

**NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT**

INFORMATION ONLY: PERSONNEL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT October 24, 2022

RETIREMENT – Teacher:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Martha Combs	Foreign Language Betsy Ross Arts Magnet School Inter-District Funds 27041755-50115	06/30/2023

RESIGNATION- Teacher:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Lara Aniskoff	Science ESUMS General Funds 19041417-50115	10/07/2022
Paul Morrell	Physical Education Wilbur Cross High School General Funds 19040361-50115	10/05/2022
Adina Ness	Special Education Gateway General Funds 19049000-50115	08/02/2022
Bianca Raucci	Speech and Hearing Hillhouse High School General Funds 19049298-50115	10/21/2022
Tressa Vantassell-Testroet	Kindergarten Conte-West Hills Magnet School General Funds 19041031-50115	11/04/2022
Breanna Wajnowski	Math COOP Arts & Humanities High School General Funds 19041164-50115	10/21/2022

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Christina Zaino	Grade 3 Barack Obama Magnet School ESSER II 25526363-28-50115	07/18/2022
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RESIGNATION – Paraprofessional Staff:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Geoconda Berrios	Grade 1 Assistant Teacher Jepson Magnet School Inter-District Funds 27041018-50128	10/27/2022

RESIGNATION – Non-Instructional Staff:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Travis Gale	Head Coach – Indoor Track Wilbur Cross High School General Funds 19040400-50117	10/3/2022

TRANSFER – Executive Management:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Heather O’Grady	Senior Personnel Analyst City of New Haven	Senior Personnel Analyst Gateway General Funds 19045100-50110	10/27/2022

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TRANSFER OF FUNDING SOURCES – Teachers:

Name	Current Funding Source	New Funding Source
Joseph Ferreira	190 420 61-50115	2547-6108-50115
Richard Natlo	190 403 08-50115	2547-6108-50115
Sean Portley	2547-6108-50115	2579-5319-50115
Joseph Raffone	2547-6108-50115	2579-5319-50115
Alicia Rosenbloom	2531-5256-50115	190 420 46-50115
Dana Sherwonit	190 403 17-50115	2547-6108-50115
Heather Toothaker	190 420 98-50115	2547-6107-50115

TRANSFER OF FUNDING SOURCES – Non-Instructional Staff:

Name	Current Funding Source	New Funding Source
Tanisha Hill	2547-6108-50110	2547-6108-50124
Jocelyn Saucedo	2547-6108-50124	2547-6107-50124
Velessie Shoulders	2547-6107-50118	2547-6106-50118

CORRECTION/CHANGE ITEMS:

The following items are previous Board Actions approved. The action items below represent all the necessary changes and/or corrections.

CORRECTION CHANGE IN START DATE—Teacher:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Eric Daley	TBD	Rescinded

**Dr. Iline Tracey, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools**



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

CONNECTICUT

Board of Education Meeting Minutes
October 11, 2022 via Zoom

I. Called to Order	The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm by President, Yesenia Rivera.
Board Members Present	<p>Ms. Yesenia Rivera, President Mr. Matthew Wilcox, Vice President Dr. Edward Joyner, Secretary Mayor Justin Elicker Dr. OrLando Yarborough III Mr. Darnell Goldson Dr. Abie Benitez Ma'Shai Roman, Student Board Member Mr. Dave Cruz-Bustamante, Student Board Member</p>
Others Present	<p>Dr. Iline Tracey – Superintendent, NHPS Attorney Alexaides – Corporation Counsel, City of New Haven</p>
<p>156-22 Agenda Amendment</p>	<p>On the Motion by President Rivera, seconded by Dr. Joyner to amend the agenda to add</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Executive Session pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. § 1-200(6)(B) and 1-201 (B) 9 &10 Regarding Records, Reports and Statements of Strategy or Negotiations with respect to the Collective Bargaining and Records of Communications Privilege by the Attorney Client Privilege or Relationship. 2. Re: discussion or possible action on matters during the Executive Session <p>Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Ms. Rivera yes; Ms. Roman, yes; Mr. Cruz-Bustamante, yes. (Passed)</p>
<p>i. 157 – 22 Approval of Board Minutes – September 26, 2022</p>	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to approve the amended minutes for September 26, 2022 seconded by Dr. Joyner.</p> <p>Mayor Elicker, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Ms. Rivera yes; Ms. Roman, yes; Mr. Cruz-Bustamante, yes. (passed)</p>



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Board of Education Meeting Minutes

October 11, 2022 via Zoom

<p>i 158-22 Personnel Report Dr. Iline Tracey</p>	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox to approve the Action Items of the Superintendent’s Personnel’s Report, seconded by Dr. Joyner.</p> <p>Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Yarborough, yes; Ms. Roman, yes; Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Cruz-Bustamante, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Ms. Rivera yes. (passed)</p>
<p>iv. 159-22 Proposed Tiered Signing Bonuses/Before and After School Pay Rate Dr. Iline Tracey</p> <p>160-22</p>	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox, seconded by Dr. Benitez, to approve Dr. Tracey proposed tiered signing bonus as well as the before/after school extended day program pay rate.</p> <p><u>Restated motion</u> On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox seconded by Dr. Benitez, to amend the prior motion to give authorization to Dr Tracey and her team the authority to implement the tier signing bonus until January 31, 2023 as well as the before and after school extended day program pay rate.</p> <p>Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Cruz-Bustamante, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Ms. Rivera yes. (passed)</p>
<p>iii. 161-22 Action of Teaching and Learning Overnight Trips <i>Dr. Edward Joyner</i></p>	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Joyner seconded by Mr. Wilcox to approve 2 domestic overnight school trips for October - Worthington Hooker and Sound School.</p> <p>Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Cruz-Bustamante, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Ms. Rivera yes. (passed)</p>
<p>iv. 162 - 22 Second Reading and Possible Action of AP Course Policy Review</p>	<p>On the Motion by Dr. Benitez seconded by Dr. Joyner to approve 2nd reading of the AP Course Policy Review.</p> <p>Dr. Yarborough, yes; Mayor Elicker, yes; Mr. Wilcox, yes; Dr. Benitez, yes; Dr. Joyner, yes; Mr. Cruz-Bustamante, yes; Mr. Goldson, yes; Ms. Rivera yes. (passed)</p>
<p>v. 163-22 Finance and Operations Committee – Mr. Matthew Wilcox</p>	<p>On the Motion by Mr. Wilcox seconded Dr. Yarborough by to approve 11 Agreements, 1 Contracts and 10 Abstracts and 3 Purchase Orders as recommended by the F & O Committee. <u>Prior motion restated due to member abstention</u></p>



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
New Haven, Connecticut

NEW HAVEN BOARD OF EDUCATION FINANCE & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, October 17, 2022

MINUTES

Present: Mr. Matthew Wilcox, Dr. Orlando Yarborough, Ms. Yesenia Rivera
Staff: Dr. Paul Whyte, Dr. Michael Finley, Ms. Patricia DeMaio, Ms. Linda Hannans,
Ms. Typhanie Jackson, Ms. Cynthia Scheetz, Ms. Michelle Bonora, Attorney Elias Alexiades

Call to Order: Mr. Wilcox called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

Summary of Motions:

1. **Recommend Approval of Action Items:** A motion by Mr. Wilcox, seconded by Dr. Yarborough, to Recommend Approval of 2 Abstracts and 4 Agreements, passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote: Dr. Yarborough, Yes; Ms. Rivera, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes.
2. **Motion to add a discussion item to Agenda:** A motion by Mr. Wilcox, seconded by Dr. Yarborough to add the East Rock Sports Complex as a discussion item on the agenda, passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote: Ms. Rivera, Yes; Dr. Yarborough, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes
3. **Motion to Adjourn:** A motion by Mr. Wilcox, seconded by Dr. Yarborough to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m., passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote: Dr. Yarborough, Yes; Ms. Rivera, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes.

