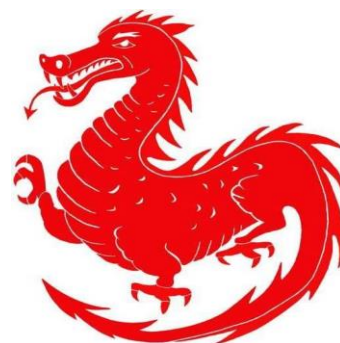


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**NILES CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NILES CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**NILES INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL  
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**Tuesday, March 19, 2024**

[www.nilescityschools.org](http://www.nilescityschools.org)

**6:00 PM Regular Board Meeting**

**AGENDA**



*Our Mission Statement--The mission of the Niles City School District is to instruct a defined curriculum in a safe, educational environment. The district will ensure the opportunity for all students to become responsible learners, critical thinkers, and problem solvers as productive members of a democratic society.*

*Our Vision Statement--To continually prepare students and staff for technological advancements. To maintain a positive, cohesive school community which encompasses the board, administration, staff members, students, parents or guardians, and all school volunteers. To establish and sustain a collaborative relationship with the community. To unify instruction within the Niles City Schools through the continuous development and use of curriculum guides in the best educational environment.*

This is a public meeting of the Niles City Board of Education for the purpose of conducting the school district's business. This is not to be considered a community meeting. Time has been allotted for public participation during the meeting as indicated.

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Roll Call**

\_\_\_\_\_ Chieffo    \_\_\_\_\_ Lamb    \_\_\_\_\_ McMahon    \_\_\_\_\_ Perrone    \_\_\_\_\_ Barrell

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Moment of Reflection**

**5. Adopt the Agenda**

\_\_\_\_\_ Chieffo    \_\_\_\_\_ Lamb    \_\_\_\_\_ McMahon    \_\_\_\_\_ Perrone    \_\_\_\_\_ Barrell

**6. Approve the Minutes for the following meetings**

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|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| ● February 20, 2024 | Regular Board of Education Meeting |
| ● February 23, 2024 | Special Board of Education Meeting |
| ● February 28, 2024 | Special Board of Education Meeting |
| ● March 12, 2024    | Special Board of Education Meeting |

\_\_\_\_\_ *Chieffo*    \_\_\_\_\_ *Lamb*    \_\_\_\_\_ *McMahon*    \_\_\_\_\_ *Perrone*    \_\_\_\_\_ *Barrell*

**7. Recommendations, Commendations, and/or Presentations**

- Therapy Dog Presentation—Dr. Leah Marsh
- Special Recognition—Traci Kempe, Marc Fritz, Office Steve Corll

**8. Board Committee Reports**

**9. Communications to the Niles City Board of Education**

- a. Written Communications
- b. Public Comments

According to the Niles City School District Board Policy (0169.1), the Niles City Board of Education recognizes the value to school governance of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest.

The presiding officer shall be guided by the following rules:

- a. Public participation shall be permitted as indicated on the order of business, before the Board takes official action on any issue of substance, and/or at the discretion of the presiding officer.
- b. Anyone having a legitimate interest in the actions of the Board may participate during the public portion of a meeting.
- c. Attendees must register their intention to participate in the public portion of the meeting upon their arrival at the meeting.
- d. Participants must be recognized by the presiding officer and will be requested to preface their comments by an announcement of their name, address, and group affiliation, if and when appropriate.
- e. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three (3) minutes duration, unless extended by the presiding officer. Public participation shall be limited to fifteen (15) minutes total per board meeting.
- f. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic unless all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.
- g. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question Board members individually.

Please note that Public Comments is not a time for dialogue with the Board of Education. It is an opportunity to share a comment with the Board of Education. In addition, by law, administrators and Board of Education members are not permitted to publicly discuss personnel matters, student discipline, or other issues requiring confidentiality. While we may not respond to comments, all input shared with the Board of Education is taken very seriously, and will inform future deliberations and work by the Board of Education and its committees.

**10. Treasurer's Business Recommendations**

- a. Approve the Financial Reports for February 2024, as previously distributed:
  - Bank Reconciliation
  - Budget vs Actual
  - Cash Position
  - Check Register
  - Encumbrance Status

● Hilltop Investments

\_\_\_\_\_ *Chieffo* \_\_\_\_\_ *Lamb* \_\_\_\_\_ *McMahon* \_\_\_\_\_ *Perrone* \_\_\_\_\_ *Barrell*

- b. Approve the resolution accepting the amount and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor, as previously distributed.

**SCHEDULE A**  
**SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY BUDGET COMMISSION**  
**AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATED TAX RATES**

FUND	Amount Approved by Budget Commission Inside 10 M. Limitation	Amount to Be Derived From Levies Outside 10 M. Limitation	County Estimate Rate to be	Auditor's of Tax Levied
			Inside 10 M. Limit	Outside 10 M. Limit
	Column I	Column II	Column III	Column IV
General Fund	1,795,385	4,755,944	5.70	31.05
Bond Retirement Funds				
Bond Retirement Funds		1,370,162		4.35
Bond Retirement Funds		188,988		0.60
Emergency Levy Fund		1,338,664		4.25
Emergency Levy Fund		1,338,664		4.25
Classroom Facilities Fund		111,478		0.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,795,385</b>	<b>9,103,901</b>	<b>5.70</b>	<b>45.00</b>

**TOTAL MILLAGE      50.70**

\_\_\_\_\_ *Chieffo* \_\_\_\_\_ *Lamb* \_\_\_\_\_ *McMahon* \_\_\_\_\_ *Perrone* \_\_\_\_\_ *Barrell*

- c. Approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATE(S) FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2024 (R.C. Section 5705.41)**

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D) states in part that no orders or contracts involving the expenditure of money are to be made unless there is a certificate of the fiscal officer that the amount required for the order or contract has been lawfully appropriated and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.41(D) permits the use of a “Then and Now Certificate” as an allowable exception to the above requirement provided the fiscal officer can certify that both at the time that the contract or order was made and at the time that she is completing her certification, sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance, the taxing authority can authorize the drawing of a warrant by resolution.

