

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF THE GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting – February 8, 2023

The Grandview Heights Schools Board of Education met in regular session in the Larson Middle School Media Center.

Call to Order: President Emily Gephart called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call	Members Present:	Members Absent:
	Eric Bode	
	Emily Gephart	
	Kevin Gusé	
	Katie Matney	
	Molly Wassmuth	

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Board Meeting Minutes

Recommendation for Approval (Motion 23-054) Mr. Gusé moved to approve the following meeting minutes:

1. Regular Meeting, January 11, 2023

Mr. Bode seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Recognition of Guests and Hearing of the Public

GHHS Students Nora Taylor and Amber Trares read the following statement:

We are both seniors and student leaders of the Bobcat Anti-Racism Collective (BARC). We are grateful to be in a school that offers clubs like BARC and we want to share our support for continuing honesty in education. BARC is a group composed of student leaders that actively try to combat racism and raise awareness of past or ongoing issues, mainly concerning race. We have hosted movie nights, general meetings, have provided resources to combat racism, and more. It is valuable to learn about the past in order to correct and acknowledge our previous mistakes. Ignoring issues such as racism does not make it go away. There are house bills being proposed across the country, including Ohio, to limit honesty in education and the discussion of divisive concepts. We are glad that our school does its best to promote diversity and valuable discussions, even about hard things at times, which helps us grow as critical thinkers. We hope this continues because it unites our district and community.

Presentation – Same Faces, New Places – Mr. Sam Belk, Principal, Grandview Heights High School

Mr. Sam Belk presented to the Board of Education on the impact of the newly renovated GHHS spaces on student learning. A copy of the presentation is attached to this official record of the meeting minutes.

Branching Minds K-12 – Mr. Rob Brown, Chief Student Growth & Development Officer

Mr. Rob Brown presented to the Board of Education on the K-12 Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) process and recent changes that have been implemented. A copy of the presentation is attached to this official record of the meeting minutes.

Superintendent's Report

Teaching and Learning

- Kindergarten registration is now open. If you have a child at home who will be 5 on or before August 1, 2023, follow this link to fill out a quick google form that will start you on the path to Kindergarten Registration! https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeQHqQcsgLClla07lnSwlMsmk_IzrzZf7myJYsYihQzS1yzg/viewform
- Stevenson Elementary is collaborating with The James Hospital to create Valentine cards for patients that will be receiving treatments on Valentine's Day. Mrs. Deprez is having students work on cards in Spanish for Spanish speaking patients, and Mrs. Keller and Mrs. Doran will be working with students across grade levels as well.
- The Stevenson Elementary PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) Team held its fourth Community Meeting recently whereby they address the values of kindness, working hard, and being safe along with building a sense of community. **#belongingmatters**
- Larson Middle School held its first Bobcat Group meeting on January 27th. What a fantastic day!! Students from grades 4-8 met with an adult in the building, enjoyed lunch together, worked through various activities, and

began building new relationships! The next Bobcat Group meeting will consist of a new community building activity and a building-wide pep rally. Photos of some of the 40+ Bobcat Groups can be seen [here](#).

#belongingmatters

- Our Model UN Team is off and running and recently competed at the University of Chicago Conference. This conference is one of the largest national conferences and Grandview Heights was again recognized as one of the best schools. Congrats to the team and the following individual honors: Maria Ionno - Outstanding Delegate, Maggie Wessel - Honorable Mention, Cody Allen - Verbal Commendation, and Sabrina Li - Verbal Commendation. The entire team performed incredibly well and will be heading to NYC next month to defend its World Championship.
- An extension of our district's Teaching & Learning is our Kids' Club school age childcare program. Kids' Club is gearing up for Summer 2023 and next school year programming. Enrollment opens for the 2023 Summer Program on March 1. Registration for 2023/2024 School Year opens May 2. We are proud to serve our students and families with this program.