I. INFORMATION ONLY & ACTION ITEMS:

A. INFORMATION ONLY: Committee members did not have questions about the following Information Only items approved by the Superintendent:

1. Agreement with Stages Learning to provide in-person professional development on the ARIS Stages kits and curriculum for 24 special education classrooms, from October 12, 2022 to June 30, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00.
Funding Source: ARP – IDEA Program **Acct. #2554-6404-56903-0490**
Presenter: Ms. Typhanie Jackson **Document Link:** StagesLearn
2. Agreement with Eli Whitney Museum to provide science project workshops for staff and students at L.W. Beecher School, from October 24, 2022 to June 1, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$17,958.00.
Funding Source: ARP ESSER III C/O Program **Acct. #2553-6399-56694-0003**
Presenter: Ms. Kathy Russell Beck **Document Link:** EliWhitney
3. Agreement with Buck Institute for Education to provide a professional development program on Project Based Learning for staff at East Rock School, from August 22, 2022 to August 22, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$7,725.00.

Funding Source:	Magnet 17-22 East Rock C/O Program	Acct. #2517-6259-56694-0046
Presenter:	Ms. Sabrina Breland	Document Link: Buck

B. ABSTRACTS:

1. FIRST Robotic Competition Grant in the amount of \$6,250.00 for July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 was presented by Ms. Scheetz. Committee members commended Ms. Scheetz for her dedication to the project.
Funding Source: Connecticut State Department of Education
2. ENGAGE Program/Skills Up Grant in the amount of \$20,500.00 for July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 was presented by Ms. Bonora who answered questions about the program.
Funding Source: Workforce Alliance

C. AGREEMENTS:

1. Agreement with Literacy Volunteers of Greater New Haven to provide free basic literacy and ESOL services to adults from Greater New Haven under the State Adult Education Cooperating Eligible Entity Program, from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$ 80,977.00 was presented by Ms. Bonora.
Funding Source: Adult Education Eligible Entity Program
Acct. #2503-5018-50112(\$38,614.00)
Acct. #2503-5018-50128 (\$42,363.00)
2. Agreement with Martinez Design Collective LLC, to facilitate the redesign of the Digital Media Art and Technology Department at ESUMS, from October 25, 2022 to June 30, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 was presented by Dr. Whyte on behalf of Ms. Blue-Ellis.
Funding Source: ARP ESSER III Carryover Program **Acct. #2553-6399-56694-0017**
Presenter: Ms. Medria Blue-Ellis **Document Link:** Martinez
3. Agreement with Higher Heights Youth Empowerment Programs, Inc., to provide college access programming for 11th-12th grade students at Career High School, from November 15, 2022 to June 30, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$31,000.00 was presented by Dr. Whyte on behalf of Mr. True.
Funding Source: ARP ESSER III Carryover Program **Acct. #2553-6399-56697-0063**
4. Agreement with Justice Education Center to provide pre-apprenticeship training to prepare Hillhouse High School students for a career in the construction industry, from October 17, 2022 to June 30, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00 was presented by Dr. Whyte on behalf of Mr. Sweeting.
Funding Source: ARP ESSER III Carryover Program **Acct. #2552-6399-56694-0062**

II. DISCUSSION:

- **August and September 2022 Budget Update:** Ms. Hannans reviewed the monthly financial expenditure report for General Funds as of September 20, 2022. She explained that grants are not all available at this time but she provided a monthly financial revenue forecast report as of September 30, 2022. **No motion was made and no vote was taken.**
- **Defining the Gap Project Update:** Mr. Wilcox reported that staff is involved in contract negotiations at this time but is working on updating the staffing model report. The report will focus

on numbers of staff by position. Ms. Hannans reported that she has estimated staffing cost for Special Education, which averages \$75,000.00 to \$95,000.00 per person. The topic will be discussed further at the next meeting. **No motion was made and no vote was taken.**

- **Series 3000 Policies:** Mr. Wilcox reported that he has sent the policies to the Governance Committee for review and updating. He indicated that the Food Service policies have been reviewed. Ms. Hannans reported that she began the process of reviewing financial policies to ensure there is no conflict with the City's policies. A discussion ensued. **No motion was made and no vote was taken.**
- **Adult Ed Update:** Mr. Wilcox reported that the City-wide School Construction Committee has scheduled an environmental survey of the site to determine work the amount and type of work required. Ms. Bonora will be kept apprised of progress. **No motion was made and no vote was taken.**
- **East Rock Sports Complex:** Mr. Wilcox reported the City and Board of Education will receive \$1,100,000.00 from the State for improvements to football field and track at Wilbur Cross High School. The report detailing the grant was posted and will be included in the Board of Education packets. A discussion ensued. **No motion was made and no vote was taken.**

Adjournment: A motion by Mr. Wilcox, seconded by Dr. Yarborough to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m., passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote: Dr. Yarborough, Yes; Ms. Rivera, Yes; Mr. Wilcox, Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. DeMaio



FINANCIAL REPORTS

September 30, 2022

New Haven Board of Education
Finance & Operations Committee Meeting

October 14, 2022



Core Values

We believe...

- 1 Equitable opportunities** create the foundation necessary for every child to succeed
- 2 A culture of continuous improvement** will ensure that all staff are learners and reflective practitioners
- 3 High expectations** and standards are necessary to prepare students for college and career
- 4 Collaboration** and partnerships with families and the New Haven community will enhance learning and achievement



Mission

To provide all students in New Haven Public Schools with personalized, authentic, and engaging learning experiences through creativity, exploration, innovation, critical thinking, problem-solving, and high quality instruction. To foster a culture of continuous improvement through collaborative partnerships with staff, families, and the New Haven community. To support students' growth and development by utilizing the Whole Child Framework.

Vision

Our vision is to be a premier urban school district that ensures access to equitable opportunities and successful outcomes for all students as they prepare for college, career, and life.

Priority Areas for 2020-2024

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| 1 Academic Learning | 2 Culture & Climate |
| 3 Youth & Family Engagement | 4 Talented Educators |
| 5 Operational Efficiencies | |

- Monthly Financial Expenditure Report General Funds as of September 30, 2022
- Monthly Financial Revenue Forecast Report Special Funds as of September 30, 2022

- General Fund expenditures incurred through 09/30/22 are \$22,844,244 million or 11.7% of the adopted budget.



Financial Report – General Fund September 30, 2022



Fiscal Year 2022-2023
Education Operating Fund (General Fund)
Monthly Financial Report (Unaudited) as of September 30, 2022

	FY2023 Adopted Budget (A)	MONTHLY YTD Actuals (B)	YTD %	MONTHLY Encumbrances (C)	Available (A-B+C)
Salaries					
Teacher Full-Time	\$76,911,890	(\$10,401,525)	13.52%	\$0	\$66,510,365
Admin & Management Full-Time	16,557,163	(4,036,238)	24.38%	0	12,520,925
Paraprofessionals	3,049,145	(599,586)	19.66%	0	2,449,559
Support Staff Full-Time	10,517,818	(2,343,592)	22.28%	0	8,174,226
Part Time & Seasonal	3,491,774	(266,641)	7.64%	(232,000)	2,993,133
Substitutes	1,000,000	(154,911)	15.49%	0	845,089
Overtime, Benefits, Other	3,733,650	(973,086)	26.06%	(20,063)	2,740,501
Total Salaries and Benefits	\$115,261,440	(\$18,775,579)	16.29%	(\$252,063)	\$96,233,798
Supplies and Services					
Instructional Supplies	\$3,396,380	(\$674,004)	19.84%	(\$1,490,739)	\$1,231,637
Tuition	21,049,657	(484,337)	2.30%	(25,225,413)	(4,660,093)
Utilities	11,527,000	(465,089)	4.03%	(10,092,979)	968,932
Transportation	26,535,202	(197,508)	0.74%	(32,390,100)	(6,052,406)
Maintenance, Property, Custodial	2,336,060	(339,100)	14.52%	(1,140,313)	856,647
Other Contractual Services	15,158,045	(1,908,627)	12.59%	(9,616,358)	3,633,060
Total Supplies and Services	\$80,002,344	(\$4,068,665)	5.09%	(\$79,955,902)	(\$4,022,223)
General Fund Totals	\$195,263,784	(\$22,844,244)	11.70%	(\$80,207,964)	\$92,211,576



