



BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting and Budget Hearing

June 12, 2023 — 6:00 p.m.

Whitmore Lake High School Media Center



WHITMORE LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mission Statement

*Partnering with students, parents, and the community to
provide exceptional, personalized education.*

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Monday, June 13, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

Whitmore Lake High School Media Center
7430 Whitmore Lake Rd.
Whitmore Lake, MI 48189

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD OF EDUCATION ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

BUDGET HEARING

The Proposed Budget recommendations for the 2023 – 2024 school year will be reviewed. Adoption at the June 26, 2023 regular meeting will be recommended. (Attachment 1)

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

“The meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District’s business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.”

BOARD CLARIFICATION

STUDENT COUNCIL

Kimberlee Venture will present the student council report.

CONSENT ITEMS

Approval of minutes from the May 15, 2023 Board of Education Regular Meeting. (Attachment 2)

Approve fund transfer of \$423,737 in payments from Accounts Payable as per attachment 2; further, to approve the transfer of \$586,870 from Accounts Payable to cover the payrolls of May 15, 2023 and May 31, 2023. (Attachment 3)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS *MHSAA Resolution*

Motion to adopt the Michigan High School Athletic Association Resolution for the year August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2024. **Roll call vote required.** (Attachment 4)

L-4029 Tax Rate

Attachment 5 contains the L-4029 Tax Rate Request. Approval is recommended.

Paraprofessional Negotiations

Motion to approve the ratification of the contract agreement between Whitmore Lake Public Schools and the Whitmore Lake Paraprofessional Association, MEA/NEA. Approval is recommended.

Financial Report

Attachment 6 contains the Budget Performance Report for May 31, 2023. Director of Finance & Operation, Denise Kerrigan will update the Board with information regarding the financial report.

YCS Letter of Support

Motion to support the request of consolidation debt funding for Ypsilanti Community Schools. **Attachment 7**

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
Extended Learning Plan Assessment

Melissa Heuker, Director of Student Services, will share the academic assessment data with the Board in accordance with Section 98b of Public Act 144 of 2022. **Attachment 8**

OTHER INFORMATION
Letter of Congratulations

Attachment 9 contains a congratulatory letter received from the State Superintendent, Michael F. Rice regarding the passage of the recent millage restoration proposal for WLPS.

Personnel

Jennifer Sadowski has recently submitted her resignation with an effective date of June 9, 2023.

Chaille Guilloz has accepted a part-time position as Under 18 Lifeguard with a start date of May 31, 2023 and Davis Radde has accepted the part-time 18 and Over Lifeguard position in Community Recreation with a start date of June 2, 2023. Davis has also accepted the position as Private Swim Instructor with an hourly pay rate of \$27.00.

Sharon Barney has accepted the part time position as GLTW Infant Assistant and Elliot Rhodes has accepted the full time position as Summer Camp Assistant with a start date of June 12, 2023. These positions have an hourly pay rate of \$17.00.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, June 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Cole, Mr. Henry, Mrs. Kritzman, Mrs. McCully, Mr. Meadows, Mrs. Schwennesen and Mr. Zolenski

ADJOURNMENT

Participation Request” form if you wish to address the Board prior to the Public Comment section of the meeting. Please include your name, address and topic you wish to speak on. Those wishing to speak in Public Comment are limited to three (3) minutes.

0000 – BYLAWS

0160 - MEETINGS

0167.3 – Public Participation at Board Meetings

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- A. No obstructions are created between the Board and the audience.
- B. No interviews are conducted in the meeting room while the Board is in session.
- C. No commentary, adjustment of equipment, or positioning of operators is made that would distract either the Board or members of the audience while the Board is in session.

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M.C.L. 15.253(4)(5)(6), 380.1808

Revised 9/27/2010

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Anyone attending a school event who wishes to record the activity on a visual recording device shall be asked to abide by the following rules:

- A. The recorder must operate the device within the area designated by the principal or director of the activity.
- B. The camera must not block the view of any other attendees or interfere with others who seek to record the activity.
- C. Those who record or assist a recorder must not block any passageways nor interfere with any other attendee’s participation or observation of the activity.
- D. If sound is also being recorded, the recorder must not ask other attendees to be quiet or to change their behavior in order to improve the quality of the sound.
- E. If the District is recording the activity, the principal may arrange for a person to obtain a copy providing s/he agrees to provide a tape and pay whatever the principal may need to charge to cover the costs of transfer.

