

**ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BUDGET WORKSHOP / REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**March 19, 2015  
Elwood Middle School Auditorium - 7:30 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

- A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Board President (7:30 p.m. – 7:35 p.m.)
- B. CALL TO ORDER** – District Clerk
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)** (7:35 p.m. – 7:40 p.m.) (TAB A)  
1. Business Meeting – February 12, 2015
- D. COMMENDATIONS** (7:40 p.m. – 7:55 p.m.)  
This section of the agenda gives the Board of Education an opportunity to publicly recognize and commend individuals for outstanding accomplishments or contributions made to Elwood schools. Tonight we honor:
- Kelsey J. Hackett and Bridget Ann Leighton, finalists in the National Merit Scholarship program*
- Emily Taylor, Winner of the 2015 Suffolk County Pole Vault Championship*
- Varsity Wrestling Team, winners of the Suffolk County Dual Meet Wrestling Team Championship:*
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| <i>Brandon Aviles</i>    | <i>Jake Blanton</i>     | <i>Osman Bayrak</i>     |
| <i>Christopher Bosco</i> | <i>Quentin Caffrey</i>  | <i>Damien Caffrey</i>   |
| <i>Andrew Friedman</i>   | <i>Derek O'Brien</i>    | <i>Joseph Franzese</i>  |
| <i>Anthony Pino</i>      | <i>Matthew Porrello</i> | <i>Edwin Rubio</i>      |
| <i>Anthony Sgambati</i>  | <i>Robert Valdez</i>    | <i>Sean Wieck</i>       |
|                          | <i>Zachary Ancewicz</i> | <i>Gregory Witthuhn</i> |
- E. BOARD RECOGNITION OF DONATIONS** (7:55 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.)
1. Target Take Charge of Education donations:
    - a. Donation of \$130.24 to fund materials and supplies at Elwood-John H. Glenn High School
    - b. Donation of \$236.46 to fund Cultural Arts programs at Elwood Middle School
    - c. Donation of \$540.37 to fund Cultural Arts programs at Harley Avenue Primary School
  2. Suffolk ASSET (Association of Suffolk County Supervisors for Educational Technologies Inc. donation of \$50 to fund a technology project presented by students of Elwood Middle School
  3. Elwood Middle School PTA donation of \$1,280 to fund the Elwood Middle School trip, Italian Food Tour of New York
- F. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS / SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS REGARDING TONIGHT'S AGENDA** – Mr. Peter C. Scordo (8:00 p.m. – 8:05 p.m.)
1. Report from Brooke Thornhill, Student Liaison
- G. RESIDENTS' REMARKS** (8:05 p.m. – 8:20 p.m.)  
The Board encourages all residents to attend its meetings, and this section of the agenda affords them the opportunity to speak. Persons wishing to speak should identify themselves and any organization they represent at the meeting. Comments should be kept as brief as possible and may not exceed three minutes (Board Policy 3452). Public discussion of matters relating to staff,

students, or others at which their reputations, privacy or right to due process could be in some way violated is prohibited.

- H. BUDGET PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION** (8:20 p.m. – 9:20 p.m.)
1. Instructional programs
  2. Technology
  3. Athletics
- I. DISCUSSION ITEMS** (9:20 p.m. – 9:25 p.m.)
1. May 8, 2015 Community Gathering
- J. FINANCIAL MATTERS** (9:25 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.) (TAB B)
1. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the following:
    - a) Treasurer's Reports for the months ended January 31 and February 28, 2015
    - b) Revenue Reports for the months ended January 31 and February 28, 2015
    - c) Cash Flow Reports for general funds for the months ended January 31 and February 28, 2015
    - d) Budget Status Reports for the months ended January 31 and February 28, 2015
    - e) Trial Balances Reports for the months ended January 31 and February 28, 2015
    - f) Executive Summary through February 28, 2015
  2. Recommend the Board approve the budget transfers.
- K. ACTION ITEMS** (9:30 p.m. – 9:40 p.m.)
- BE IT RESOLVED THAT, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following business matters be approved:
1. **Personnel Agenda** -- as per attached (TAB C)
  2. **Special Education**
    - a. Recommend the Board approve the Committee on Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services:

<u>Submitted to the Board</u>	<u>Meeting Dates</u>
February 23	December 8, 10, 17, 19; January 7 (2 meetings), 13, 21; January 16; February 4, 6
February 24	November 18, 25, 26; December 1, 10, 12, 17, 18; January 6, 8, 12, 16, 30; February 13
February 25	November 26; December 18
February 26	January 15, 21
February 27	February 12
  3. Recommend the Board approve the schedule of Board of Education meetings for the 2015-16 school year. (TAB D)
  4. Recommend the Board adopt amended Policy 5405 – Wellness Policy (*first reading*). (TAB E)
  5. Recommend the Board adopt the following textbook for use in AP Physics 1: *College Physics: A Strategic Approach, AP Edition, Knight, Jones, Field, 2015* (TAB F)
  6. **Business Agenda** -- as per attached (TAB G)
- L. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA**
- M. COMMUNICATIONS** -- None

**N. RESIDENTS' REMARKS**

*(9:40 p.m. – 9:55 p.m.)*

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**O. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. Legal matters
2. Personnel matters

**P. ADJOURNMENT**

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KEY:	P-1: Position Abolition	P-6: Tenure Appointments
	P-2: Position Creation	P-7: Other Appointments
	P-3: Resignations	P-8: Other
	P-4: Leaves	P-9: Changes in Table of Organization
	P-5: Terminations	

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The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the following personnel action items:

P-1-- Position Abolitions: No Recommended Actions

P-2-- Position Creations: No Recommended Actions

P-3-- Resignations:

A) Instructional:

1) **LEE BERTRAM**

Position  
Assignment  
Effective Date  
Reason

Guidance Counselor (Teacher)  
Elwood-John H. Glenn High School  
July 1, 2015  
Retirement

2) **EILEEN BYRNE**

Position  
Assignment  
Effective Date  
Reason

Teaching Assistant  
Harley Avenue Primary School  
June 30, 2015  
Retirement

3) **RANDI HANSEN**

Position  
Assignment  
Effective Date  
Reason

Elementary Teacher  
James H. Boyd Intermediate School  
July 1, 2015  
Retirement

4) **PATRICIA LIPARI**

Position  
Assignment  
Effective Date  
Reason

Elementary Teacher  
Harley Avenue Primary School  
July 1, 2015  
Retirement

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5) **ROBERT PETERS**

Position	Guidance Counselor (Teacher)
Assignment	Elwood-John H. Glenn High School
Effective Date	July 1, 2015
Reason	Retirement

P-4-- Leaves: No Recommended Actions

P-5-- Terminations: No Recommended Actions

P-6-- Tenure Appointments: No Recommended Actions

P-7-- Other Appointments:

A) Instructional: No Recommended Actions

B) Civil Service:

1) **JOYCELYN GRANT**

Position	Food Service Worker
Civil Service Title	Food Service Worker
Type of Appointment	Part-time, 4.75 hours per day, 10 months
Assignment	Elwood-John H. Glenn High School
Effective Date	March 23, 2015
Prob. Expiration Date	March 22, 2016
Certification	Civil Service (Labor Class)
Salary	In accord with the contract between the District and the Elwood Cafeteria Staff Association
Reason	To fill a vacant position on the Table of Organization

P-8-- Other (*all compensation items are included in the 2014-15 budget*):

- a) Be it resolved that the Board of Education of the Elwood Union Free School District hereby approves and ratifies a certain Memorandum of Agreement dated February, 2015, between the negotiating representatives of the Elwood Union Free School District and the negotiating representatives of the Council of Elwood Administrators and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools and the Board President to execute a new collective bargaining agreement between the parties incorporating the terms of said Memorandum of Agreement.