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YTD by Period	Account Description	Original Budget	YTD Actual	MTD Actual	Encumb.	Available Budget	% Used
Teachers Full-Time	Teachers	\$76,911,890	\$10,401,525	\$10,396,751	\$0	\$66,510,365	13.52
Admin & Management Full-Time	Salaries	1,121,118	266,595	113,236	0	854,523	23.78
	Directors Salaries	979,166	239,198	94,787	0	739,968	24.43
	Supervisor	2,428,690	618,181	283,443	0	1,810,509	25.45
	Department Heads/Principals/Aps	10,583,047	2,623,656	1,683,549	0	7,959,391	24.79
	Management	1,445,142	288,609	111,852	0	1,156,533	19.97
	Sub-Total	\$16,557,163	\$4,036,238	\$2,286,866	\$0	\$12,520,925	24.38
Paraprofessionals	ParaProfessionals	3,049,145	599,586	598,079	0	2,449,559	19.66
Support Staff Full-Time	Wages Temporary	479,059	80,307	80,307	-	398,752	16.76
	Custodians	4,360,565	1,177,637	494,256	0	3,182,928	27.01
	Building Repairs	767,430	172,751	70,672	0	594,679	22.51
	Clerical	2,569,935	524,574	297,069	0	2,045,361	20.41
	Security	2,245,816	363,494	88,749	0	1,882,322	16.19
	Truck Drivers	95,013	24,829	9,470	0	70,184	26.13
	Sub-Total	\$10,517,818	\$2,343,592	\$1,040,524	\$0	\$8,174,226	22.28
Part Time & Seasonal	Coaches	650,000	0	0	0	650,000	0.00
	Other Personnel	125,000	18,494	14,585	210,000	(103,494)	0.00
	Part-Time Payroll	2,118,331	226,723	108,904	22,000	1,869,608	11.74
	Seasonal	498,443	21,424	4,472	0	477,019	4.30
	Teachers Stipend	100,000	0	0	0	100,000	0.00
	Sub-Total	\$3,491,774	\$266,641	\$127,961	\$232,000	\$2,993,133	14.28
Substitutes	Substitutes	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 154,911	\$ 149,634	\$ -	\$ 845,089	\$ 15
Overtime, Benefits, Other	Overtime	605,000	359,512	252,277	0	245,488	59.42
	Longevity	275,000	728	383	0	274,272	0.26
	Custodial Overtime	625,500	319,948	125,992	0	305,552	51.15
	Retirement	1,700,000	292,561	151,288	20,063	1,387,376	18.39
	Employment Comp	495,000	336	336	0	494,664	0.07
	Professional Meetings*	33,150	0	0	0	33,150	0.00
	Sub-Total	\$3,733,650	\$973,086	\$530,277	\$20,063	\$2,740,501	26.60
	Salaries Sub-Total	\$115,261,440	\$18,775,579	\$15,130,092	\$252,063	\$96,233,798	16.51



**Fiscal Year 2022-2023
Education Operating Fund (General Fund)
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YTD by Period	Account Description	Original Budget	YTD Actual	MTD Actual	Encumb.	Available Budget	% Used
Teachers Full-Time	Teachers	\$76,911,890	\$10,401,525	\$10,396,751	\$0	\$66,510,365	13.52
Admin & Management Full-Time	Salaries	1,121,118	266,595	113,236	0	854,523	23.78
	Directors Salaries	979,166	239,198	94,787	0	739,968	24.43
	Supervisor	2,428,690	618,181	283,443	0	1,810,509	25.45
	Department Heads/Principals/Aps	10,583,047	2,623,656	1,683,549	0	7,959,391	24.79
	Management	1,445,142	288,609	111,852	0	1,156,533	19.97
	Sub-Total	\$16,557,163	\$4,036,238	\$2,286,866	\$0	\$12,520,925	24.38
Paraprofessionals	ParaProfessionals	3,049,145	599,586	598,079	0	2,449,559	19.66
Support Staff Full-Time	Wages Temporary	479,059	80,307	80,307	-	398,752	16.76
	Custodians	4,360,565	1,177,637	494,256	0	3,182,928	27.01
	Building Repairs	767,430	172,751	70,672	0	594,679	22.51
	Clerical	2,569,935	524,574	297,069	0	2,045,361	20.41
	Security	2,245,816	363,494	88,749	0	1,882,322	16.19
	Truck Drivers	95,013	24,829	9,470	0	70,184	26.13
	Sub-Total	\$10,517,818	\$2,343,592	\$1,040,524	\$0	\$8,174,226	22.28
Part Time & Seasonal	Coaches	650,000	0	0	0	650,000	0.00
	Other Personnel	125,000	18,494	14,585	210,000	(103,494)	0.00
	Part-Time Payroll	2,118,331	226,723	108,904	22,000	1,869,608	11.74
	Seasonal	498,443	21,424	4,472	0	477,019	4.30
	Teachers Stipend	100,000	0	0	0	100,000	0.00
	Sub-Total	\$3,491,774	\$266,641	\$127,961	\$232,000	\$2,993,133	14.28
Substitutes	Substitutes	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 154,911	\$ 149,634	\$ -	\$ 845,089	\$ 15
Overtime, Benefits, Other	Overtime	605,000	359,512	252,277	0	245,488	59.42
	Longevity	275,000	728	383	0	274,272	0.26
	Custodial Overtime	625,500	319,948	125,992	0	305,552	51.15
	Retirement	1,700,000	292,561	151,288	20,063	1,387,376	18.39
	Employment Comp	495,000	336	336	0	494,664	0.07
	Professional Meetings*	33,150	0	0	0	33,150	0.00
	Sub-Total	\$3,733,650	\$973,086	\$530,277	\$20,063	\$2,740,501	26.60
	Salaries Sub-Total	\$115,261,440	\$18,775,579	\$15,130,092	\$252,063	\$96,233,798	16.51



**Fiscal Year 2022-2023
Education Operating Fund (General Fund)
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YTD by Period	Account Description	Original Budget	YTD Actual	MTD Actual	Encumb.	Available Budget	% Used	
Instructional Supplies	Equipment	250,542	15,806	12,539	103,775	130,960	47.73	
	Computer Equipment	110,091	5,583	4,102	14,390	90,118	18.14	
	Software	32,576	6,937	0	4,456	21,183	0.00	
	Furniture	102,501	1,268	1,268	44,557	56,676	44.71	
	Materials & Supplies Intruccion	0	32	32	68	(100)	0.00	
	Testing Materials	82,600	0	0	0	82,600	0.00	
	Education Supplies Inventory	557,349	92,531	41,079	196,806	268,013	51.91	
	General/Office Supplies	1,249,396	355,521	103,083	883,278	10,597	99.15	
	Textbooks	354,807	49,566	22,855	77,285	227,956	35.75	
	Library Books	132,515	0	0	1,056	131,459	0.80	
	Periodicals	2,000	0	0	0	2,000	0.00	
Maintenance, Property, Custodial	School Security	12,000	3,402	0	5,133	3,465	71.13	
	Building & Grounds Maint. Supp.	100,000	31,092	5,598	13,452	55,455	44.54	
	Custodial Supplies	488,000	199,869	92,450	246,131	42,000	91.39	
	Light Bulbs	30,000	7,043	5,584	3,703	19,254	35.82	
	Uniforms	19,252	0	0	0	19,252	0.00	
	Moving Expenses	50,000	0	0	65,000	(15,000)	130.00	
	Cleaning	26,000	0	0	16,000	10,000	61.54	
	Repairs & Maintenance	102,808	(10,000)	0	30,000	82,808	19.45	
	Building Maintenance	575,000	58,428	34,249	378,650	137,922	76.01	
	Rental	120,000	(471)	0	0	120,471	(0.39)	
	Rental of Equipment	8,000	0	0	12,000	(4,000)	150.00	
	Maintenance Agreement Services	725,000	47,237	23,279	294,763	383,000	47.17	
	Vehicle Repairs	80,000	2,499	0	75,481	2,020	97.48	
	Sub-Total	\$2,336,060	\$339,100	\$161,160	\$1,140,313	\$856,647	63.33	
Other Contractual Services	Other Contractual Services *	4,733,111	292,350	8,747	532,711	3,908,050	17.43	
	* Special Education	1,042,340	46,923	0	622,564	372,853	64.23	
	*Facilities	7,220,558	1,294,850	0	7,222,838	(1,297,130)	117.96	
	*IT	1,000,000	187,146	3,242	752,279	60,576	93.94	
	Legal Services	534,036	0	0	430,000	104,036	80.52	
	Other Purchased Services	17,500	444	0	350	16,706	4.54	
	Postage & Freight	160,500	86,914	86,093	55,616	17,970	88.80	
	Claims	450,000	0	0	0	450,000	0.00	
		Sub-Total	\$15,158,045	\$1,908,627	\$98,081	\$9,616,358	\$3,633,060	76.03
		Supplies & Services Sub-Total	\$80,002,344	\$4,068,665	\$790,178	\$79,955,902	(\$4,022,223)	105.03
	Combined Total	\$195,263,784	\$22,844,244	\$15,920,270	\$80,207,964	\$92,211,576	52.78	