Mathews Local School District, \$9,825.82 (Preschool Student Excess Costs for 2022-2023 school year)

\_\_\_\_\_ *Chieffo* \_\_\_\_\_ *Lamb* \_\_\_\_\_ *McMahon* \_\_\_\_\_ *Perrone* \_\_\_\_\_ *Barrell*

**11. Superintendent's Personnel Recommendations**

**A. Resignations, Retirements, Non-Renewals**

**Certified**

1. Non-Renew all Home Instructor Contracts and Substitute School Nurse Contracts, effective at the end of the 2023-2024 school year. These individuals shall be given the required written notice by the Treasurer prior to April 30, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_ *Chieffo* \_\_\_\_\_ *Lamb* \_\_\_\_\_ *McMahon* \_\_\_\_\_ *Perrone* \_\_\_\_\_ *Barrell*

**Classified**

2. Non-Renew the following Substitute Contracts effective at the end of the 2023-2024 school year. These individuals shall be given the required written notice by the Treasurer prior to April 30, 2024:

- Substitute Bus Drivers
- Substitute Cafeteria Helpers
- Substitute Custodial Helpers
- Substitute Educational Assistants
- Substitute Secretaries

\_\_\_\_\_ *Chieffo* \_\_\_\_\_ *Lamb* \_\_\_\_\_ *McMahon* \_\_\_\_\_ *Perrone* \_\_\_\_\_ *Barrell*

**B. Employment of Personnel/Salary Adjustments**

**Classified**

1. Approve the following transfers:

- Tina Bellino from Assistant Cook, 2 hours per day at Niles McKinley High School to Assistant Cook, 3 hour per day at Niles Middle School, effective March 4, 2024.
- Jesse Hardin, Jr. from Special Education Assistant at Niles Primary School to Special Education Assistant at Niles McKinley High School, effective April 2, 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_ *Chieffo* \_\_\_\_\_ *Lamb* \_\_\_\_\_ *McMahon* \_\_\_\_\_ *Perrone* \_\_\_\_\_ *Barrell*

2. Employ the following individuals as Classified Substitutes on an "as needed" basis for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year:

- Robert Cibella, Substitute Custodial Helper (pending successful BCII & FBI background checks)

\_\_\_\_\_ *Chieffo* \_\_\_\_\_ *Lamb* \_\_\_\_\_ *McMahon* \_\_\_\_\_ *Perrone* \_\_\_\_\_ *Barrell*

**RESOLUTION TO EMPLOY A NON-LICENSED INDIVIDUAL  
FOR COACHING OR DIRECTING PUPIL-ACTIVITY PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Niles City Board of Education has posted supplemental positions as being available to employees of the district who hold educator licenses, and no such employee meeting all of the Board's qualifications has applied for, been offered, and accepted such positions, and

WHEREAS, the Niles City Board of Education then advertised these positions as being available to

licensed individuals not employed by this District, and no such person meeting all of the Board’s qualifications has applied for, been offered, and accepted such positions,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following non-licensed individual(s) be employed as indicated:

**Supplemental**

3. Approve the appointment of the following individuals in their respective activity and/or athletic supplemental positions, for the 2023-2024 school year, and grant each a One-Year Personal Service Contract, as per the NEA Master Contract:

<u>Athletic Positions</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>% of the base salary</u>
Volunteer Baseball	Nicholas Guarnieri	Volunteer

\_\_\_\_\_ Chieffo    \_\_\_\_\_ Lamb    \_\_\_\_\_ McMahon    \_\_\_\_\_ Perrone    \_\_\_\_\_ Barrell

**12. Superintendent's Business Recommendations**

- a. Approve the resolution declaring transportation impractical for the 2023-2024 school year, as previously distributed.

\_\_\_\_\_ Chieffo    \_\_\_\_\_ Lamb    \_\_\_\_\_ McMahon    \_\_\_\_\_ Perrone    \_\_\_\_\_ Barrell

- b. Set the location of the Regular Board of Education meeting scheduled for April as follows:

Time: 6:00 PM  
Date: April 16, 2024  
Place: Niles Middle School

\_\_\_\_\_ Chieffo    \_\_\_\_\_ Lamb    \_\_\_\_\_ McMahon    \_\_\_\_\_ Perrone    \_\_\_\_\_ Barrell

**13. Adjourn at: \_\_\_\_\_ PM**

\_\_\_\_\_ Chieffo    \_\_\_\_\_ Lamb    \_\_\_\_\_ McMahon    \_\_\_\_\_ Perrone    \_\_\_\_\_ Barrell

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

March 22, 2024	Last Day of Classes—Spring Break
April 2, 2024	Classes Resume
April 8, 2024	Early Release Day K-12, No Preschool—Total Solar Eclipse

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MARCH 2024							APRIL 2024							MAY 2024						
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