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- b) Recommend the Board of Education approve Nevodna Bienenstein as a part-time CSE Chairperson, to work on an as need basis effective March 13, 2015 at the compensation rate of \$350 per day to assist the District while an employee is on leave.
  - c) Recommend the Board of Education approve the following employees as scorers for the state exams as the compensation rate of \$30.00 per hour:

*Christine Guercio, Eileen Sullivan, and Robert Zimmers*

- d) Recommend the Board of Education approve the following teachers for tutoring services with compensation at the Professional Development rate of \$66.00 per hour:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>School:</u>	<u>Subject:</u>
<i>Elizabeth Jean-Louis</i>	<i>James H. Boyd Inter.</i>	<i>Reading &amp; Math</i>
<i>Shanna LaBarbera</i>	<i>Harley Avenue Primary</i>	<i>Reading</i>
<i>Pamela Rodriguez</i>	<i>Harley Avenue Primary</i>	<i>Math</i>
<i>Susanne Woods</i>	<i>James H. Boyd Inter.</i>	<i>Reading &amp; Math</i>

- e) Recommend the Board of Education approve the attached addendum to the Schedule of Substitute Teachers and Nurses and Support Staff for the 2014/2015 school year.

P-9-- Recommend the Board of Education approve the following changes in the Table of Organization:

No Recommended Actions

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ADDENDUM I TO THE ORIGINAL PERSONNEL AGENDA

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The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the following personnel action items:

P-3-- Resignations:

A) Instructional:

1) **GRACEANNA MAIELLO**

Position	LOTE (Italian) Teacher
Assignment	Elwood-John H. Glenn High School
Effective Date	July 1, 2015
Reason	Retirement

P-8-- Other (*all compensation items are included in the 2014-15 budget*):

- a) Recommend the Board of Education approve Keri Colmone as a Tutor at the Harley Avenue Primary School at the compensation rate of \$66.00 per hour.
- b) Recommend the Board of Education approve Lisa Gorman as Co-Curricular Advisor of the Homework Club at the Elwood Middle School for the second half of the 2014-15 school year at the stipend of \$3,957.
- c) Recommend the Board of Education approve the attached addendum to the Schedule of Substitute Teachers and Nurses for the 2014/2015 school year.

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ADDENDUM II TO THE ORIGINAL PERSONNEL AGENDA

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The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the following personnel action items:

P-4-- Leaves:

A) Instructional:

1) **STEPHANIE SMITH**

Position

Elementary Teacher

Assignment

Harley Avenue Primary School

Effective Date

March 16, 2015 through June 30, 2015

Reason

Personal



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**March 19, 2015**  
Business Agenda

Key: Tab 1 - Contracts  
Tab 2 - Bid Awards  
Tab 3 - Health Service Contracts  
Tab 4 - Donations  
Tab 5 - Other

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the following Business action items:

**TAB 1: CONTRACTS**

- a) Recommend the Board approve the agreement with **MBF INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES**, providing investigative services for the 2014-2015 school year; **and** that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents on behalf of the Board of Education.

**TAB 2: BID/RFP AWARDS**

**NONE**

**TAB 3: HEALTH SERVICE CONTRACTS**

**NONE**

**TAB 4: DONATIONS**

- a) Recommend the Board accept the **TARGET TAKE CHARGE OF EDUCATION** donation totaling \$130.24 funding materials & supplies at **JOHN H. GLENN HIGH SCHOOL**. The appropriate revenue and expenditure budget codes will be adjusted accordingly.
- b) Recommend the Board accept the **TARGET TAKE CHARGE OF EDUCATION** donation totaling \$236.46 funding Cultural Arts programs at **ELWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL**. The appropriate revenue and expenditure budget codes will be adjusted accordingly.
- c) Recommend the Board accept the **TARGET TAKE CHARGE OF EDUCATION** donation totaling \$540.57 funding Cultural Arts programs at **HARLEY AVENUE PRIMARY SCHOOL**. The appropriate revenue and expenditure budget codes will be adjusted accordingly.
- d) Recommend the Board accept the **SUFFOLK ASSET (Association of Suffolk County Supervisors for Educational Technologies Inc.)** donation totaling \$50.00 funding a technology project presented by students of **ELWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL**. The appropriate revenue and expenditure budget codes will be adjusted accordingly.

**TAB 5: OTHER**

- a) Recommend the Board approve the disposal request dated February 5, 2015 of various appliances at **ELWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL** due to condition and/or relevancy.
- b) Recommend the Board approve the disposal request dated February 27, 2015 of various computer equipment from the Library Media Center at **JOHN H. GLENN HIGH SCHOOL** due to condition and/or relevancy.
- c) Recommend the Board adopt the attached resolutions and accompanying documents to comply with statutory requirements in connection with the **ANNUAL PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING, VOTE & ELECTION** in May, 2015.