* Breakout of Other Contractual Services by Department

Reporting For Information Purposes Only - MTD Actuals for the Month referenced above.



Revenue Report – Grants

September 30, 2022

How to read the new grant revenue exhibit (letters refer to column letters on the prior page):

- A The total amount we were awarded for the grant in 2021-22
- B Because of Covid-19, we are permitted to carryover unexpended money in some grants in 2022-23. It ‘carries over’ to the next fiscal year.
- C This is new funding we were awarded in 2022-23
- D Funding we haven’t received yet, but expect to receive.
- E C+D. The total new money we’ll receive for the grant this year.
- F B+E. The sum of the carryover funds and the new money. This is what’s available to spend in 2022-23.
- G E-A. This measures the change in new money only, and excludes the effect of the carryover.
- H G/A. Calculates, on a percentage basis, the change in the new money year over year.



Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Special Funds Revenue

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
	FY 2021-22	Carryover	Received	Pending	Total	Total	YOY \$ Change	YOY
Common Titles	Funding	Funding	FY2022-23	Approvals	Anticipated	Available Funds	in New Funds	% Change
			Funding		New Funding	for 2022-23		
Law Education/School Security	\$787,061	\$787,061			\$0	\$787,061	(\$787,061)	0.0%
Impact Aid	\$10,303	\$0			\$0	\$0	(\$10,303)	-100.0%
Adult Education/Homeless*	\$3,242,672	\$60,000	\$2,836,213		\$2,836,213	\$2,896,213	(\$406,459)	-12.5%
IDEA*	\$7,332,434	\$620,604			\$0	\$620,604	(\$7,332,434)	-100.0%
Perkins*	\$652,073	\$0			\$0	\$0	(\$652,073)	-100.0%
Title II A/Student Support*	\$3,030,291	\$822,330			\$0	\$822,330	(\$3,030,291)	-100.0%
School Based Health/Parenting	\$1,399,459	\$0			\$0	\$0	(\$1,399,459)	-100.0%
Federal Magnet Grant*	\$4,972,659	\$2,320,725			\$0	\$2,320,725	(\$4,972,659)	-100.0%
State Bilingual/Title III/Immigrant	\$1,060,618	\$211,304			\$0	\$211,304	(\$1,060,618)	-100.0%
School Readiness/Family Resource	\$9,724,866	\$140,963	\$8,117,948	\$771,844	\$8,889,792	\$9,030,755	(\$835,074)	-8.6%
Private Foundation	\$435,873	\$272,168			\$0	\$272,168	(\$435,873)	-100.0%
Title I/SIG*	\$16,717,400	\$4,398,588			\$0	\$4,398,588	(\$16,717,400)	-100.0%
Head Start - Federal*	\$7,686,198	\$1,373,995	\$6,235,156		\$6,235,156	\$7,609,151	(\$1,451,042)	-18.9%
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$219,642	\$0			\$0	\$0	(\$219,642)	-100.0%
School Improvements	\$0	\$0			\$0	\$0	\$0	#DIV/0!
Alliance/Comm Network/Low Performing	\$20,876,678	\$0	\$334,000	\$20,904,171	\$21,238,171	\$21,238,171	\$361,493	1.7%
State Misc Education Grants	\$29,417	\$0			\$0	\$0	(\$29,417)	100.0%
Open Choice	\$483,941	\$0			\$0	\$0	(\$483,941)	-100.0%
Head Start - State	\$248,714	\$0	\$130,759		\$130,759	\$130,759	(\$117,955)	-47.4%
Priority/21st Century*	\$6,037,905	\$216,710	\$161,878	\$4,936,103	\$5,097,981	\$5,314,691	(\$939,924)	-15.6%
Jobs for CT Youth	\$29,307	\$0			\$0	\$0	(\$29,307)	-100.0%
Youth Services Prevention	\$0	\$0			\$0	\$0	\$0	#DIV/0!
ESSER*	\$1,750,667	\$0			\$0	\$0	(\$1,750,667)	-100.0%
ESSER II	\$37,398,032	\$19,981,102	\$100,000		\$100,000	\$20,081,102	(\$37,298,032)	-99.7%
ARP ESSER	\$80,017,233	\$69,214,187			\$0	\$69,214,187	(\$80,017,233)	0.0%
ARP ESSER Special Education	\$1,951,134	\$1,551,134			\$0	\$1,551,134	(\$1,951,134)	0.0%
ARP ESSER Homeless Youth	\$472,682	\$472,682			\$0	\$472,682	(\$472,682)	0.0%
	\$206,567,259	\$102,443,553	\$17,915,954	\$26,612,118	\$44,528,072	\$146,971,625	(\$162,039,187)	-78.4%

*As a result of Covid 19 federal grants were awarded an extension to spend funds in fiscal year 2020-21, 2021-22 and recently received extension into FY23



Memorandum

Date: 10/7/2022
To: Finance and Operations Committee
From: Thomas Lamb, Chief Operating Officer
Patchkofsky, Athletic Director
Giovanni Zinn, City of New Haven Engineer
RE: Cross Field Renovations.