District Wide

- Kindness Week is the week of February 14th. This year, each school is working with students and staff to create events and activities to celebrate kindness.
- Not unexpected, the move to a renovated high school and new middle school has created a large increase in technology help desk tickets. Most of the issues revolve around the classroom sound system and building PA and bells. Thanks to Chris Deis, Matt Mowry, Evan Heintz, and Bob Opperman. this team is doing a fantastic job in keeping things running smoothly and our ticket numbers are coming down.
- Scheduled safety drills have been conducted, analyzed, and improved over the past month.
- The district continues to be engaged in our strategic planning process. Inquiry Teams recently met on Monday, January 23. Stay updated on the process and progress here https://www.ghschools.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=3486242&type=d&pREC_ID=2392255

Community Engagement

- Coffee & Conversation with Supt. Andy Culp will be this Friday, February 10, at 8:30 a.m. in the District Administration Collaboration Area located on the second floor. Visitors may enter through either Larson Middle School or Grandview Heights High School.
- Two opportunities to tour the renovated high school are scheduled for Friday, February 24, and Friday, March 24, both at 1:30 p.m. To reserve your space, call 614-485-4015 or email hayley.head@ghschools.org. Visitors are asked to enter through the high school doors.
- The GHHS Performing Arts Department will present The Addams Family on March 2, 3, and 4. Several performing arts concerts are scheduled this spring as well. Details can be found here https://www.ghschools.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=221347&type=d&pREC_ID=485823
- Presented by ONE Grandview, the Columbus Cultural Orchestra will be performing in the GHHS auditorium this Thursday at 6 p.m. The CCO performs a crossover of music from classical to rap and hip hop, blending music from Mozart and Bach with Usher and Beyonce! Tickets are free and open to anyone in the Grandview community!
- The Grandview Heights High School Sports Hall of Fame Dinner and Ceremony was held on February 4. Congrats to this year's inductees: Kelly Kasser (1985), Katy Seabolt (1999), Colin Todd (2001) and Paige Lachey (2010).
- Kudos to the GHHS Storytellers Club, in collaboration with the GHPL, coordinated a visit from author and storyteller Bil Lepp, a nationally-known professional storyteller. Mr. Lepp also spent time working with our GHHS language arts classes sharing his process, experiences, and expertise in storytelling.

Construction

Construction Progress Update

Superintendent Andy Culp read the following construction update from the construction team:

- We are in the process of demolishing the old EI/LMS building. Demo began January 21st and is scheduled to be completed by February 20th.
- The asbestos abatement was completed prior to demolition.
- The demolition contractor is working on salvaging building elements but due to their position some items were not able to be salvaged.
- Site work is scheduled to begin March 30th.
- The Oakland Avenue lot consolidation has been priced and is moving forward. This work will begin at the end of the 2022-23 school year.

- City work on Fairview Avenue is planned as follows: Utility work, Feb-Mar; Asphalt work on south end of Fairview, Apr-May; Asphalt work on the north end of Fairview, Jun-Jul. The school construction team and City leaders met last month to coordinate these two simultaneous projects.
- Punch list is down to approximately 90 items; the team is working nights and non-school days to complete.
- Water Damage – Most of the work is complete, including paint touch-up. Wellness Room casework is scheduled to be replaced February 20th. Science room casework will be replaced this summer.

Core Team Report

Mr. Bode and Mrs. Gephart reported the Core Team has been discussing and working on the following:

- Consolidation of Oakland Avenue parking lot, which will reduce the size of the lot and increase green space on the site.
- Landscaping on the site with the possibility of doing slightly less than 100% of the tree-plantings to allow capacity for additional trees to be planted by charitable groups in the future.
- Playground equipment with the possibility of an additional swing set.
- Exterior building lighting voted on by the Board of Education early in the construction process had to be value-engineered out of the project due to significant inflationary cost increases at the time of the site plan bidding.

