

The Blanchester Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, June 29, 2026 at 7:00 pm in the auxiliary cafeteria in the Blanchester Middle School at 957 Cherry Street, Blanchester, OH 45107

Meeting Called to Order

Roll Call

In attendance: Mike Williams, John Panetta, Chris Baker, Tyler Binkley and Aaron Brewster

Superintendent Randy Dunlap and Treasurer Alleyn Unversaw were in attendance along with the following who signed in for the meeting: Eric Lawson, Donna Gosney, Barb Lambros, Jeryl Weis, Mandy Baynes, Rachelle Powers, Andre Gendreau, Brad Ballinger, Andy Hamm, Rachel Bishop, Raechel Purdon.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda with corrections

Mr. Panetta made the motion and Mr. Brewster seconded. All present voted to approve the agenda as presented.

Approval of the Minutes from May 18, 2026 Regular Board Meeting and the Minutes from May 27, 2026 Special Board Meeting

Mr. Binkley made the motion and Mr. Baker seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the March 16, 2026 Regular Board Meeting and the Minutes from May 27, 2026 Special Board Meeting . All present voted in favor of approving the minutes as presented.

Welcome, Recognitions, and Public Participation of Agenda Items

Business of the Board

Mr. Baker made the motion and Mr. Binkley seconded the motion to accept all items included under Business of the Board.

- Approve the following donations

DONATOR	AMOUNT	FUND
Eagles	\$4,700.00	Football
Great Oaks	\$3,000.00	Football
Boosters	\$202.50	Girls Soccer

Mirror Image	\$150.00	Girls Soccer
Eagles	\$1,500.00	Girls Soccer
Kroger Rewards	\$42.62	Boys Basketball
Kroger Rewards	\$62.81	HS NHS
Athletic Boosters	\$1,968.60	Athletic Fund
Campus Box Media	\$102.50	HS Cheer

- Approve the new policy EDEC-Artificial Intelligence.
- Approve the changes to the student handbook for the 2026-2027 school year.
- Approve the minimum payment in lieu of transportation for the 2025-2026 school year in accordance with ORC 3327.02 the board of education may determine that it is impractical to transport a pupil who is eligible for transportation to and from under ORC 3327.01.
 - Joshua and Christy Haines for transporting one student to Milford Christian Academy.
- Approve the contract with Ohio Valley Voices for audiology services for the 2026-2027 school year.
- 2026/2027 Nutritional Standards Compliance Report.
- Approve EPC Health Insurance Rates for 1/1/2027 - 12/31/2027
- Approve the recommended increase of school lunch by \$0.25 - (K-3) from \$3.25 to \$3.50 and (4-12) from \$3.50 to \$3.75. The request is due to increasing food costs to the district and reduced Federal Subsidies.
- Approve a three year leave of absence for Barb Prater beginning 6/11/2026 and ending 6/10/2029
- Approve sending our 2026 field commander, Ezekiel Peters, to the George N. Parks Drum Major Academy, held at Otterbein University from July 6 through 9. Fee is paid by the music boosters.
- Approve BLSD Local Literacy Plan for 2026-2027
- Board Approval to distribute of the total stipend of \$4000 equally from the University of Cincinnati for participation in, and completion of, the first of two years of leadership support in the AiPL project (Advanced Inclusive Principal Leadership) to the following participants: Eric Lawson, Andy Hamm, Georgette McClain, Kyle Hamilton, Kristin Unversaw and Randy Dunlap.
- Approve the change order asphalt improvements to the long jump runways.
- Approve the change order for cement stabilization of the track base before asphalt is laid.

- Approve Statement of Work for our Literacy Coaching - CollabWorks LLC, contracting 60 days of literacy coaching paid for by the CLSD grant.
- Approve Statement of Work for our Literacy Coaching - Wayne Literacy & Leadership LLC, contracting 30 days of literacy coaching paid for by the CLSD grant.
- Approve Statement of Work for our HQIM Plan -Rivet Education, contracting for coaching, implementation planning, data analysis and site-based support of high-quality instructional materials (HQIM) in English Language Arts paid for by the CLSD grant.
- Approve the provider agreement with the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center for Board Certified Behavior Analyst Services for the 2026-2027 school year.
- Approve the service agreements with the Southern Ohio Educational Service Center for students that will be served at the Southern Ohio Learning Center during the 2026-2027 school year.
- Approve the carryover of unused vacation days for the following district employees:
 - Jenna Stanley
 - Heather Mandelstein
 - Caryn McCarty
- Approve Severance Amounts:
 - Mary Ann Reinhart - \$27,521.09
 - Joyce Crosley - \$1,849.50
 - Angela Kees - \$28,327.38
 - Lynn Bengston - \$10,491.33

All present voted to approve Business of the Board.