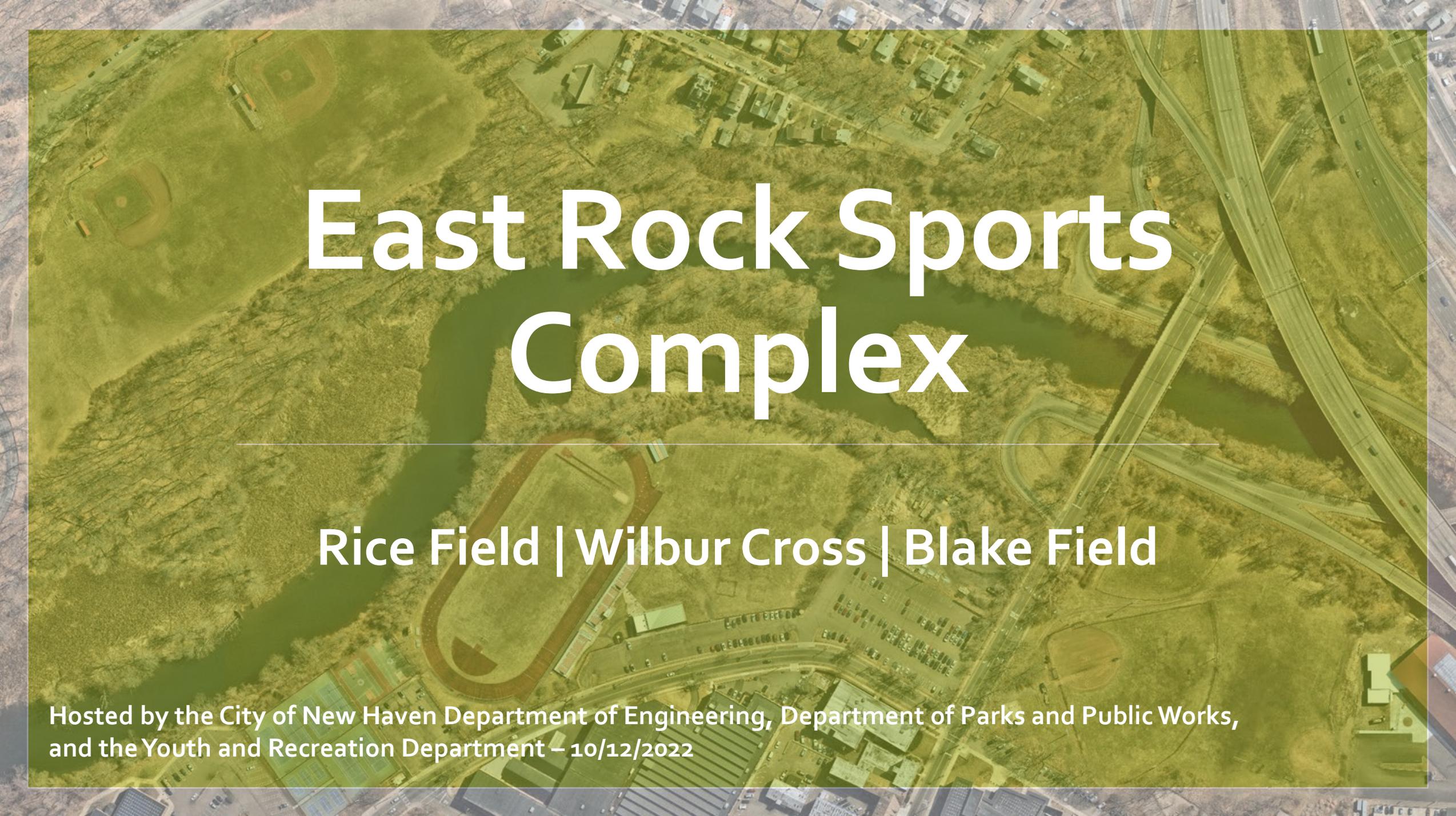
As part of the larger East Rock Sports Complex project, the City of New Haven and the New Haven Board of Education are due to receive \$1,100,000 in funds for the project from the Connecticut Department of Education through the Connecticut Office of School Construction Grants and Review. This is part of a larger \$4.35M funding pool secured for the overall project. The \$1.1M from CT DOE is slated to be used for improvements to the football field and track adjacent to Wilbur Cross High School.

The scope of work for the football field and track includes the following items:

- Grading and installation of artificial turf multi-sport field in the location of the current football field.
- Installation of lighting for new multi-sport field
- Rebuild track including repaving underlying asphalt, installation of root barrier, and new running surface
- New public address system
- New scoreboard
- Renovate press box
- Repair field fence

This scope was developed with input from Erik Patchkofsky, Athletic Director, and public input from many Cross athletics and community members. The improvements will provide enhanced fields for athletics and reduce maintenance requirements. There have been two public meeting (6/7/2022 and 10/12/2022) and the plan was received enthusiastically at the October meeting.

There is a pending request to the Board of Alders to accept the full package of funding including the CT DOE funds referenced above. In addition, the Citywide School Construction Committee voted to approve the project and funds at its meeting on 10/13/2022.



East Rock Sports Complex

Rice Field | Wilbur Cross | Blake Field

Hosted by the City of New Haven Department of Engineering, Department of Parks and Public Works,
and the Youth and Recreation Department – 10/12/2022

Our Plan for This Evening



Introductions



Recap of Previous Meeting



What We've Heard



Proposed Improvements



Next Steps



Open Discussion

Improvements Proposed on 6/7/2022



What We've Heard

Top Priorities: Cross Football Stadium and Rice Fields

Synthetic turf football field is preferred because:

- Returns to use more quickly after rain
- More resilient to heavy multi-sport use
- Reduced impact of geese

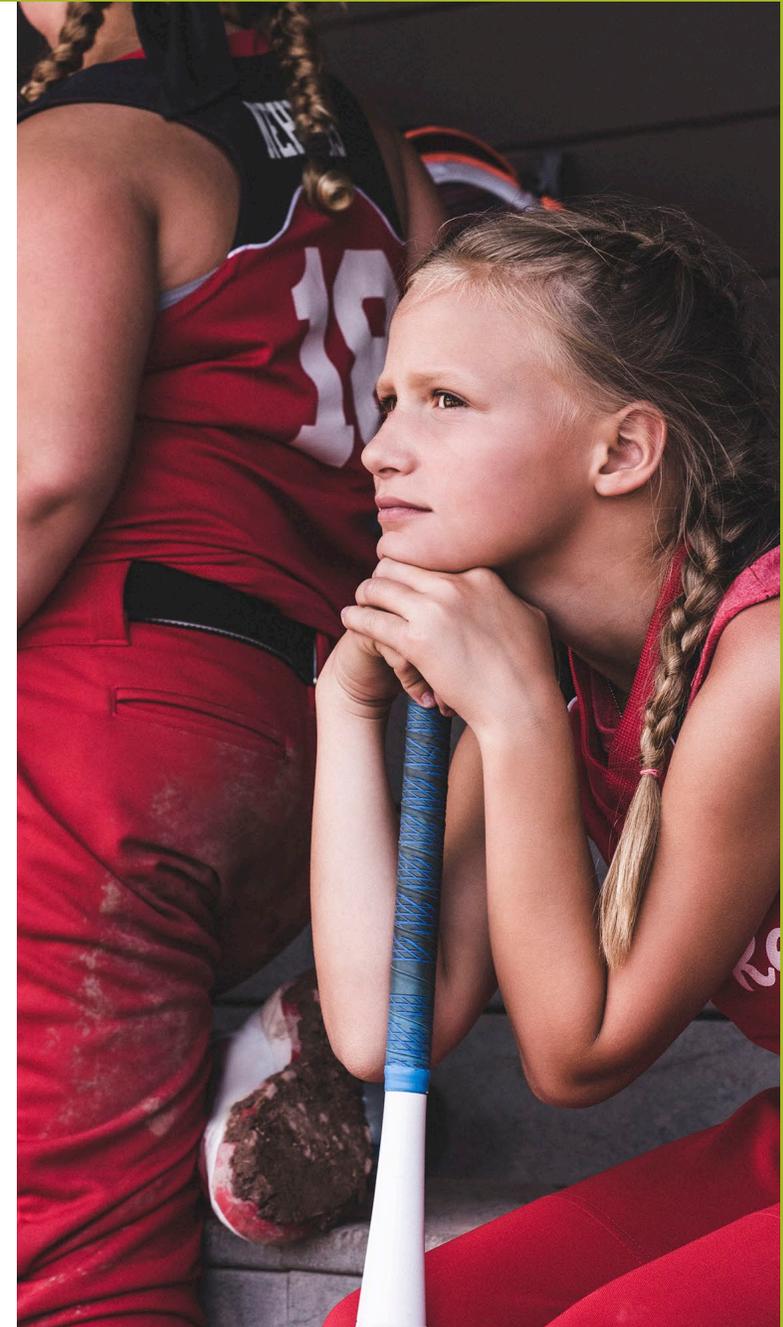
Install lights at Wilbur Cross football field to allow for evening games

Return Wilbur Cross press box + amenities to usable condition

Address access + drainage issues and repair turf on Rice baseball fields

Field conditions for varsity softball field

Use funding that is available now for improvements now



Overview of Proposed Improvements

Rice Field

Varsity Baseball

JV Baseball

JV Soccer

JV Softball

Wilbur Cross

Install field lights and synthetic turf field. Rebuild Track. Renovate Press Box and Field Amenities

Renovate Tennis & Basketball Courts



Blake Field

Existing Little League Field

Varsity Softball Turf & Infield Improvements

Varsity Soccer

Expand Dog Park

Phase One Improvements

Proposed Improvements: Wilbur Cross

Rebuild track.
Install root barrier,
synthetic turf
field, and lighting.

