

**PRELIMINARY BULLETIN**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE OTTO-ELDRED SCHOOL BOARD**  
**Otto-Eldred Elementary School - Technology Center**  
**Tuesday, April 14, 2026 / 6:30 p.m.**



**I. Pledge of Allegiance**

**II. Roll Call**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

**IV. Public Comment**

A. Mrs. Perry would like to present a brief overview of her STEM class.

**V. Treasurer's Report**

**VI. Approval of Bill List**

**VII. Cafeteria Report**

**VIII. Schedule of Accounts**

**IX. Athletic Fund Report**

**X. Administrative Reports**

**XI. Old Business**

A. Policy Updates

1. The following policy updates have been uploaded to the April online board folder for review.

- 140 Charter Schools
- 221 Dress and Grooming (students)
- 236.1 Threat Assessment
- 325 Dress and Grooming (employees)
- 332 Working Periods
- 619 District Audit
- 810 Transportation

B. 2026-2027 Budget Planning Update

1. The Board will be updated on the 2026-2027 budget planning process.
2. Mr. Splain worked with the board's compensation committee to provide recommendations for salaries for staff in 2026-2027. The recommendation is provided.
3. The 2026-2027 Tentative Staffing Plan will be shared. The board may be prepared to take action on positions based on current planning.
4. Mrs. Flexman will provide an update on fund balances in all accounts. The board may be provided a recommendation to transfer funds based upon board discussion.

**XII. New Business**

A. Personnel

1. Mr. Splain will provide an update on the process to identify a Certified School Nurse candidate to recommend for approval.

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2. Mr. Splain has verified that emergency-certified staff have made adequate progress toward completion of coursework for certification. All are recommended to continue in their current positions:
  - School Counselors: Kera Hendershot
  - HS Science Teachers: Jared Dickerson
3. The following list of individuals are recommended as Substitutes for the remainder of the 2025-2026 School Year, contingent upon receipt of all clearances and necessary documentation.
  - Substitute Custodian: Dennis Mong
  - Substitute Teacher: Carter Wolfe
4. Mr. Splain will update the board on any other personnel recommendations that may require board attention.

**B. Summer Employment**

1. Mr. Splain recommends your approval for the following individuals to fill the Summer Positions:
  - Summer Food Positions (June - July 2026)
    - Anna Schiesl (Cook), Jean Magnano (Monitor)
  - Summer Maintenance Positions (June - August 2026)
    - Chad Obernader, Dennis Mong

**C. Volunteers**

1. The following individuals are recommended as volunteers and perform as "Artists in Residence" with Jazz Band this school year.
  - Katie Jo Barrett, Mackenzie Miller, Billy Clayson

**D. 2026-2027 Seneca Highlands IU9 Proposed General Operating Budget**

1. Please consider the proposed 2026-2027 Seneca Highlands IU9 General Operating Budget. Mr. Splain and Mrs. Flexman recommend your approval. Board members must vote via ballot.

**E. 2026-2027 Seneca Highlands CTC Proposed General Operating Budget**

1. Please consider the proposed 2026-2027 Seneca Highlands CTC General Operating Budget. Mr. Splain and Mrs. Flexman recommend your approval. Board members must vote via ballot.

**F. End-of-Year Activities**

1. Mr. Nick LaBella will discuss initial planning for the Class of 2026 Awards and Graduation ceremony.

**G. Field Trips/Conferences:**

1. Mr. Splain recommends the approval of the following Field Trips/Conferences:
  - Livestock Tour / Pick Up
    - Date: 04/15/26
    - Location: Lazy Hog Farm / Penn State
    - Teacher/Advisor: Witmer/Gould
    - Students: 8
    - Total Estimated Cost: \$343.20

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- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip
  - Date: 05/21/26
  - Location: WWII Museum
  - Teacher/Advisor: Blauser/Rosenswie
  - Students: 36
  - Total Estimated Cost: N/A

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- 2nd Grade Field Trip
  - Date: 05/22/26
  - Location: Hidden Valley Animal Adventure Park, Varysburg, NY
  - Teacher/Advisor: 6, Archer/Givan/TBD
  - Students: 35
  - Total Estimated Cost: \$413.15

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- Students in Nature Experiences (Mr. Splain will share details)
  - Dates: April – May (TBD)
  - Location: Outdoors (TBD)
  - Total Estimated Cost: \$500-\$1000 (Grant Funded)

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- Senior Walk
  - Date: 05/28/26
  - Location: Elementary School
  - Teacher/Advisor: Jackson (+2)
  - Students: 45
  - Total Estimated Cost: \$43.00

H. Agreements / Sponsorship / Resolutions

1. Mr. Splain recommends approval of the following service agreements:
  - 2026-2027 OESD-UPMC Cole Athletic Trainer Agreement
  - 2026-2027 D9 North Basketball Assignor Contract
  - 2026-2027 Dickinson Center Linkage Agreement
  - 2026-2027 IU9 Education Technology & Special Education Pool-Counsel Contract
  - 2026-2027 PA School-Based ACCESS Program Agreement (SBAP)
2. The Eldred WWII Museum sent a sponsorship request for their annual golf tournament. A \$100 hole sponsor was provided last year. Our 6<sup>th</sup> grade and high school classes visit the museum each year and they do not charge admission for our students. A \$100 hole sponsor is recommended again this year.
3. A required Affirmation is prepared, as submitted will approve the current structure for 4-year-old programming: a combination of K4 and Pre-School. This allows for PreK Counts programming and funding.
4. Mr. Splain will share two resolutions for board consideration.
  - PSBA State Budget Resolution for an on-time budget and a budget that addresses inadequate funding for public education.
  - The Coalition of Boundary Superintendents has prepared a Resolution in support of House Bill 41 and Senate Bill 1253. These bills would allow PIAA to hold separate championships for boundary and non-boundary schools.

I. 2026 PSBA Delegate Assembly

1. Mr. Splain recommends the approval of Cynthia Murphy as our PSBA Delegate for the 2026-2027 school year.