Business of the Treasurer

Mr. Panetta made a motion and Mr. Baker seconded to approve the Business of the Treasurer.

- **Review Financial Report(s)**
 - Cash Summary
 - Checks Written
 - Cash Flow Report
 - Cash Flow to Forecast Report
- **Transfers**
 - Approve the transfer from Title II-A to Title I in the amount of \$3,537.70 (May).
 - Approve the transfer from Title IV-A to Title I in the amount of \$2,057.43 (May).
 - Approve the transfer from Title II-A to Title I in the amount of \$3,558.38 (June).

- Approve the transfer from Title IV-A to Title I in the amount of \$2,069.46 (June).
- **Approve New Funds as Required by the Ohio Auditor of State to Track Restricted General Fund Dollars**
 - 001-911X DPIA
 - 001-915X CAREER TECH
 - 001-916X GIFTED
 - 001-917X ENGLISH LEARNER
 - 001-918X STUDENT WELLNESS & SUCCESS
- FY 2026 Final Appropriations (see attached to minutes)
- FY 2027 Initial Appropriations (see attached to minutes)

All present voted to approve the Business of the Treasurer.

Business of the Superintendent with Corrections

Mr. Binkley made a motion and Mr. Panetta seconded to approve the Business of the Superintendent with corrections.

It is recommended that the following personnel be employed as listed, subject to maintaining appropriate Certification/Licensure. Salary will be based upon the adopted salary schedule and will reflect the appropriate steps for training and experience.

- **Certified Personnel**
 - **Transfers**
 - Approve the voluntary transfer of Renee Wooddell from Intervention Specialist to Intervention Specialist Resource Room-4th/5th grade.
 - Approve the voluntary transfer of April Meyer from 8th grade Intervention Specialist to 5th grade Intervention Specialist.
 - **Certified Staffing**
 - Accept the resignation of Jim West from his teaching position effective at the end of his current contract.
 - Accept the resignation of Sherry Simmerman from her intervention specialist position at the end of her 25-26 contract.
 - Accept the resignation of Bryce Martin from his intervention specialist position.
 - Rachel Purdin-Up to a max of 5 days extended time at per diem for summer administrative work timesheet.
 - Tessa Spriggs-Up to a max of 5 days extended time at per diem for summer administrative work timesheet.

It is recommended that the following contracts be approved for the 2026-2027 school year:

NAME	BUILDING	POSITION	SCHEDULE/ STEP
Ashley Hammond	Putman	Intervention Specialist	9 1 year contract
Mandy Baynes	HS	Art Teacher	5 1 year contract
Andre Gendreau	HS	PE/Health Teacher	10 1 year contract
Gabrielle Rollins	MS	Intervention Specialist	0 1 year contract
Bradley Dieterich	MS	Intervention Specialist	0 1 year contract

It is recommended that the following administrative contract be approved for the 2026-2027 school year:

NAME	CONTRACT	SALARY SCHEDULE	STEP
Rachelle Powers	2 year	250 days Transportation Supervisor	10

It is recommended that the following administrative contract renewals be approved for the 2026-2027 school year:

NAME	CONTRACT	SALARY SCHEDULE	STEP
Emily Ledford	3 year	Admin 2 / 224 days Student Services Director	3
Kristin Unversaw	3 year	Admin 2 / 224 days Special Education Director	5

- **Certified Substitutes**
 - None
- **Supplemental Contracts**

It is recommended that the following supplemental contracts be approved for the 2026-2027 school year:

NAME	BUILDING	POSITION	PAYROLL
David Wood	HS	Band Director	3
Angelyn Buchanan	MS	NJHS Advisor	3

- **Classified Personnel**

- **Classified Staffing**

- Approve the resignation of Jonda English from her 3 hr cook position to accept the position of 6 hr Head Cook.
 - Approve the resignation of Joe Carpenter effective 6/26/2026 from his 2nd Shift Custodial Position.
 - Angie Bishop - 2 days a week for 4 hours a day for office paperwork for June and July per timesheet
 - Approve the resignation of Lisa Begley for retirement purposes effective 8/01/2026 from her Bus Driver Position.

