 1)	Some Support May Be Needed (Level 2)	Less Support May Be Needed (Level 3)
Grade 7	17%	37%	46%
Grade 8	33%	44%	23%
Algebra I	50%	39%	11%
Geometry	32%	32%	36%
Algebra II	13%	24%	63%



West Essex 2021 Start Strong Results

Science



Grade Level	Strong Support May Be Needed (Level 1)	Some Support May Be Needed (Level 2)	Less Support May Be Needed (Level 3)
Grade 9	21%	51%	28%
Grade 12	29%	24%	47%



West Essex ACT Results

Reading/Writing, Mathematics



Classes of/ Subject	2017	2018	2019	2020	¹ 2021
English	23.8	25.2	24.9	24.3 (NJ - 24.5)	25.8 (NJ - 25.3)
Reading	24.0	25.3	25.0	24.5 (NJ - 24.7)	25.7 (NJ - 25.7)
Mathematics	23.9	24.7	24.4	23.8 (NJ - 24.0)	24.7 (NJ - 24.7)
Science	22.8	24.2	23.7	23.0 (NJ - 23.7)	24.6 (NJ - 24.4)
Composite	23.7	25.0	24.7	24.0 (NJ - 24.4)	25.3 (NJ - 25.1)

¹Scores represent the 111 West Essex students from the Class of 2021 who took the ACT at any time during their HS years. For students who took the exam more than once, only their most recent score was used.

MS Principal's Report

Gina Donlevie

1. Bobby Lenoy Dodgeball Tournament
2. TREP\$ Marketplace
3. Lunch Studies
4. 8th Grade Trip (April 8)
5. 7th Grade Trip (May 3)
6. Winter Concerts

HS Principal's Report

Caesar Diliberto

Congratulations ShopRite STARS:

Academics - Maria Kardash

Athletics - Halle Aschenbach

The Arts - Tiana Pimintel

Leadership - Victoria Perez

Service to the Community - Noah Khalil

Senior athletes who have committed to playing in college:

Abby Azzinnari, Halle Aschenbach, Carly Iacullo, Hannah Marcotrigiano,
Gianna Puorro, Alexandra Shizas, Molly Simon

Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio Play

Turkey Classic

Orchestra, Band & Choir Concerts

West Essex is participating in two charity drives:

- Angelwish Foundation - online donations for ill children all over the world
- Annual Holiday Toy Drive



Upcoming Board Meeting

Next Board Meeting

January 5, 2022 - 7:00 pm - WEHS AUDITORIUM

[West Essex Youtube](#)

For Board Information:

https://www.westex.org/district/board_of_education