Replace
Scoreboard



Repair fence and
gates

Repair electrical
and audio systems
in press box

Proposed Improvements: Rice Field



Regrade infields with new clay

Regrade and renovate fields through multi-season turf plan

- Aeration
- Grading/Drainage
- Fertilizing
- Seeding
- Soil amendments

Proposed Improvements: Blake Field

Improve existing
varsity softball
field

Create new
varsity soccer
field



Regrade infield with
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Funding

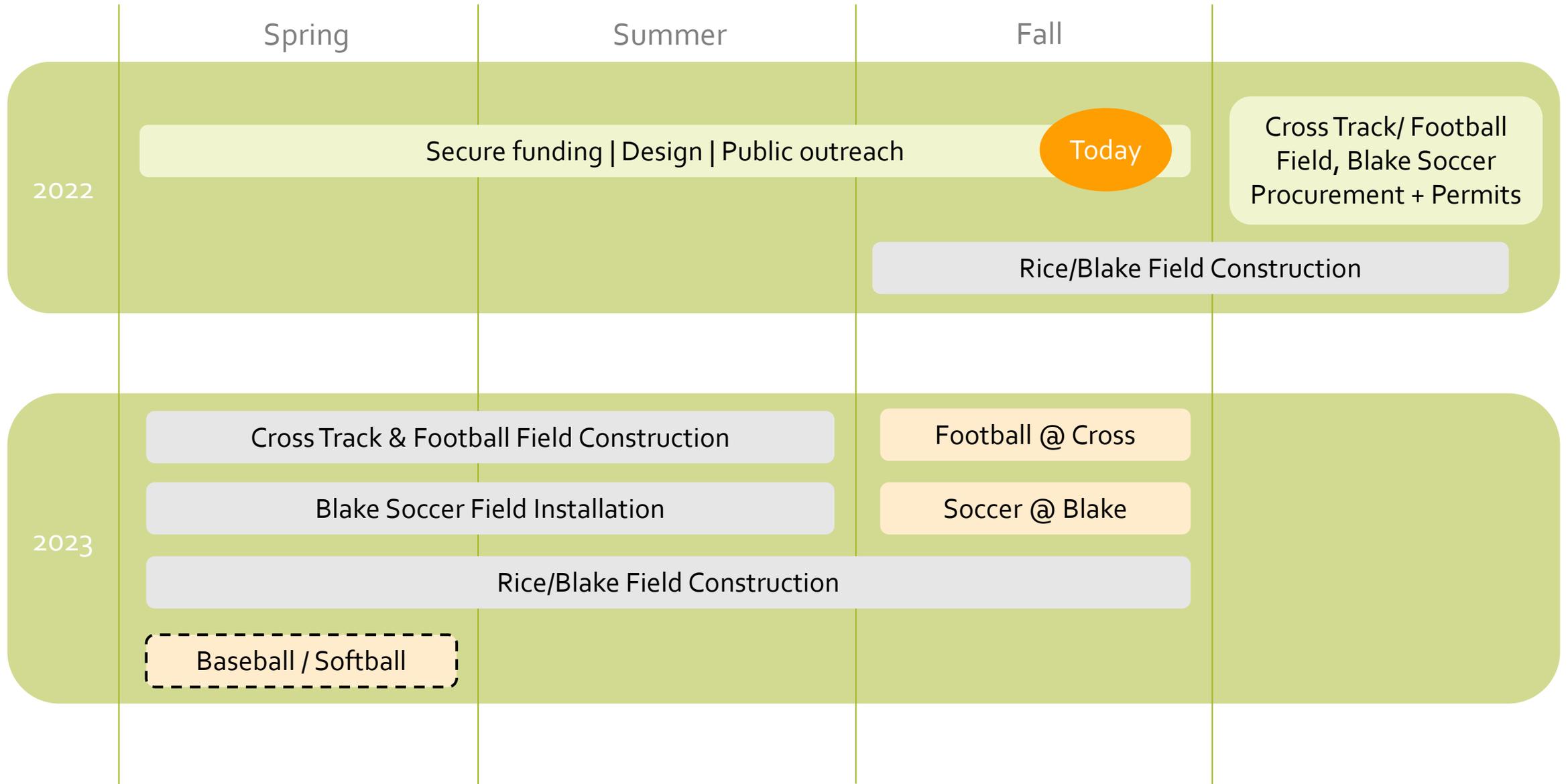
CT Dept of Education	\$1,100,000.00
US HUD	\$750,000.00*
CT DECD	\$1,500,000.00
CT DEEP	\$500,000.00
ARPA	\$500,000.00

Total: \$4,350,000.00

* Expected from US Congress



Phase One Schedule





DISCUSSION

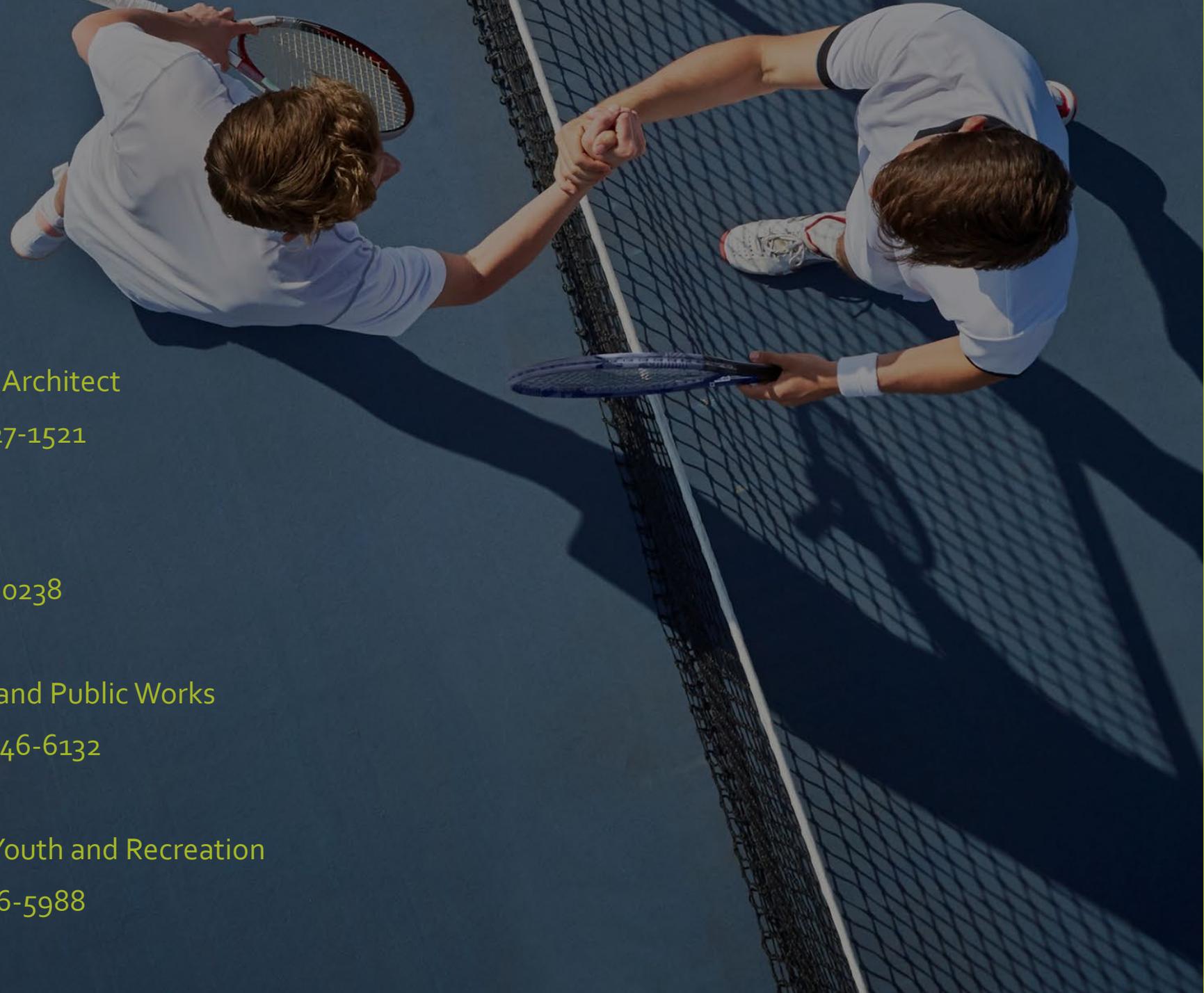
Thank You!