Where the District does not possess the appropriate license or permission to allow the recording of a copyrighted work or performance, notice will be given, when possible, prior to the exhibit or performance. Announcements shall be made at the beginning of any such exhibit or performance.

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Whitmore Lake Public Schools

2023-24 Original Budget Summary

To be Presented for Adoption
June 26, 2023

Whitmore Lake Public Schools

General Fund

BUDGET SUMMARY

	2023-24 ORIGINAL BUDGET
Revenues and Other Sources	14,167,883
Expenditures and Other Uses	14,162,407
Excess (Shortfall) of Revenues over Expenditures	<u>5,476</u>
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	1,174,031
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>1,179,507</u>
Total Fund Balance as a Percent of Revenue	8.33%

WHITMORE LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

General Fund

Revenues and Operating Transfers

Property Type	Taxable Values	Estimated Tax Revenues
PRE & Qual Agricultural	\$ 305,203,791	\$ -
Commercial Personal	\$ 7,972,755	\$ 47,837
Non-PRE	\$ 141,196,696	\$ 2,541,541
Total Taxable Value	<u>\$ 454,373,242</u>	<u>\$ 2,589,377</u>

Non-PRE Levy:	18.0000 Mills
Commercial Personal Levy:	6.0000 Mills

	2023-24 ORIGINAL BUDGET
LOCAL REVENUE:	
Property Taxes	2,600,000
Delinq/PILT Tax Collections	10,000
Interest on Investments	30,000
Kids Club, Tuition Preschool	990,000
Billboards & Facility Rental	309,380
Athletics	50,000
Other Local	125,000
TOTAL LOCAL REVENUE	<u>\$ 4,114,380</u>
STATE REVENUE:	
Proposal A	650,576
Special Ed. Headlee	649,198
Discretionary	3,300,207
At Risk - Section 31A	300,000
CTE Per Pupil Incentive	3,596
Bilingual Education	1,738
Early Literacy Targeted Instruction	23,599
Data Collection Headlee Oblig.	17,638
Hold Harmless Guarantee	5,845
Mental Health Grant	76,005
First Robotics Grant	8,081
MPERS Cost Offset	68,573
MPERS Normal Cost Offset	75,000
MPERS REFORMS - DC	50,000
MPERS One Time Deposit	577,535
MPERS UAAL Rate Stabilization	991,667
School Safety	76,009
Vocational Education	12,445
31o - School Nurse	28,889
TOTAL STATE REVENUE	<u>6,916,601</u>
FEDERAL REVENUE:	
Funded Grants	653,952
TOTAL FEDERAL REVENUE	<u>653,952</u>
OTHER REVENUE:	
County Special Education PA-18	\$ 1,200,000
Medicaid Proceeds	962,150
WISD Misc; GSRP	240,000
Services Provided To/By Other LEAs	80,800
Sale of Capital Asset	0
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE	<u>\$ 2,482,950</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$ 14,167,883</u>

WHITMORE LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

General Fund

Expenditures and Operating Transfers

		2023-24 ORIGINAL BUDGET
	Function	
1111	Elementary	2,575,000
1113	High School	2,043,000
1118	Pre-School	725,000
	Total Basic Programs	5,343,000
1122	Special Education	1,072,723
1125	Compensatory Education	199,200
1127	Career & Technical Education	120,200
	Total Added Needs	1,392,123
	Total Instruction	6,735,123
1211	Truancy	45,100
1212	Guidance	161,500
1213	Health	160,500
1214	Psychology	50,000
1215	Speech	263,000
1216	Social Workers	216,000
1218	Teacher Consultants	708,000
1219	Other Pupil Support	230,160
	Total Pupil Support	1,834,260
	Total Instruction and Pupil Support	8,569,383
1221	Improvement of Instruction	150,000
1222	Media Services	25,000
1225	Instructional Related Technology	94,000
1226	Supervision of Instructional Staff	309,000
1227	Academic Student Assessment	32,000
	Total Instructional Staff Services	610,000
1231	Board of Education	110,000
1232	Executive Administration	274,000
	Total General Administration	384,000
1241	Office of the Principal	510,000
1249	Other School Administration	1,500
	Total School Administration	511,500
1252	Fiscal Services	340,000
1259	Other Business Services	53,000
	Total Business Services	393,000
1261	Operating Buildings Services	860,000
1266	Safety and Security	120,000
	Total Operations and Maintenance	980,000
1271	Pupil Transportation	650,000
	Total Pupil Transportation	650,000
1282	Communications	129,000
1283	Personnel	69,000
1284	Technology Services	158,000
1285	Pupil Accounting	56,000
	Total Central Support Services	412,000
1293	Support Service-Athletics	355,000
	Total Support Service-Athletics	355,000
1311	Community Services	42,000
1331	Community Activities	87,000
1351	Custody & Care of Children	1,130,000
1371	Non-Public School Pupils	14,524
1391	Community Services	24,000
	Total Community Activities	1,297,524
	Total Expenditures	14,162,407