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**ADDENDUM TO THE ORIGINAL BUSINESS AGENDA**

**March 19, 2015**  
Board Agenda

Key: Tab 4 – Donations

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the following business action items:

**TAB 4: DONATIONS**

- e. Recommend the Board accept the **ELWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL PTA** donation of a \$1,280 to offset the cost of the **ELWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL** trip, Italian Food Tour of New York. The appropriate revenue and expenditure budget codes will be adjusted accordingly.

## WELLNESS POLICY

The Board of Education recognizes that poor nutrition and the lack of physical activity have created a health issue in this country affecting not only long-term health and well-being, but also a student's ability and motivation to learn. To positively affect our students' health and education, and to support the prevention of child, adolescent, and adult obesity, the Board of Education in consultation with the School District's Health and Nutrition Advisory Committee adopts this wellness policy.

### A. School Meals

Meals served through the national school lunch and breakfast programs will be in compliance with the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010.

- ~~Meet nutrition requirements established by local, state, and federal regulation~~
- ~~Offer a variety of fruits and vegetables~~
- ~~Support the use of whole grains~~
- ~~To the extent possible, serve only low-fat (1%) and fat free milk~~

**Breakfast** - Children should be encouraged to eat breakfast, either at home or at school, in order to meet their nutritional needs and enhance their ability to learn. Our schools will to the extent possible provide opportunities for breakfast by operating the School Breakfast Program and notifying parents and students of its availability.

**Free and Reduced Price Meals** - Schools will prevent the overt identification of students eligible for free and reduced price school meals. In accordance with the Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004, the district will establish guidelines for reimbursable school meals, which are not less restrictive than the regulations and guidance issued by the Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture.

**Sharing of Foods and Beverages** – The sharing of food is prohibited. Given concerns about allergies and other potential health risks, as well as parental rights to maintain restrictions on their children's diets, school staff shall use reasonable efforts to prevent the sharing of food or beverages during meal and snack times.

#### **Foods and Beverages Sold Outside of Reimbursable Meals:**

All food and beverages sold during the school day will comply with the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act Smart Snacks Standards. The guidelines are as follows:

- Any food sold in school must:
  - Be a whole grain-rich grain product; or
  - Have as the first ingredient a fruit, a vegetable, a dairy product, or a protein food; or
  - Be a combination food that contains at least ¼ cup of fruit and/or vegetable; or
  - Contain 10% of the Daily Value (DV) of one of the nutrients of public health concern in the 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans (calcium, potassium, vitamin D, or dietary Fiber)
- Foods must also meet the following nutrient requirements:

- Calorie limits:
  - Snack items < 200 calories
  - Entrée items < 350 calories
- Sodium limits:
  - Snack items < 230 mg
  - Entrée items < 480 mg
- Fat limits:
  - Total fat < 35% of calories
  - Saturated fat < 10% of calories
  - Trans fat zero grams
- Sugar limits:
  - < 35% of weight from total sugars in foods

### Nutrition Standards for Beverages:

All schools may sell:

- Plain water (with or without carbonation)
- Unflavored low fat milk
- Unflavored or flavored fat free milk and milk alternatives permitted by NSLP/SBP
- 100% fruit or vegetable juice and
- 100% fruit or vegetable juice diluted with water (with or without carbonation),
- And no added sweeteners

Elementary schools may sell up to 8-ounce portions, while middle schools and high schools may sell up to 12-ounce portions of milk and juice. There is no portion size limit for plain water.

### Additional beverages for High School only:

- No more than 20-ounce portions of
- Calorie-free, flavored water (with or without carbonation); and
- Other flavored and/or carbonated beverages that are labeled to contain < 5 calories per 8 fluid ounces or < 10 calories per 20 fluid ounces
- No more than 12-ounce portions of
- Beverages with < 40 calories per 8 fluid ounces, or < 60 calories per 12 fluid ounces.