- **Transfers**

- none

- **Classified Substitutes**

- Richard Bowles- sub bus driver (approve for the 2026-2027 school year)

- **Supplemental Contracts**

It is recommended that the following supplemental contracts be approved for the 2026-2027 school year:

NAME	BUILDING	POSITION	STEP
Rylee Howard	HS	Color Guard Advisor	3
Kaylie Paugh	HS	Percussion Advisor	3
Kacie Sizer	HS	Assistant JV Volleyball	1
Kyle Hamilton	HS	Varsity Girls Soccer	3
Cora Lauder milk	MS	Football Cheer	3

Brittlyn Call	HS	Varsity Volleyball	1
Kevin Brown	MS	Events Manager	3

○ **Volunteers (non-employees):**

Matt Kroger-Band

Nathan Wood-Band

Brant Bandow-Asst Soccer Coach

Tanner Kellerman-Asst Soccer Coach

All present voted to approve the Business of the Superintendent with corrections.

Other

● **Discussion Items**

- Board policy- JEDA-Truancy (1st reading)
- Board policy- JED-Attendance (1st reading)
- Board policy - DJH-Credit Cards(1st reading)
- Board policy - JHCD-Administering Medicines to Students (1st reading)
- Board policy - JHCD-R(3): Administering Medicines to Students-Use of Epinephrine Delivery System (1st reading)
- Board Policy - JED-R: (1st reading) Remove policy

Adjournment

Mr. Panetta made the motion and Mr. Binkley seconded the motion to adjourn. All present voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 pm.

Board President

Treasurer

FY 2026 PERMANENT APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

BLANCHESTER LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.38

The Board of Education of Blanchester Local School District, Clinton County, Ohio, met in regular session on the 29th day of June 2026, at Blanchester Middle School with the following members present.

Mike Williams - Present

John Panetta - Present

Chris Baker - Present

Tyler Binkley - Present

Aaron Brewster - Present

Mr. Panetta made a motion to approve the Permanent Appropriations Resolution, 412 Certificate, and Appropriation Resolution Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2026.

Mr. Baker seconded the approval of the Permanent Appropriations and the roll called upon its adoption, the following vote resulted as follows:

Mike Williams - Yes

John Panetta - Yes

Chris Baker - Yes

Tyler Binkley - Yes

Aaron Brewster - Yes

CERTIFICATE
(O.R.C 5705.412)

RE: 2026 PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the Blanchester Local School District has sufficient funds to meet the contract, obligation, payment, or expenditure for the above, and has in effect for the remainder of the fiscal year and succeeding fiscal year the authorization to levy taxes which, when combined with the estimated revenue from all other sources available to the district at the time of certification, are sufficient to provide operating revenues necessary to enable the district to maintain all personnel, programs, and services essential to the provision of an adequate educational program on all days set forth in its adopted school calendar for the current fiscal year for a number of days in the succeeding fiscal year equal to the number of days instruction was held or is scheduled for the current fiscal year, except that if the above expenditure is for a contract, this certification shall cover the term of the contract or current fiscal year plus two immediately succeeding fiscal years, whichever period of year is greater.

Dated June 30, 2026

By: Allyson Umersaw

Treasurer

By: Randy Schultz

Superintendent

By: Mark Paul

President, Board of Education

Reporting Period: June 2026 (FY 2026)

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BLANCHESTER LOCAL
Appropriations Resolution Report