WHITMORE LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Community Recreation Fund

Revenues and Expenditures

Property Type	Taxable Values	Estimated Tax Revenues
PRE & Qual Agricultural	\$ 305,203,791	\$ 293,026
Commercial Personal	\$ 7,972,755	\$ -
Non-PRE	\$ 141,196,696	\$ 135,563
Total Taxable Value	\$ 454,373,242	\$ 428,589

PRE and Non-PRE Levy: 0.9601 Mills

	2023-24 ORIGINAL BUDGET
Revenues:	
Property Taxes	420,000
Community Recreation Programs	30,000
Community Recreation Facility Rentals	5,000
Aquatic Programs	85,000
Aquatic Facility Rentals	25,000
Interest on Investments	4,000
Total Revenues	\$ 569,000
Expenditures:	
Community Recreation	
Salaries & Benefits	105,000
Contracted Services	16,000
Equipment and Supplies	7,000
Capital Outlay	7,000
Advertisement	4,000
Dues & Fees	2,000
Total Community Education	\$ 141,000
Aquatic	
Salaries & Benefits	130,000
Contracted Services	15,000
Utilities	115,000
Equipment and Supplies	15,000
Capital Outlay	25,000
Dues & Fees	10,000
Total Pool	\$ 310,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 451,000
Excess (Shortage) of Revs over (under) Exps	\$ 118,000
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	\$ 240,681
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$ 358,681

WHITMORE LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Sinking Fund Revenues and Expenditures

Property Type	Taxable Values	Estimated Tax Revenues
PRE & Qual Agricultural	\$ 305,203,791	\$ 288,662
Commercial Personal	\$ 7,972,755	\$ -
Non-PRE	\$ 141,196,696	\$ 133,544
Total Taxable Value	\$ 454,373,242	\$ 422,206

PRE and Non-PRE Levy: 0.9458 Mills

2023-24 ORIGINAL BUDGET

Revenues:

Property Taxes	\$ 420,000
Rebates	\$ 60,000
Miscellaneous	\$ -
Interest	\$ 3,000
Total Revenues	\$ 483,000

Expenditures:

Management Fee	\$ -
Contracted Services	\$ 10,000
Equipment	\$ 375,000
Dues & Fees	\$ 250
Total Expenditures	\$ 385,250

Excess (shortage) of Revs over (under) Exps \$ 97,750

Fund Balance - Beginning of Year \$ 601,580

Fund Balance - End of Year \$ 699,330

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Whitmore Lake Public Schools
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2023 – High School Media Center – 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Michelle Kritzman (*President*), Frank Zolenski (*Vice President*), Lisa McCully (*Secretary*), Lee Cole (*Trustee*), Bob Henry (*Trustee*), and Laura Schwennesen (*Trustee*)

MEMBERS ABSENT

John Meadows (*Treasurer*)

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Superintendent, Tom DeKeyser, Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan, MS/HS Principal, Jill Henry, Elementary Principal, Heidi Roy-Borland, Student Services Director, Melissa Heuker, and Communications Director, Maria Carter-Ewald

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff, parents and members of the community

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 p.m. by President Michelle Kritzman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the revised agenda as presented made by Mrs. Kritzman; supported by Mr. Henry.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council Representative, Kimberlee Ventura was unable to attend the meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion to approve the minutes from the April 17, 2023 Board of Education Regular Meeting was made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mr. Cole

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 – 0

Motion to approve fund transfer of \$705,800 in payments from Accounts Payable; further to approve the transfer of \$564,406 from Accounts Payable to cover the payrolls of April 14, 2023, and April 28, 2023 was made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mr. Cole

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 – 0

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. Schwennesen reported the Executive Committee met on May 4, 2023. Topics included contract negotiations, passing of the operation millage, pool assessment, pay to play, and a marijuana policy, Mr. Cole added they also discussed sending out a survey to district residents.