Business and Finance

Finance Presentation

Treasurer Beth Collier presented the following financial highlights:

General Fund (001)

- General Fund Revenues
 - Taxes –\$2,599,800 advances rec'd; 63.3% of budget.
 - State Funding – 61.6% of budget.
 - Property Tax Allocation – Pending 1st half settlement; 49.0% of budget.
 - Grandview Yard – Pending 1st half settlement; 52.5% of budget.
 - Interest Earnings (Other Revenue) for January, 2023: \$19,788.15.
- General Fund Expenditures
 - FYTD Budget: 7 months (58.3%)
 - Total FY Expenditures: 57.6% of budget
- General Fund Investments
 - US Bank Investment account: average yield to maturity 2.48%
 - Star Ohio Yield – 4.62%

Construction Fund (004):

- Interest Earnings for January, 2023: \$18,126.91.
- Interest Earnings Project-to-Date: \$1,915,829 (net of investment advisory fees)
- 84.9% of Soft Costs have been spent.
- 96.0% of Construction Costs have been spent.
- Current Fund Balance: \$5,221,854.99
- Investments: 1.39% average yield to maturity.
- Star Ohio: 4.62% yield on liquid funds.

Permanent Improvement Fund (003):

- Unreserved Fund Balance: \$1,053,881.74
- Upcoming expenditures:
 - GHHS gym entrance restoration, \$7,940.
 - LMS gym shades - \$8,628
 - Auditorium speakers - \$16,996
 - High density music storage – \$20,761.89
 - Track Replacement: TBD

Finance Committee Report

Ms. Wassmuth reported the Finance Committee met and discussed the following:

- Kids Club fees for summer and 2023-24 will be reviewed by the Finance Committee in February.
- 2023 Grandview Yard TIF revenue projections are expected to be completed by the end of February.
- Construction budget

Recommendations for Approval (Motion 23-055) Ms. Wassmuth moved to approve the following:

1. Monthly Financial Reports
Recommend the Board approve the January financial reports and accept payment of the January bills.

2. Budget Adjustments
Recommend the Board approve the following adjustments:

Estimated Revenue
Title I (572-9023) (857.10)
Title II-A (590-9023) 297.20
Model UN (200-9124) \$1,000
GHHS Drama Club (200-9102) \$315.68

Appropriations
Title I (572-9023) (\$857.10)
Title II-A (590-9023) \$297.20
Model UN (200-9124) \$2,000
GHHS Drama Club (200-9102) \$1,815.68
Boys Soccer (300-9110) \$1,000

3. Transfer
Recommend the Board approve a transfer from the General Fund to the Model UN Fund (200-9124) in the amount of \$6,000.

4. Then and Now Certification
Recommend the Board approve the following then and now certifications:
 - a. PO 40404, Wellington School, soccer tournament fee
 - b. PO 40400, Scholastic, instructional supplies
 - c. PO 40403, Advanced Office Systems,
 - d. PO 39413, Stericycle, document shredding
 - e. PO 40251, Kroger, classroom supplies
 - f. PO 40258, Stericycle, Inc, shredding
 - g. PO 40333, Peterson Highway Safety, signs
 - h. PO 40437, Scholastic, book fair
 - i. PO 40457, City of Grandview Heights, engineering services
 - j. PO 40443, Andy Culp, meeting reimbursement
 - k. PO 40491, Steve's Hauling, dumpsters
 - l. PO 40498, Mark Van Horn, videography
 - m. PO 40301, R Design & Printing, soccer programs
 - n. PO 40476, Madison-Plans High School, wrestling tournament
 - o. PO 40474, ACCO Brands, laminator film
 - p. PO 40493, R Design & Printing, basketball programs
 - q. PO 40499, Boiler Tech, repairs
 - r. PO 40500, Elevator Service Holdings, elevator maintenance
 - s. PO 40501, Kiefer America, LLC, cleaning supplies
 - t. PO 40509, Columbus School for Girls, pool rental

5. OSBA Legal Assistance Fund
Recommend the Board approves participation in the Ohio School Boards Association Legal Assistance Fund for 2023 at a cost of \$250.