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Jeff Pescosolido, Director of Parks and Public Works
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Gwen Busch-Williams, Director of Youth and Recreation
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NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Domestic Out-of-State Trips Travel Request Form

Requested Date(s) of Trip	November 2-3
Destination and Short Description	<p>AMC Noble View Outdoor Center - Russell, MA</p> <p>Wilderness Inspired Outdoor Leadership (WILD) program will take 10 students on a 1 night trip focused on cultivating leadership skills and self reliance in the outdoors. Students will stay in an AMC lodge overnight and participate in activities during the day, including hiking, wilderness navigation training, and other workshops offered by the WILD staff. Strong focus on Social Emotional Learning (SEL).</p>
School Name	High School in the Community (HSC)
Grade Level(s)	11, 12
Anticipated # of Students	10
Anticipated # of Chaperones: 2 (1 male, 1 female)	Note: there should be at least 2 NHPS staff chaperones. If there are male and female students on the trip, there must be a male and a female chaperone.
Mode(s) of Transportation	AMC Van (provided by Appalachian Mountain Club, includes AMC driver and insurance)
Accommodations	AMC Noble View Outdoor Center 635 S Quarter Rd, Russell, MA 01071
Estimated Costs	<p>Please include the details of what each expense covers.</p> <p>Transportation and lodging covered by AMC grant : \$0 Food provided by student fundraising and AMC grant: \$0 Outdoors equipment provided by HSC gear closet: \$0</p> <p>Total cost: \$0</p>



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Fundraising Plans

What will you do for students who cannot afford the trip?

Students will fundraise to cover their expenses. Students who do not fundraise their portion will contribute \$15 for this trip to cover meals. This amount, with some small scale local fund raising, will be adequate to cover individuals who cannot afford to pay.

Academic Connection & Objectives
(consult your Curriculum Supervisor with questions)



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Social Emotional Learning:

Studies have shown that spending time in nature can reduce symptoms related to stress, anxiety, and other mental health problems. Researchers out of the University of Chicago note, “Green spaces near schools promote cognitive development in children and green views near children’s homes promote self-control behaviors... And experiments have found that being exposed to natural environments improves working memory, cognitive flexibility and attentional control, while exposure to urban environments is linked to attention deficits” (Weir).

Students involved in the WILD program have the opportunity to engage in outdoor experiences ranging from day hikes at local state parks to overnight backpacking trips on Connecticut and New Hampshire portions of the Appalachian Trail. The purpose of the trips is to help students foster independent and group leadership skills as they navigate wilderness. Entwining the unit with the WILD program gives students the opportunity to experience learning in a traditional nature environment as well as develop observational and narrative writing skills.

ELA:

Student goals include: citing strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text; determining a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; and analyzing how complex characters (e.g., those with multiple or conflicting motivations) develop over the course of a text, interact with other characters, and advance the plot or develop the theme (ELA CCSS). These skills are not only necessary for students to perform well in an academic setting, but are also needed to communicate effectively in social and professional environments. In response to writing prompts, students are more apt to provide short answers, in style similar to a text message, or struggle to produce details to support their ideas or clearly explain their thought process. Students need the capacity to initiate, grow, and maintain complex thought processes as they navigate solving real life problems.



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Overnight Domestic Field Trip Approval Proposed Process

Effective for the remainder 2021-22 school year, for all overnight domestic trips:

- All trips will be due in the central office at least 5 weeks ahead of time, with a final deadline of **May 13st** for trips taking place any time before **November 15, 2022** (exceptions listed below).*
- Please submit your trips to Sandra Clark and Cynthia Johnson, to be collated for the monthly Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting.
- The trips will come to the Teaching & Learning Committee for approval by the BOE. Trip leaders will be informed that their trips will be discussed so that they can be present to answer questions.
- Approvals will happen in Committee during April and May of this year.
- All overnight trips must be fully funded through fundraising, grants, and/or student payments (not General Funds).

Effective for the 2022-2023 school year:

- Schools may submit overnight travel trip applications from August 15th- October 15th for consideration by the Committee at the September, October, and November meetings for during the 2022-23 school year (exceptions listed below).*
- Schools will not be allowed to take any deposits for trips until they have been approved by the Teaching & Learning Committee and the Board of Education.
- Please submit your trip request to Sandra Clark and Cynthia Johnson to be collated for the monthly Teaching and Learning Committee Meeting.
- The trips will come to the Teaching & Learning Committee for approval by the BOE. Trip leaders will be informed that their trips will be discussed so that they can be present to answer questions.
- Approvals will happen in Committee during September, October and November of this year.
- All overnight trips must be fully funded through fundraising, grants, and/or student payments (not General Funds).

* Academic or sports competition trip applications will be accepted on an as-needed basis. Other opportunities that may arise will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

One month before each trip, please submit the following by email to your principal.

- Updated #of students
- Updated chaperone list
- Emergency contact information for trip leaders



NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- Detailed itinerary

October 21, 2022

REGARDING:

Rescinding Voted Proposal for Before/After School Programs Pay Rate and Sign-on Bonus

Board Members,

Last Board meeting, I presented a proposal to pay staff for before and after school program, and to give sign in incentives to attract staff to help with our more than 80 vacancies.

Since then, the teachers' union has claimed unfair labor practice and violation of bargaining rights. Please note that XII, Section 7 of the bargaining unit contract does give the board permission to do sign on bonus as incentives to attract staff.

The lawyer for the NHFT union has served us with a notice of violation. As a result, we have not acted on the approval of the proposal.

I am asking the Board to rescind the proposal regarding the before and after school program pay rates and the sign on bonus.

Sincerely,



Dr. Iline Tracey

JOHNSON, RAE

From: McKeon, Mike <Mike.McKeon@ct.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, October 19, 2022 2:03 PM
To: TRACEY, ILINE (DR.)
Subject: Modification of School Year
Attachments: VII.A._180-Day School Year Modification Request_New Haven Public Schools-signed.pdf

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Dear Superintendent Tracey:

Good afternoon! I hope that all is well. I am writing on behalf of the Commissioner to advise you that at its October 12, 2022, meeting, the State Board of Education approved the New Haven Board of Education's request to offset New Haven's inadvertent noncompliance during the 2021-2022 school year with Conn. Gen. Stat. §§15 & 16's requirement that school districts provide students with no fewer than 180 days of actual school sessions by adding an additional day of actual school sessions during the 2022-2023 school year. Consequently, New Haven must provide its students with no fewer than 181 days of actual school sessions in order to balance the provision of only 179 days during the 2021-2022 school year. I have attached a copy of the Board's signed resolution to that effect. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this matter. Take care!

Mike McKeon



Michael P. McKeon
Director of Legal and Governmental Affairs

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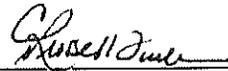
VII.A.

Connecticut State Board of Education Hartford

To Be Proposed:
October 12, 2022

Resolved: That in accordance with Section 10-15 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the State Board of Education grants the New Haven Board of Education's retroactive request to permit the shortening of the 2021-2022 school year by one day, for a total of 179 days of actual school sessions -- but only upon the mandatory condition that during the 2022-2023 school year, New Haven shall provide no fewer than 181 days of actual school sessions to all students enrolled within the New Haven Public Schools -- and further directs the Commissioner to inform the New Haven Board of Education of the State Board of Education's decision.