Mr. Zolenski reported the Finance Committee met on May 10, 2023. Topics included use of sinking funds for technology and theater seating, General Fund and Community Recreation Budgets, and proposal to renew Sinking Fund to add purchase of buses.

NEW BUSINESS

WISD Biennial Election Resolution

Mrs. Kritzman briefed the Board members on the resolution sharing there are two six year term positions. R. Stephen Olsen is the only candidate on the ballot, the other seat is open to a write-in candidate. Superintendent DeKeyser informed the Board members that he has not been given additional names as a write-in candidate to date and he would inform members the information when he does.

Motion to approve the WISD Biennial Election; further, the Board designates Trustee, Lee Cole, as its representative and President, Michelle Kritzman as its alternate representative to serve on the 2023 electoral body responsible for electing Members to the WISD Board of Education and directs the representative to vote for candidate R. Stephen Olsen on the first ballot, and may elect one candidate as a write-in candidate taken at the June 5, 2023 election meeting was made by Mrs. Kritzman; supported by Mrs. McCully.

Roll call vote: Mr. Henry – yes, Mrs. Kritzman – yes, Mrs. McCully – yes, Mrs. Schwennesen – yes, Mr. Zolenski – yes, Mr. Cole – yes

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 – 0

WISD Budget Resolution

Motion to approve the Washtenaw Intermediate School District Budget and the resolution as presented was made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen.

Mr. DeKeyser shared this is for the General Fund approval. He also shared expenditures for Basic Programs, instruction has the largest increase due to the increase in virtual learning over the last two years. He also shared that the distribution of Act 18 funds still remains undecided rolling into the 2023-24 school year, as the equity formula is being reviewed.

Roll call vote: *Mrs. Schwennesen – yes, Mr. Zolenski – yes, Mr. Cole – yes, Mr. Henry – yes, Mrs. Kritzman – yes, Mrs. McCully – yes,*
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 – 0

Financial Report

Director of Finance & Operations, Denise Kerrigan, updated the Board with information regarding the April 30, 2023 financial report sharing the final 2022-2023 will be presented in June.

2025 Europe Trip Proposal

Motion to approve the proposal for a WLHS overnight trip submitted by Jill Henry, MS/HS Principal, and Candy Huddleston, High School Teacher, for a spring break trip in 2025, for 10 days, to Europe was made by Mrs. Kritzman; supported by Mr. Henry.
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 – 0

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent DeKeyser shared the following:

1. Athletics – reviewing with Brad McCormack, Athletic Director, on the possibility to impose a capped fee amount with pay to play costs for district students in a high school level sport, to support more athletes. Mr. McCormack has proposed that we maintain the no fee in MS sports and economically disadvantaged students, and adopt a buy two get one free policy for HS sports which would cap the amount of pay to play at \$250 for an individual or \$500 for a family per school year.
2. Sinking Fund – Theater bleacher seating repairs could cost upwards of \$400,000. Will continue to work on getting an estimate of cost and time frame for repairs.

OTHER INFORMATION

The Board acknowledged the resignations of Claudette Lavigne, Mary Kate Mathy, Debra Busuito, and the hiring of Daniel Kehn, Kevin LaMont, Hannah Seely, and Stacy Sloan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, June 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center. A Budget hearing will be held prior to the regular meeting.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mrs. Kritzman reminded board members of a Legislative Breakfast being held at 7:00 a.m. on Monday, May 22, 2023 the WISD. She also announced the MS/HS band concert will be held on Thursday, May 18th, the Senior Awards Night is scheduled for May 24th at 6:30 p.m. in the HS and the Class of 2023 Graduation Ceremony will be held on June 4, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. in the gymnasium.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:44 p.m. made by Mr. Henry; supported by Mrs. Schwennesen.
Ayes – 6; Nays – 0, motion carried 6 – 0.

Lisa C. McCully, Secretary, Board of Education
Whitmore Lake Public Schools

Date

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Whitmore Lake Public Schools
Business Office Transactions

For the Month Ending:
May 31, 2023

<u>Payroll Transactions</u>	May 15, 2023	\$	285,392
	May 31, 2023	\$	301,478
		\$	<u>586,870</u>

<u>Accounts Payable Transactions</u>		\$	<u>423,737</u>
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2023-24

1661 Ramblewood Drive
East Lansing, MI 48823
(517) 332-5046

The Michigan High School Athletic Association is a voluntary, nonprofit corporation comprised of public, private and parochial junior high/ middle and senior high schools whose Boards of Education/Governing Bodies have voluntarily applied for and received membership for and on behalf of their secondary schools. The association sponsors statewide tournaments and makes eligibility rules with respect to participation in such Michigan High School Athletic Association sponsored tournaments in the various sports. Each Board of Education/Governing Body that wishes to host or participate in such meets and tournaments must join the MHSAA and agree to abide by and enforce the MHSAA rules, regulations and qualifications concerning eligibility, game rules and tournament policies, procedures and schedules. It is a condition for participation in any MHSAA postseason tournaments that high schools adhere to at least the minimum standards of Regulation I and the maximum limitations of Regulation II in ALL MHSAA Tournament sports.

