

ELPS Updates ***October 24, 2021***

Board of Education Meeting – Monday, October 25, 2021

The ELPS Board of Education will be holding its next regular meeting Monday, October 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room in East Lansing High School. The meeting will be held in person and will be live streamed. Here is a link to the live stream of tomorrow night's meeting: <https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/events/east-lansing-high-school-east-lansing-mi/evt1fd466ec85>

October is Principal Appreciation Month

Please join me in recognizing and appreciating our group of hard-working and highly-dedicated administrators - they have shown incredible leadership during these challenging times, and I feel very fortunate to work with such a talented group of leaders who are committed to the well-being and success of all of our students.

Andrew Wells, East Lansing High School Principal

Ashley Schwarzbek, East Lansing High School Associate Principal

Quiana Davis, East Lansing High School Associate Principal

Nikki Norris, East Lansing High School Director of Athletics and Activities

Amy Martin, MacDonald Middle School Principal

John Atkinson, MacDonald Middle School Associate Principal

Tracey Barton, Donley Elementary School Principal

Lorraine Ware, Glencairn Elementary School Principal

Josh Robertson, Marble Elementary School Principal

Rinard Pugh, Red Cedar Elementary School Principal

Amy Webster, Robert L. Green Elementary School Principal

Shane Johnson, Whitehills Elementary School Principal

ELPS Seeking Paraprofessionals and Other Staff

We still have a few paraprofessional and other positions available. If you or someone you know is interested in helping to support our students, we would love to have you join our team.

Here is a link to apply for our open positions - teaching, coaching and lunch monitor positions are available, too

- <https://www.applitrack.com/IASEC/onlineapp/jobpostings/view.asp?internaltransferform.Url=&choosedistrict=true&applitrackclient=43651>

COVID-19 Testing Update

Beginning November 1, our weekly COVID testing program will be moving to individual testing in place of the pool testing that is currently in place. There is no change to the actual testing process, so students and staff won't notice a difference. Currently, up to ten swabs are pooled together when sent to the lab for processing - should a "pool" come back positive, each of these individuals would be retested individually. This testing program, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, will now provide for individual testing, which will eliminate the potential need for retesting students in the event of a positive pool result.

COVID-19 Reporting and Communicating

Here is a link to the district's COVID-19 dashboard. Positive school-related cases must be posted on this site within 24 hours of the district learning of the case. If we are notified of a case over the weekend, updates will be posted Monday.

<https://elps.us/our-district/district-covid-19-dashboard/>

COVID-19 Guidance from the Ingham County Health Department

The ICHD has updated its COVID-19 guidance documents for schools to align with the new Emergency Orders. You can access these documents with the following link:

<https://hd.ingham.org/Portals/HD/Home/Documents/cd/coronavirus/ICHDSchoolCOVIDHandouts.pdf>