~~Elementary/Middle School — All foods and beverages sold individually during the school day or through programs for students after the school day should be comprised of a variety of healthy choices. The Elwood School District follows the *NYS Choose Sensibly* guidelines as follows:~~

### ~~Beverages~~

- ~~One serving per package~~
- ~~All low fat milks, including low fat flavored milks are acceptable~~

- ~~Juice drinks must contain 100% real fruit juice~~
- ~~No more than 15 grams of sugar~~
- ~~No more than 10 mg of caffeine~~
- ~~Water or flavored waters shall not contain added sugar, artificial sweeteners or caffeine~~

### **Snacks**

- ~~One serving per package~~
- ~~No more than 7 grams of fat and 2 grams of saturated fat~~
- ~~No more than 15 grams of sugar~~
- ~~No more than 360 mg of sodium~~
- ~~Will include a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables~~

~~**High School**—In John Glenn High School, food and beverages sold individually will offer a variety of healthy choices and will include a majority of selections that fall under the *NYS Choose Sensibly Program*.~~

### **Beverages**

- ~~All low fat milks, including low fat flavored milks, are acceptable~~
- ~~Juice drinks must contain at least 25% real fruit juice~~
- ~~No more than 30 grams of sugar, per serving~~
- ~~Water or flavored waters shall not contain added sugar, sweeteners or caffeine~~

### **Snacks**

- ~~One serving per package~~
- ~~Will have no more than 40% of its calories from fat~~
- ~~No more than 30 grams of sugar~~
- ~~No more than 360 mg of sodium~~
- ~~Will include a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables~~

## **B. Food in the Classroom**

Food may be used in the classroom on a limited basis. Furthermore, all rewards and favors will be non-food based.

Food in the classroom is limited to the following:

### 1. Snacks at Harley Avenue Primary School:

A snack is food brought from home for individual consumption by elementary school children. A child's snack brought from home is a family decision and not subject to the rules and guidelines described in this wellness policy. A list of suggested healthy snacks will be provided to parents. Prior to the first day of

classes, letters will be sent home to parents of students in classes designated as “Peanut or Nut-Free Zones” with information about appropriate snacks for the class. The school nurse will contact parents of children who bring a snack to school that is non-compliant for an environment with children that may have an allergy to peanuts and/or nut products to remind them.

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2. Celebrations:

- Harley Avenue Primary School

Non-Food Birthday Celebrations:

All children’s birthdays may be celebrated on or near their actual birthdays. Food is prohibited during these celebrations. This will happen in conjunction with snack time and will include the wearing of a birthday crown and the singing of “Happy Birthday.” Goody bags are prohibited.

Classroom, Grade Level or School-wide Celebrations:

All foods brought in for classroom, grade-level or school-wide celebrations will be store bought and labeled. When food-related activities are planned in classes where children have allergies, the classroom teacher will confer with the school nurse for review. Every effort will be made to have all of the food elements of celebrations in the cafeteria instead of the classroom. The school nurse will consult with the parent and classroom teacher if extenuating circumstances exist. Again, the goal is to keep students well while ensuring that no child feels excluded.

- James H. Boyd Intermediate School

Non-Food Birthday Celebrations:

Children’s birthdays will be celebrated without food. Food and goody bags are prohibited. At the discretion of the classroom teacher or principal, the birthday child may receive alternate recognition such as a birthday pin or badge, a no-homework pass and/or having his/her name announced over the PA system.

Classroom, Grade Level or School-wide Celebrations:

All foods brought in for classroom, grade-level or school-wide celebrations will be store bought and labeled. When food-related activities are planned in classes where children have allergies, the classroom teacher will confer with the school nurse for review. Every effort will be made to have all celebrations in the cafeteria instead of the classroom. Generally speaking, all foods offered should be safe for all

children. The school nurse will consult with the parent and classroom teacher if extenuating circumstances exist. Again, the goal is to keep students safe while ensuring that no child feels excluded.

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**C. Educational Efforts Regarding Food Allergies**

Students at Harley Avenue Primary School and James H. Boyd Intermediate School shall receive the equivalent of a thirty minute training module dealing with the nature and effects of food allergies.