Rev. Code Sec. 5705.38

Fiscal Year: 2026

BLANCHESTER LOCAL

Include Zero Balance Accounts: false

	Total Appropriation
001 GENERAL	\$ 19,615,336.89
002 DEBT RETIREMENT	\$ 25,507.27
003 PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT	\$ 937,963.46
006 FOOD SERVICE	\$ 663,110.89
007 SPECIAL TRUST	\$ 32,995.37
008 ENDOWMENT	\$ 6,600.00
018 PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT	\$ 45,326.87
019 OTHER GRANT	\$ 192,968.36
024 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SELF INS.	\$ 399,290.68
031 UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK FUND	\$ 11,000.00
035 TERMINATION BENEFITS - HB426	\$ 100,000.00
200 STUDENT MANAGED ACTIVITY	\$ 140,641.29
300 DISTRICT MANAGED ACTIVITY	\$ 319,287.05
451 DATA COMMUNICATION FUND	\$ 6,174.84
499 MISCELLANEOUS STATE GRANT FUND	\$ 65,455.36
516 IDEA, PART B SPECIAL EDUCATION, ASSISTANCE FOR ALL CHILDREN WITH	\$ 378,289.66
516 9025 IDEA FY25	\$ 53,232.13
516 9026 IDEA FY26	\$ 325,057.53
572 TITLE I DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN	\$ 520,274.76
572 9025 TITLE I FY25	\$ 76,384.16
572 9026 TITLE I FY26	\$ 443,890.60
584 TITLE IV, PART A, STUDENT SUPPORT AND ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS	\$ 73,020.23
584 9025 TITLE IV-A FY25	\$ 6,230.84
584 9026 TITLE IV-A FY26	\$ 28,608.35
584 9124 STRONGER CONNECTIONS GRANT FY24	\$ 38,181.04
587 IDEA PART B, SPECIAL EDUCATION, ASSISTANCE FOR ALL CHILDREN WITH	\$ 15,646.33
587 9025 IDEA PRESCHOOL-HANDICAPPED	\$ 2,585.74
587 9026 IDEA EARLY CHILDHOOD FY27	\$ 13,060.59
590 IMPROVING TEACHER QUALITY	\$ 66,194.45
590 9025 TITLE II A FY25	\$ 17,003.09
590 9026 TITLE II A FY26	\$ 49,191.36
599 MISCELLANEOUS FED. GRANT FUND	\$ 284,390.00
599 9026 COMPREHENSIVE LITERACY FY26 CFDA 84.371C	\$ 284,390.00
Grand Total All Funds	\$ 23,899,473.76

Appropriation Recap Report

Governmental Fund Type		Total Appropriation
General Fund		
001 GENERAL		\$ 19,615,336.89
Total for General Fund		\$ 19,615,336.89
Special Revenue		
007 SPECIAL TRUST		\$ 16,079.19
018 PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT		\$ 45,326.87
019 OTHER GRANT		\$ 192,968.36
031 UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK FUND		\$ 11,000.00
035 TERMINATION BENEFITS - HB426		\$ 100,000.00
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584 TITLE IV, PART A, STUDENT SUPPORT AND ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS		\$ 73,020.23
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590 IMPROVING TEACHER QUALITY		\$ 66,194.45
599 MISCELLANEOUS FED. GRANT FUND		\$ 284,390.00
Total for Special Revenue		\$ 2,234,748.39
Debt Service		
002 DEBT RETIREMENT		\$ 25,507.27
Total for Debt Service		\$ 25,507.27
Capital Projects		
003 PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT		\$ 937,963.46
Total for Capital Projects		\$ 937,963.46
Total for Governmental Fund Type		\$ 22,813,556.01
Proprietary Fund Type		
Enterprise		
006 FOOD SERVICE		\$ 663,110.89
Total for Enterprise		\$ 663,110.89
Internal Service		
007 SPECIAL TRUST		\$ 14,916.18
024 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SELF INS.		\$ 399,290.68
Total for Internal Service		\$ 414,206.86
Total for Proprietary Fund Type		\$ 1,077,317.75
Fiduciary Fund Type		
Investment Trust Fund		
008 ENDOWMENT		\$ 6,600.00
Total for Investment Trust Fund		\$ 6,600.00
Private Purpose Trust Fund		
007 SPECIAL TRUST		\$ 2,000.00
Total for Private Purpose Trust Fund		\$ 2,000.00
Total for Fiduciary Fund Type		\$ 8,600.00
Grand Total All Funds		\$ 23,899,473.76

FY2027 INITIAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION
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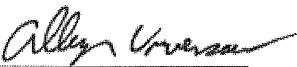
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John Panetta - Yes
Chris Baker - Yes
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Dated June 29, 2026