6. Activity Fund Statement of Intent and Purpose
Recommend the Board approve the attached Student Activity Account Statement of Intent and Purpose for the 2022-23 school year.

7. Donations

Recommend the Board accept the following donations:

- a. \$500 from an anonymous donor for the purchase of a concession stand television to provide live feed access to gymnasium events
- b. \$2,000 to GHHS via the Grandview Heights High School Alumni Association in memory of Christopher Herbert to support the Industrial Arts program.

Mr. Bode seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel

Recommendations for Approval (Motion 23-056) Ms. Wassmuth moved to approve the following:

1. Retirement Notice

Recommend the Board accept the following certified retirement notice:

- a. Connie Fonow; Intervention Specialist, effective 5/31/2023
- b. Barbara McCauley; 2nd grade teacher, effective 5/31/2023
- c. Linda Teach; 2nd grade teacher, effective 7/31/2023

2. Certified Resignation

Recommend the Board accept the following certified resignation:

- a. William Amurgis; Math teacher (.6 FTE), effective end of the 2022-2023 school year

3. Classified Resignation

Recommend the Board accept the following classified resignation:

- a. William Amurgis; Paraprofessional (.4 FTE), effective end of the 2022-2023 school year

4. Classified Separation of Employment

Recommend the Board accept the following classified separation of employment:

- a. Matt Morley; Custodian, effective 1/20/2023

5. Classified Notice of Appointment

Recommend the Board approved the following classified Notice of Appointment:

- a. James Rosier; Custodian, \$20.89 per hour, effective date TBA, pending successful results of background checks

6. Supplemental Contracts

Recommend the Board to approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2022-2023 school year:

Certificated

- a. Rob Ballinger; Track, Assistant Varsity Coach, V-3-M, \$4,510.50
- b. Alison McKnight; Softball, Middle School Coach, V-1-4, \$2,706.30
- c. Roni Pettit; LPDC Coordinator, V-1-2, \$2,706.30
- d. Jason Peters; Wellness for Life, Spring, V-3-M, \$4,510.50
- e. Jason Peters; Wellness for Life, Summer, V-3-M, \$4,510.50
- f. Tyler Fitzgerald; Baseball, Head Coach, II-3-10, \$6,314.70 pending successful results of background checks

Non-Certificated

- a. Ryan Robertson; Track, Head Coach, Boys & Girls, I-2-5, \$6,540.23
- b. Kristy Mason; Softball, Head Coach, II-3-M, \$6,314.70
- c. Jason Drum; Baseball, Middle School Coach (.5 FTE), V-1-2, \$1,353.15
- d. Jon Rodriguez; Baseball, Middle School Coach (.5 FTE), V-1-2, \$1,353.15

- e. Garrett Griffin; Baseball, Assistant Varsity Coach, V-2-9, \$3,382.88 pending successful background check results
- f. Christopher Reeder; Track, Middle School Coach, V-1-4, \$2,706.30
- g. Cana Ingalls; Track, Assistant Varsity Coach, V-1-1, \$2,706.30
- h. Emily Smith; Softball, Assistant Varsity Coach, V-1-1, \$2,706.30
- i. Ben McCollough; Tennis, Head Coach, Boys, III-1-2, \$3,833.93
- j. Jason Diwik; Baseball, Middle School Coach, V-2-7, \$3,382.88

7. Stipend Contracts

Recommend the Board to approve the following stipend contracts for the 2022-2023 school year:

Certificated

- a. Trillion Richter; Science Olympiad, \$1,500
- b. Emily Meister; LPDC Building Representative, \$1,500
- c. Roni Pettit; Outdoor Education, \$2,200
- d. Jill Walker; Outdoor Education, \$2,200
- e. Nicole Wainscott; Outdoor Education, \$2,200
- f. Brittany Sharma; Outdoor Education, \$2,200