Michigan High School Athletic Association tournaments are the collective property of the MHSAA and not of any individual member school. The MHSAA reserves the right to promote and advance the membership's interests with publication information; exclusive arrangements to create recognition and exposure for school-sponsored activities; restrictive policies prohibiting exploitation and commercialization of MHSAA-sponsored tournaments; appropriate proprietary interests, and the use of images or transmissions identifying contest officials, spectators and member schools' students, personnel and marks.

To obtain membership, it is necessary for the Board of Education/Governing Body to adopt the following resolution for its junior high/middle and senior high schools. This resolution must be formally ratified by your Board of Education/Governing Body and properly signed. Please return one signed copy for our files and retain one copy for your files. Resolutions that are modified in any way or are supplemented with letters placing additional conditions on MHSAA membership or tournament participation shall be rejected.

MEMBERSHIP RESOLUTION

For the year August 1, 2023 — through July 31, 2024

LIST ON BACK

_____ the School(s) which are under the direction of this Board of Education/Governing Body.

(Junior high/middle and senior high schools of your school system which are to be listed as MHSAA members and receive MHSAA mailings during 2023-24 must be listed on the back of this form)

Whitmore Lake

City/Township of Northfield

County of Washtenaw, of State of Michigan, are hereby:

- (A) enrolled as members of the Michigan High School Athletic Association, Inc., a nonprofit association, and
- (B) are further enrolled to participate in the approved interschool athletic activities sponsored by said association.

The Board of Education/Governing Body hereby delegates to the Superintendent or his/her designee(s) the responsibility for the supervision and control of said activities, and hereby accepts the Constitution and By-Laws of said association and adopts as its own the rules, regulations and interpretations (as minimum standards), as published in the current *HANDBOOK* as the governing code under which the said school(s) shall conduct its program of interscholastic athletics and agrees to primary enforcement of said rules, regulations, interpretations and qualifications. In addition, it is hereby agreed that schools which host or participate in the association's meets and tournaments shall follow and enforce all tournament policies, procedures and schedules.

This authorization shall be effective from August 1, 2023 and shall remain effective until July 31, 2024, during which the authorization may not be revoked.

RECORD OF ADOPTION

The above resolution was adopted by the Board of Education/Governing Body of the

Whitmore Lake Public School(s), on the 12th day of June, 2023,
and is so recorded in the minutes of the meeting of the said Board/Governing Body.

Whitmore Lake Schools Board of Education

(Governing Body Name)

8845 Main Street

(Address)

Whitmore Lake, MI 48189

(City & Zip Code)

dorene.fraleay@wlps.net

(Contact E-mail)

Board Secretary Signature
or Designee

☐ Check if Designee

Schools Which Are To Be MHSAA Members During 2023-24

NOTE: Pursuant to the MHSAA Constitution, all high schools, junior high/middle schools, or other schools of Michigan doing a grade of work corresponding to such schools, may become members of this organization provided (a) the school building has enrollment and onsite attendance of at least 15 students, whether for grades 6 through 8 or 9, grades 7 through 8 or 9, or grades 9 or 10 through 12; and (b) if a nonpublic school, the school qualifies for federal income tax exemption as a not-for-profit organization. To reach the 15-student minimum for middle school membership, schools may join the MHSAA at the 6th-grade level whether or not 6th-grade students participate in athletics.

- A. This Section does not require school districts to become member schools at the junior high/middle school level and does not require school districts to sponsor any interscholastic athletics for 6th-grade students.
- B. If a school district's MHSAA Membership Resolution lists a junior high/middle school as an MHSAA member school, and if the school sponsors a 6th-grade team in any sport or permits a 6th-grade student to participate with 7th- and/or 8th-grade students in any sport, then all of Regulations III and IV apply to all 6th-graders in all sports involving 6th-graders on teams sponsored by that school. If the school does not allow any 6th-graders to participate in a sport, MHSAA rules do not apply in that sport.