Approved by a vote of 9:0, this 12th day of October, Two Thousand Twenty-Two.

Signed: 

Charlene M. Russell-Tucker, Secretary
State Board of Education

**Connecticut State Board of Education
Hartford**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Charlene M. Russell-Tucker, Commissioner of Education

DATE: October 12, 2022

SUBJECT: New Haven Board of Education 180-Day-School-Year Modification Request

Introduction

Both Sections 10-15 and 10-16 of the Connecticut General Statutes require that Connecticut’s public school districts provide a minimum of 180 school days during each school year. This mandate applies to all grades, kindergarten through twelve. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Section 10-15 empowers the State Board of Education [“SBE”] to “authorize the shortening of any school year for a school district, a school or a portion of a school on account of an unavoidable emergency.” Section 10-15 further provides that the SBE may:

[A]uthorize implementation of scheduling of school sessions to permit full year use of facilities which may not offer each child one hundred eighty days of school sessions within a given school year, but which assures an opportunity for each child to average a minimum of one hundred eighty days of school sessions per year during thirteen years of educational opportunity in the elementary and secondary schools.

In other words, the SBE may allow a district to shorten a specific year so long as the district adds an additional day, or days, to a subsequent year in order to average the statutorily mandated 180 school days.

Given Section 10-15’s exacting “unavoidable emergency” standard, the SBE has rarely granted such waivers unless a district can show that it has exhausted every other alternative, including but not limited to rescheduling the lost days prior to or on June 30, which is the final day of the school year. As such, requests to shorten a particular school year are almost universally submitted prospectively. The New Haven Board of Education [“New Haven”], however, is *retroactively* seeking authorization to shorten the 2021-2022 school year. More specifically, having only provided 179 days of actual school sessions during the 2021-2022 academic year, New Haven is essentially asking the SBE to retroactively permit the shorting of that year, conditioned upon New Haven’s provision of no fewer than 181 days of actual school sessions during the current, 2022-2023 school year.

Rationale

Following the conclusion of the 2021-2022 school year, New Haven submitted its June 2022 PSIS data to the Connecticut State Department of Education [CSDE]. In reviewing this submission, the CSDE noticed that the majority of New Haven’s students were reported as having attended

school for only 179 days during the 2021-2022 school year. The CSDE contacted New Haven, and on August 2, 2022, Dr. Iline P. Tracey, Superintendent of the New Haven Public Schools, confirmed that the New Haven Public Schools had only provided 179 of actual school sessions to its students during the 2021-2022 school year.

In explaining New Haven's noncompliance with Sections 10-15 and 10-16, Dr. Tracey advised that September 24, 2021, had been "incorrectly counted as a student day on [New Haven's] board approved calendar," when, in fact, it "was a teacher only day." Consequently, New Haven's 2021-2022 calendar provided for 181 rather than what New Haven believed to be 182 school days. During the 2021-2022 school year, there were three weather-related closings, and although New Haven added an additional day at the end of the 2021-2022 school year, that still resulted in only 179 days of actual school sessions.

Subsequently, on September 9, 2022, in response to correspondence to Dr. Tracey regarding this serious issue, New Haven requested permission to offset its provision of only 179 days of actual school sessions during the 2021-2022 school year by providing no fewer than 181 such school days during the 2022-2023 school year. Essentially, New Haven is retroactively requesting permission to shorten the 2021-2022 school year by one day and to balance it with an additional day of actual school sessions during the 2022-2023 school year.

Recommendation

It is, of course, incumbent upon a local and regional school board to ensure that its school calendar accurately reflects the dates of actual school sessions. It is at least equally important that a school district correctly track such dates. Given Section 10-15's high standard for granting such requests, specifically the existence of an "unavoidable emergency," it is questionable whether New Haven's failure to accurately schedule or implement its school year calendar meets that standard.

Nonetheless, New Haven's failure to provide 180 days of actual school sessions during the 2021-2022 school year cannot be undone at this late date; it can only be mitigated by adding an additional day to the 2022-2023 school year. This remedy will not benefit those students who graduated from the New Haven Public Schools at the close of the 2021-2022 school year, but it will offset the loss incurred by those students who were in the school system last year and remain enrolled during the 2022-2023 school year. Ultimately, then, this recommendation is based upon the best interests of these students.

Therefore, it is recommended that the SBE grant the New Haven Board of Education's retroactive request to reduce the 2021-2022 school year by one day, to 179 days of actual school sessions, but only upon New Haven's compliance with the absolute requirement that during the 2022-2023 school year, New Haven provide the students who are enrolled in any grade and in any school of the New Haven Public School District with no fewer than 181 school days of actual school sessions.

Prepared by: Michael P. McKeon
Director of Legal and Governmental Affairs



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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION



August 25, 2022

Dr. Iline P. Tracey,
Superintendent of Schools
New Haven Public Schools
54 Meadow Street
New Haven, Connecticut 06519

Re: 2021-22 School Year

Dear Dr. Tracey:

I am writing to follow up on your August 2, 2022, e-mail, notifying the Connecticut State Department of Education that the New Haven Public Schools ("New Haven") had only 179 actual school days during the 2021-22 school year. In your August 2nd e-mail, you advised that September 24, 2021, "was incorrectly counted as a student day on [New Haven's] board approved calendar," when, in fact, it "was a teacher only day." Consequently, New Haven's 2021-22 calendar provided for 181 school days. There were, however, three weather-related closings, and although New Haven added an additional day at the end of the 2021-22 school year, that still resulted in only 179 actual school days.

Section 10-16 of the Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.) requires that each school district "provide in each school year no less than one hundred and eighty days of actual school sessions for grades kindergarten to twelve, inclusive." Consequently, as New Haven's 2021-22 school year consisted of only 179 days, the school district is in violation of Connecticut's 180-school-day mandate. C.G.S. Section 10-15 similarly requires that districts be in session for no fewer than 180 days during any one school year. C.G.S. Section 10-15, however, also provides that the State Board of Education "may authorize implementation of scheduling of school sessions to permit full year use of facilities which may not offer each child one hundred eighty days of school sessions within a given school year, but which assures an opportunity for each child to average a minimum of one hundred eighty days of school sessions per year."

This authorization is intended to be prospective -- in response to a timely request from a local or regional board of education -- not retroactive. Nonetheless, you indicated on August 2nd that New Haven had just discovered this error. Therefore, in order to comply with the requirements of C.G.S. Sections 10-15 and 10-16, New Haven must promptly take the following necessary steps to rectify its error: 1) Ensure that every student within the New Haven Public Schools is offered no fewer than 181 actual school days during the 2022-23 school year; and 2) promptly submit a request to the State Board of Education, requesting authorization pursuant to C.G.S. Section 10-15 to use the 181 actual school days during the 2022-23 school year to balance out the 179 days that were provided

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during the 2021-22 school year. This letter should be submitted no later than Tuesday, September 6, 2022, if possible, so that the State Board of Education can act upon it at its September 7, 2022, meeting.

This will, unfortunately, not benefit those students who graduated or otherwise exited the New Haven Public Schools following the close of the 2021-22 school year. Nonetheless, it is imperative that those students who are within the school district during the 2022-23 school year be provided this additional school day in order to ensure that they receive the full educational benefit to which they are entitled under Connecticut law.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Charlene M. Russell-Tucker
Commissioner of Education

CRT:mm

cc: State Board of Education

Iline P. Tracey, Ed.D.
Superintendent



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September 9, 2022

Dr. Karen DuBois Walton
Board Chair of the Connecticut State Department of Education
State Board of Education
450 Columbus Boulevard
Harford, CT 06103

Dear Dr. DuBois Walton:

It has come to our attention that New Haven Public Schools counted one school day less for 2021-2022 school year – 179 vs 180 days.

We propose to make this up this school year by adding an additional student day to the 2022-2023 school year.

Sincerely,



Dr. Iline Tracey