Non-Certificated

- a. Suzanne Mets; Science Olympiad, \$1,500
- b. Bryce Wessel; Science Olympiad, \$1,500

8. Spring Musical Personnel

Recommend the Board approve the following Spring Musical Personnel, to be paid from the activity account (300-9105) for the 2022-2023 school year:

- a. Brian Horne; Pit orchestra player, \$400
- b. Dave Lehnus; Pit orchestra player, \$400
- c. Drew Martin; Pit orchestra player, \$400
- d. Dave Miller; Pit orchestra player, \$447.25
- e. Amy Miller; Pit orchestra player, \$447.25
- f. Cheridy (Dee) Saunders; Pit orchestra player, \$400

9. FMLA Requests

Recommend the Board approve the following FMLA requests:

- a. Sarah Feeney; Kindergarten teacher, estimated 4 weeks, beginning 3/10/2023

10. Kids' Club Separation of Employment

Recommend the Board accept the following separation of employment:

- a. Hannah Laux; Recreation Leader, effective 01/09/2023
- b. Mackenzie Bailey; Substitute, effective 12/2/2022

11. Kids' Club Personnel

Recommend the Board approve the following Kids' Club new hire:

- a. Savannah Youngholm; Recreation Leader, \$15.72 per hour, effective 2/13/2023 pending successful results of background checks

Mrs. Gephart seconded the motion

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Board Policy and Procedure

Policy Committee Report

Mr. Gusé reported the Policy Committee met last week to review and discuss policy updates for consideration from OSBA. Those policies are included tonight for the Board's first reading.

Mr. Culp also reported that he asked the Policy Committee to consider and make a recommendation regarding a policy for tuition reimbursement for administrators.

First Reading of Policies

1. Board Policies

Recommend the Board consider the following policies on first reading:

- a. GBCB – Staff Conduct
- b. KGB – Public Conduct on District Property
- c. JFE – Student Pregnancy and Related Conditions
- d. KKA – Recruiters in the Schools
- e. AC – Nondiscrimination
- f. ACAA – Sexual Harassment
- g. IGBB – Programs or Students Who Are Gifted
- h. IKEB – Acceleration
- i. JEBA – Early Entrance to Kindergarten
- j. GCL-R – Professional Staff Development Opportunities

Discussion

The Board of Education asked for additional clarification on the changes being recommended to the policy on early entrance to kindergarten.

Mrs. Angie Ullum explained that the acceleration portion of the policy has remained the same because we used the ODE-approved tool for acceleration (e.g. graduating early, skipping a grade, etc.). The portion of the policy that changes is related to early entrance to kindergarten. The Department of Education allows only two dates to utilize for entrance to kindergarten – Aug 1 or Sep 30. Grandview Heights uses Aug 1. Our policy, as previously written, was not completely aligned and this update aligns the policy to ensure that we are using a consistent tool to evaluate early entrance, as is done for acceleration. That tool does take into consideration parent and teacher input.

Curriculum and Instruction

Teaching and Learning Committee Report

Mrs. Ullum reported the Committee met and discussed the following:

- New dyslexia law;
- Pre-apprentice workshop sponsored by the ESCCO which would allow apprenticeships for our students;
- School Links, a new application being used to assist students with career counseling; and
- Teams of Stevenson Elementary teachers visiting other new and renovated school buildings.

Recommendations for Approval (Motion 23-057) Ms. Wassmuth moved to approve the following:

1. 2023-2024 Course Selection Handbook

Recommend the Board approve changes to the 2023-2024 Course Selection Handbook.