Name the Member High School(s)

List separately from JH/MS even if all grades are housed in the same building.

1. Whitmore Lake High School
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____
11. _____
12. _____
13. _____
14. _____
15. _____

If necessary, list additional schools for either column on a separate sheet.

Name the Member Junior High /Middle School(s)

(member 6th, 7th and 8th-grade buildings)

List separately from HS even if all grades are housed in the same building.

1. Whitmore Lake Middle School
 Name of Member School
 Configuration of grades in building (e.g. K-6, 6-8, 7-8, 7-9): 7-8
 Provide anticipated 2023-24 7th and 8th-grade enrollment 70
 Provide anticipated 2023-24 6th-grade enrollment 49
 Grade levels for membership: 6 ☒ 7 ☒ 8 ☒

1. ☒ Yes or No (circle one) 6th-graders will be participating in at least one sport with 7th and 8th graders. If yes, and not housed in the same building, add the name of the building that houses 6th-graders on the line below.

Whitmore Lake Elementary School

2. _____
 Name of Member School
 Configuration of grades in building (e.g. K-6, 6-8, 7-8, 7-9): _____
 Provide anticipated 2023-24 7th and 8th-grade enrollment _____
 Provide anticipated 2023-24 6th-grade enrollment _____
 Grade levels for membership: 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐

1. ☐ Yes or No (circle one) 6th-graders will be participating in at least one sport with 7th and 8th graders. If yes, and not housed in the same building, add the name of the building that houses 6th-graders on the line below.

3. _____
 Name of Member School
 Configuration of grades in building (e.g. K-6, 6-8, 7-8, 7-9): _____
 Provide anticipated 2023-24 7th and 8th-grade enrollment _____
 Provide anticipated 2023-24 6th-grade enrollment _____
 Grade levels for membership: 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8 ☐

1. ☐ Yes or No (circle one) 6th-graders will be participating in at least one sport with 7th and 8th graders. If yes, and not housed in the same building, add the name of the building that houses 6th-graders on the line below.

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2023 Tax Rate Request (This form must be completed and submitted on or before September 30, 2023)

MILLAGE REQUEST REPORT TO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

This form is issued under authority of MCL Sections 211.24e, 211.34 and 211.34d. Filing is mandatory; Penalty applies.

Carefully read the instructions on page 2.

County(ies) Where the Local Government Unit Levies Taxes WASHTENAW	2023 Taxable Value of ALL Properties in the Unit as of 5-22-2023 333,057,132
Local Government Unit Requesting Millage Levy WHITMORE LAKE PUBLIC SCHHOLS	For LOCAL School Districts: 2023 Taxable Value excluding Principal Residence, Qualified Agricultural, Qualified Forest, Industrial Personal and Commercial Personal Properties. 100,864,890

This form must be completed for each unit of government for which a property tax is levied. Penalty for non-filing is provided under MCL Sec 211.119. The following tax rates have been authorized for levy on the 2023 tax roll.

(1) Source	(2) Purpose of Millage	(3) Date of Election	(4) Original Millage Authorized by Election Charter, etc.	(5) ** 2022 Millage Rate Permanently Reduced by MCL 211.34d "Headlee"	(6) 2023 Current Year "Headlee" Millage Reduction Fraction	(7) 2023 Millage Rate Permanently Reduced by MCL 211.34d "Headlee"	(8) Sec. 211.34 Truth in Assessing or Equalization Millage Rollback Fraction	(9) Maximum Allowable Millage Levy *	(10) Millage Requested to be Levied July 1	(11) Millage Requested to be Levied Dec. 1	(12) Expiration Date of Millage Authorized
VOTED	Operating Non-homestead	8-2016	19.4972	17.9458	1.0000	17.9458	1.0000	17.9458	0	17.9458	12-2026
VOTED	Operating Non-homestead	5-2023	21.0000	NA	1.0000	NA	1.0000	21.0000	0	0.0542	12-2032
EX-VOTED	2015 Debt	NA	NA	NA	1.0000	NA	1.0000	NA	0	3.6500	NA
EX-VOTED	2016 Debt	NA	NA	NA	1.0000	NA	1.0000	NA	0	0.4500	NA
EX-VOTED	2019 Debt	NA	NA	NA	1.0000	NA	1.0000	NA	0	3.6300	NA
EX-VOTED	2020 Debt	NA	NA	NA	1.0000	NA	1.0000	NA	0	0.6600	NA
VOTED	SINKING FUND	8-2018	1.0000	0.9458	1.0000	0.9458	1.0000	0.9458	0	0.9548	12-2027
VOTED	RECREATION FUND	8-2019	1.0000	0.9601	1.0000	0.9601	1.0000	0.9601	0	0.9601	12-2028