**D. Fundraising Activities**

Section 208 of the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act states that USDA is given authority to establish nutrition standards for all food beverages sold outside of the Federal Child Nutrition Program in schools including fundraisers. The guidelines are as follows:

- All foods that meet the nutrition standards may be sold at fundraisers during School hours
- The standards do not apply to items sold during non-school hours, weekends, or off-campus fundraising events

~~To support children's health and nutrition education efforts, the sale/distribution of food to be used in fundraising efforts during the regular school day will be limited to foods and portion sizes that meet "Choose Sensibly" guidelines and supplied from a Board of Health approved source. Additionally, the sale or distribution of certain sweetened foods will comply with New York State law.~~

**E. School Sponsored Events**

The administration will encourage that foods and beverages offered or sold at school-sponsored events outside the school day meet the nutrition standards for meals or for foods and beverages sold individually.

**F. District Health Education will continue to:**

1. Teach, encourage, and support healthy choices by students.
2. Promote good nutrition and physical education to students.
3. Encourage students to get a good night's sleep and start each day with a healthy breakfast.
4. Provide information to the community that encourages all families to teach children about the importance of good nutrition and physical activity as well as other healthy behavioral choices to foster health and well-being.
5. Integrate nutrition and exercise physiology concepts into various subject areas.

## **G. Physical Activity**

The Board of Education and Administration will assure compliance with all current NYSED rules and Commissioner's regulations pertaining to physical education and physical activity.

1. In accordance with National and State recommended guidelines, the District recognizes the benefits of providing students with at least sixty minutes of activity per day. District opportunities for physical activity may include: physical education classes, recess periods, interscholastic athletics and intramural play, and various physical activity programs.

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2. Elementary and Middle School students will continue to receive supervised recess periods during the day, preferably outdoors, during which the District expects participation in physical activity. When possible, recess may be scheduled before the student's lunch period. The Elwood School District discourages the practice of withholding recess time for disciplinary purposes.
3. Physical activity equipment will continue to be well maintained and kept safe for student use, and will be made available to all students.
4. Elementary school teachers are encouraged to develop opportunities in lesson plans that utilize physical activities, promote nutrition education and overall healthy behavioral practices.
5. The Elwood School District will continually work towards implementing a broader selection of fitness electives in the physical education program.
6. The School District may, from time to time, provide parents with information to assist them in ways to incorporate physical activity into their children's lives.
7. Physical education instruction shall be provided to students in accordance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations.
8. **Other School Based Activities**
  - a. The District Wellness Policy goals should be considered when planning school-based activities such as school events, field trips, dances and assemblies.
  - b. Students will be encouraged to adopt personal fitness plans and goals that support wellness.

## **H. Policy Oversight and Implementation**

The Wellness Policy will be adopted under the authority of the Board of Education. The district will engage students, parents, food service professionals, physical education teachers, school health professionals, the school board, administrators, and other interested community members in developing, implementing, monitoring, reviewing and updating district-wide wellness policies. This District Health and Nutrition Advisory



Committee will recommend standards and goals described in this policy to the Board of Education. The Health and Nutrition Advisory Committee's purpose is described further in EUFSD Board Policy IAB -- "*District Health and Nutrition Advisory Committee*".

It is the responsibility of the Superintendent of Schools, the Principals and the School Lunch Director, to ensure the implementation of this policy. Additionally, they will advise the Health and Nutrition Advisory Committee regarding the need for change or updates to the policy.

The Superintendent of Schools will cause the dissemination of this policy's content to all District employees and ensure best efforts to inform **and update all members of the school community** about the content and implementation of **this policy**.

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The Superintendent of Schools or designee will periodically measure and make available to the public an assessment on the implementation of this policy, including: the extent to which the schools of the district are in compliance with this policy; the extent to which this policy compares to model local school policies; and a description of the progress made in attaining the goals of this policy.

This policy will be reviewed annually or when deemed necessary by the Board of Education or the members of the Health and Nutrition Advisory Committee in order to evaluate progress, and to specifically assess the financial impact of implementation. The School Food Service Program operates on a self-sufficient basis and must remain financially solvent.

Adopted: February 12, 2009

Amended: July 1, 2013