Mr. Gusé seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Co-Curricular Activities and Extracurricular Activities

Recommendations for Approval (Motion 23-058) Ms. Wassmuth moved to approve the following:

1. Resolution for OHSAA Membership for the 2023-2024 School Year

Recommend the board approve the following resolution:

Board of Education/Governing Board Resolution Authorizing 2023-2024 Membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association / GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS SCHOOLS, District IRN number: 44073

WHEREAS, Grandview Heights City Schools of 1587 West Third Avenue, Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio has satisfied all the requirements for membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association, a voluntary unincorporated association not for profit; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education/Governing Board (“Board”) and its Administration desire for the schools with one or more grades at the 7-12 grade level under their jurisdiction to be voluntary Members of the OHSAA;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education/Governing Board that all schools listed on the reverse side of this card do hereby voluntarily renew membership in the OHSAA and that in doing so, the Constitution, Bylaws and Business Rules of the OHSAA are hereby adopted by this Board as and for its own minimum student-athletic eligibility requirements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board reserves the right to raise the student-athlete eligibility standards as it deems appropriate for the schools and students under its jurisdiction; and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the schools under this Board's jurisdiction agree to conduct their athletic programs in accordance with the Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations, Business Rules, interpretations and decisions of the OHSAA and to cooperate fully and timely with the Executive Director's Office of the OHSAA in all matters related to the interscholastic athletic programs of the schools. Furthermore, the schools under this Board's jurisdiction agree to be primary enforcers of the OHSAA Constitution, Bylaws, Sports Regulation, Business Rules and the interpretations and rulings rendered by the Executive Director's Office. The administrative heads of these schools understand that failure to discharge the duty of primary enforcement may result in fines, removal from tournaments, suspension from membership and/or other such penalties as prescribed in Bylaw 11.

2. Field Trip

Recommend the Board approve the following field trip for FIRST Robotics Team to the Miami Valley Competition in Dayton, Ohio:

- a. March 15-18, 2023
- b. 30 Students/4 Chaperones
- c. Transportation via school van provided by the school district
- d. Meals and lodging costs to be determined

3. Volunteers

Recommend the Board approve the following volunteer:

- a. Jennifer Halda Abbruzzese
- b. Aaron Joseph Barone
- c. Blaine Lee
- d. Brian Lee
- e. Zackarie William Mann
- f. Lillian Meredith McGee
- g. Trenton Rink
- h. James R. Tolliver

Mr. Bode seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment

Motion 23-059 (Adjourn) Ms. Wassmuth moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Matney seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.

President Gephart declared the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

President

Treasurer



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**Same Faces,
New Places**

Honoring Tradition. Building Excellence.

From 1923 to 2023, the tradition was established. Now we get to build on that foundation, in renewed fashion!



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Building Renovation = Teaching and Learning Renovation

- Large format displays and adaptable furniture - increases collaboration opportunities, varying teaching strategies, overall increased engagement
- State-of-the-art technology - being used and incorporated into lessons and for student presentations



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- Science rooms - flexible lectures and laboratory experiments, various room formats being utilized
- Auditorium - overwhelming response is simply WOW
- Art room - students ideas are driving the space
- Room designs - rooms are being extended into collaborative spaces



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What are the
students saying?



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Where to now?

- Over time, make GHHS our own
- Grow within the new space
- Provide our students with diversified curriculum options, college and career opportunities that are readily accessible, continue to promote and foster a culture of love and support



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District (K-12) MTSS Updates for 22.23

Our mission is to maximize and personalize every student's learning.

MTSS, A Brief Review...

Why MTSS

The purpose is to have a systemic approach to layers of student support systems. MTSS is a framework to provide academic, behavioral, and social/emotional strategies to students with a variety of needs. Teams analyze tier 1 (whole school) and individual student data to ensure there is a proactive approach to identifying student needs and enriching learning opportunities.

MTSS, A Brief Review...