Prepared by Denise Kerrigan	Telephone Number (734) 839-6301	Title of Preparer Director of Finance and Operations	Date 06/12/2023
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Total School District Operating Rates to be Levied (HH/Supp and NH Oper ONLY)	Rate
For Principal Residence, Qualified Ag., Qualified Forest and Industrial Personal	
For Commercial Personal	6.0
For all Other	18.0

2023 Tax Rate Request

(This form must be completed and submitted on or before September 30, 2023)

MILLAGE REQUEST REPORT TO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

This form is issued under authority of MCL Sections 211.24e, 211.34 and 211.34d. Filing is mandatory; Penalty applies.

Carefully read the instructions on page 2.

County(ies) Where the Local Government Unit Levies Taxes LIVINGSTON	2023 Taxable Value of ALL Properties in the Unit as of 5-22-2023 142,727,524
Local Government Unit Requesting Millage Levy WHITMORE LAKE PUBLIC SCHHOLS	For LOCAL School Districts: 2023 Taxable Value excluding Principal Residence, Qualified Agricultural, Qualified Forest, Industrial Personal and Commercial Personal Properties. 49,208,427

This form must be completed for each unit of government for which a property tax is levied. Penalty for non-filing is provided under MCL Sec 211.119. The following tax rates have been authorized for levy on the 2023 tax roll.

(1) Source	(2) Purpose of Millage	(3) Date of Election	(4) Original Millage Authorized by Election Charter, etc.	(5) ** 2022 Millage Rate Permanently Reduced by MCL 211.34d "Headlee"	(6) 2023 Current Year "Headlee" Millage Reduction Fraction	(7) 2023 Millage Rate Permanently Reduced by MCL 211.34d "Headlee"	(8) Sec. 211.34 Truth in Assessing or Equalization Millage Rollback Fraction	(9) Maximum Allowable Millage Levy *	(10) Millage Requested to be Levied July 1	(11) Millage Requested to be Levied Dec. 1	(12) Expiration Date of Millage Authorized
VOTED	Operating Non-homestead	8-2016	19.4972	17.9458	1.0000	17.9458	1.0000	17.9458	0	17.9458	12-2026
VOTED	Operating Non-homestead	5-2023	21.0000	NA	1.0000	NA	1.0000	21.0000	0	0.0542	12-2032
EX-VOTED	2015 Debt	NA	NA	NA	1.0000	NA	1.0000	NA	0	3.6500	NA
EX-VOTED	2016 Debt	NA	NA	NA	1.0000	NA	1.0000	NA	0	0.4500	NA
EX-VOTED	2019 Debt	NA	NA	NA	1.0000	NA	1.0000	NA	0	3.6300	NA
EX-VOTED	2020 Debt	NA	NA	NA	1.0000	NA	1.0000	NA	0	0.6600	NA
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**Whitmore Lake Public Schools
Budget Performance Reports
May 31, 2023**

Revenue	Actual	Adopted Budget	Remaining Budget	% Used/Rec'd
Fund 11 - General Fund Revenue	\$10,817,606	\$12,824,068	\$2,006,462	84.35%
Fund 23 - Comm Rec Revenue	\$538,766	\$547,115	\$8,349	98.47%
Fund 25 - Food Service Revenue	\$359,484	\$474,850	\$115,366	75.70%

Expenditures	Actual	Adopted Budget	Remaining Budget	% Used/Rec'd
Fund 11 - General Fund Expenditure	\$12,284,886	\$12,816,312	\$531,426	95.85%
Fund 23 - Comm Rec Expenditure	\$370,688	\$330,400	(\$40,288)	112.19%
Fund 25 - Food Service Expenditure	\$400,667	\$474,300	\$73,633	84.48%

Audited Fund Balance 6-30-2022

Fund 11 - General Fund	\$1,178,174
Fund 23 - Community Recreation	\$352,858
Fund 25 - Food Service	\$179,633

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Whitmore Lake Public Schools