By: 

Treasurer

By: 

Superintendent

By: 

President, Board of Education

Reporting Period: June 2026 (FY 2026)

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BLANCHESTER LOCAL
Appropriations Resolution Report

Rev. Code Sec. 5705.38

Fiscal Year: 2027

BLANCHESTER LOCAL

Include Zero Balance Accounts: false

	Total Appropriation
001 GENERAL	\$ 20,099,888.00
002 DEBT RETIREMENT	\$ 25,507.27
003 PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT	\$ 950,000.00
006 FOOD SERVICE	\$ 667,110.89
007 SPECIAL TRUST	\$ 35,000.00
008 ENDOWMENT	\$ 6,600.00
018 PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT	\$ 50,000.00
019 OTHER GRANT	\$ 250,000.00
024 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SELF INS.	\$ 398,478.68
031 UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK FUND	\$ 11,000.00
035 TERMINATION BENEFITS - HB426	\$ 143,528.21
200 STUDENT MANAGED ACTIVITY	\$ 160,000.00
300 DISTRICT MANAGED ACTIVITY	\$ 326,772.95
499 MISCELLANEOUS STATE GRANT FUND	\$ 6,881.70
516 IDEA, PART B SPECIAL EDUCATION, ASSISTANCE FOR ALL CHILDREN WITH	\$ 363,050.91
516 9026 IDEA FY26	\$ 37,993.38
516 9027 IDEA FY27	\$ 325,057.53
572 TITLE I DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN	\$ 481,729.55
572 9026 TITLE I FY26	\$ 71,719.55
572 9027 TITLE I FY27	\$ 410,010.00
584 TITLE IV, PART A, STUDENT SUPPORT AND ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS	\$ 35,409.16
584 9026 TITLE IV-A FY26	\$ 6,800.81
584 9027 TITLE IV-A FY26	\$ 28,608.35
587 IDEA PART B, SPECIAL EDUCATION, ASSISTANCE FOR ALL CHILDREN WITH	\$ 13,060.59
587 9027 IDEA EARLY CHILDHOOD FY26	\$ 13,060.59
590 IMPROVING TEACHER QUALITY	\$ 60,885.19
590 9026 TITLE II A FY26	\$ 11,693.83
590 9027 TITLE II A FY27	\$ 49,191.36
599 MISCELLANEOUS FED. GRANT FUND	\$ 606,628.00
599 9027 COMPREHENSIVE LITERACY FY27 CFDA 84.371C	\$ 606,628.00
Grand Total All Funds	\$ 24,691,531.10

Appropriation Recap Report

		Total Appropriation
Governmental Fund Type		
General Fund		
001 GENERAL		\$ 20,099,888.00
Total for General Fund		\$ 20,099,888.00
Special Revenue		
007 SPECIAL TRUST		\$ 16,079.19
008 ENDOWMENT		\$ 6,600.00
018 PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT		\$ 50,000.00
019 OTHER GRANT		\$ 250,000.00
031 UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK FUND		\$ 11,000.00
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590 IMPROVING TEACHER QUALITY		\$ 60,885.19
599 MISCELLANEOUS FED. GRANT FUND		\$ 606,628.00
Total for Special Revenue		\$ 2,531,625.45
Debt Service		
002 DEBT RETIREMENT		\$ 25,507.27
Total for Debt Service		\$ 25,507.27
Capital Projects		
003 PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT		\$ 950,000.00
Total for Capital Projects		\$ 950,000.00
Total for Governmental Fund Type		\$ 23,607,020.72
Proprietary Fund Type		
Enterprise		
006 FOOD SERVICE		\$ 667,110.89
Total for Enterprise		\$ 667,110.89
Internal Service		
024 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SELF INS.		\$ 398,478.68
Total for Internal Service		\$ 398,478.68
Total for Proprietary Fund Type		\$ 1,065,589.57
Fiduciary Fund Type		
Private Purpose Trust Fund		
007 SPECIAL TRUST		\$ 18,920.81
Total for Private Purpose Trust Fund		\$ 18,920.81
Total for Fiduciary Fund Type		\$ 18,920.81
Grand Total All Funds		\$ 24,691,531.10