What it is

- Sound tier-1 instruction provided to all students
- Systemic approach to find the “why” and ensure conditions are in place so that all students can grow academically, behaviorally, and emotionally
- Use of data to provide a tiered level of support for students
- Meetings to problem solve, create goals, and progress monitor
- An opportunity to partner with families to collaboratively problem-solve
- Creation of students support plan based on data
- Multi-disciplinary approach that everyone owns, not just a case-manager or counselor

What it is *not*

- Only for students who are at-risk
- A ‘fast-track’ to special education.
- Based upon single data points
- Only for students who are having difficulty academically

Where Are We?

Prior to 22.23

Each school had a team with a process for tier 3 referrals, meetings, and plans

Success

Creating plans with students/ parents

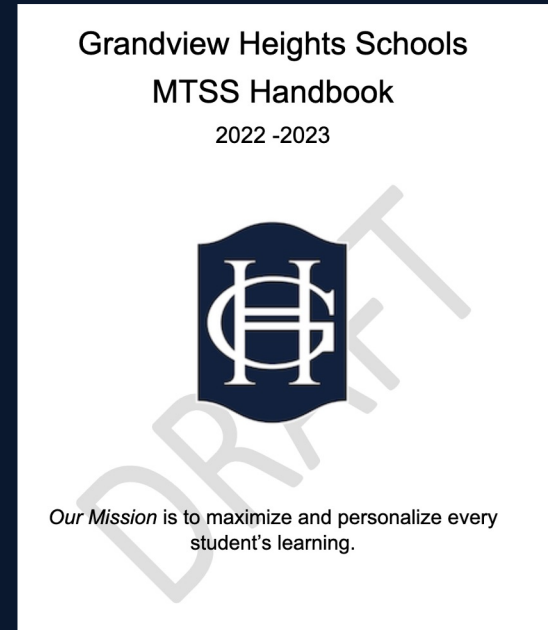
Reading intervention

Focus on individual students

Challenge

Tier 1 instruction/ data analysis

Progress Monitoring



Focus for 2022.23... and Beyond

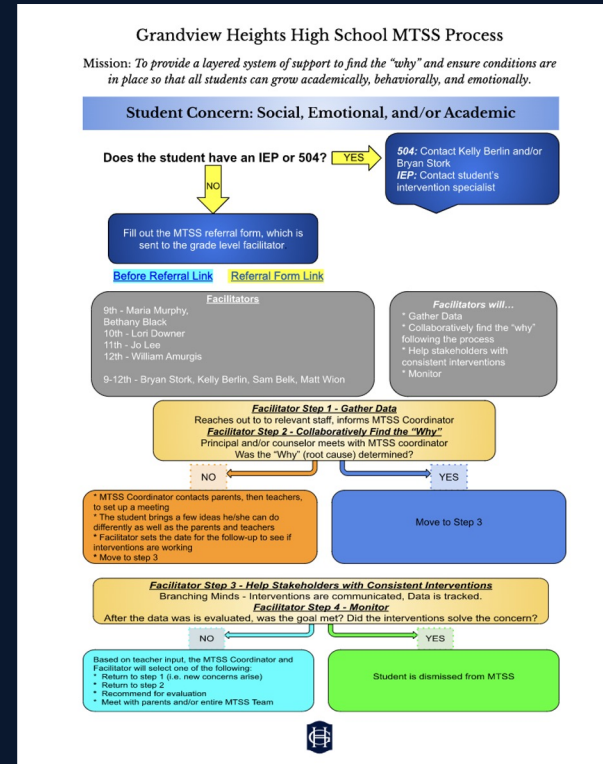
Current School Year, 22.23

- K-12 Universal System
- K-12 Handbook (draft)
- Slow roll out to all staff
- Clear and simple systems and structures
- Communication (drafts)
- Progress Monitoring
- Partnering with districts

2023.24

- Inventory of 22.23
- All staff trained using Branching Minds (MTSS Teams)
- Finalized Handbook
- Communication to all stakeholders

MTSS K-12



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