8845 Main Street, Whitmore Lake, MI 48189

Tom DeKeyser
Superintendent

Denise Kerrigan
Director of Business & Ops

Jill Henry
Director of Instruction

Brad McCormack
Athletic Director

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Senator Rosemary Bayer
Chair, Senate Appropriations Department of Education Subcommittee
Post Office Box 30036
Lansing, MI 48909-7536

Representative Regina Weiss
Chair House Appropriations School Aid and Education Subcommittee
Post Office Box 30036
Lansing, MI 48909-7536

Dear Senator Bayer and Representative Weiss:

On behalf of the Whitmore Lake Public Schools Board of Education in Washtenaw County, we wanted to share our support for addressing the Ypsilanti Community Schools (YCS) debt that is remaining due to the effort to consolidate two districts. At a time when districts were under tremendous pressure to permanently close, take on an emergency manager, or shift to a charter school district, the Ypsilanti community took the steps necessary to consolidate the Ypsilanti Public School District and the Willow Run Community Schools to address the significant operational debt from the two districts, and move forward as a new district.

Now, 10 years later, Ypsilanti Community Schools is still paying on the operational debt and bond debt incurred by the previous two districts. While they have been fiscally responsible over the past 10 years, the debt payments remain significant and deeply impact their ability to meet the needs of their students. The district has **\$25.6M** in operational and school loan revolving fund debt that we feel would be appropriate to resolve through state funding. This includes \$7.1M in operational debt from the previous two districts and \$18.5M in school loan revolving fund debt for the Willow Run bond.

- **Operational Debt:** This debt was the combined operational debt from the previous two districts. YCS continues to pay on this debt each year, impacting the amount of funding available for day-to-day operations. The current operational debt is **\$7.1M**. The House and Senate have included this debt in their proposed budgets, and we are very appreciative of that, and we encourage the funding to remain in the budget through the budget process.
- **School Loan Revolving Debt Fund:** Both of the previous districts had existing bond debt for various bonds that the voters had approved years prior to consolidation. This debt is manageable through property taxes in the former Ypsilanti school district due to the tax base there. However, the former Willow Run portion of the district does not have an adequate tax base to pay the current bond debt from prior to the consolidation. This is due to no fault of the consolidated district, but rather the community's loss of manufacturing plants and other businesses. This is especially tough for the Willow Run community since they continue paying for facilities that are no longer in use due to the consolidation. If the district is able to pay off the **\$18.5M** borrowed from the School Loan Revolving Debt Fund, the millage rate would drop precipitously, and come into line with the millage rate in the other half of the district.



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Even in the face of the financial challenges, the story of YCS is one of perseverance, determination, and commitment to excellence ***against all odds***. YCS continues to exceed expectations in creating sustainable opportunities for students to learn, grow and thrive. As a result of the genuine commitment to exceeding expectations, the team has successfully worked collaboratively to secure opportunities to innovate, create, and transform the district to meet the needs of our students, families, and staff.

We are asking that the legislature help address the remaining **\$25.6M** in debt, both the operational debt and the Willow Run School Loan Revolving Fund debt, that the current district is still working to pay off. This will provide them the kind of financial footing that they deserve--and have deserved since they consolidated--to best meet the needs of their students and community.

We are in full support of their request for consolidation debt funding.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Sincerely,

Michelle Kritzman
WLPS Board President

CC:
Senator Dayna Polehanki
Chair, Education Standing Committee

Representative Matthew Koleszar
Chair, House Education Standing Committee

Senator Sue Shink (14th District)
Representing portions of Chelsea, Dexter, Whitmore Lake, Ann Arbor, Manchester, and Saline school communities

Senator Jeff Irwin (15th District)
Representing portions of Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, Manchester, Saline, Milan and Lincoln school communities

Senator Darrin Camilleri (4th District)
Representing portions of the Lincoln school community

Senator Lana Theis (22nd District)
Representing portions of the Dexter and Whitmore Lake school communities

Senator Joseph Bellino (16th District)
Representing portions of the Milan school community

Representative Jennifer Conlin (48th District)
Representing portions of Dexter, Chelsea, Whitmore Lake and Ann Arbor school communities

Representative Carrie Rheingans (47th District)
Representing portions of Chelsea, Dexter, Ann Arbor, Manchester, and Saline school communities

Representative Felicia Brabeck (33rd District)
Representing portions of Dexter, Ann Arbor, Manchester and Saline school communities
Representative Ann Bollin (49th District)

Representing portions of Whitmore Lake school community

Representative Jason Morgan (23rd District)

Representing portions of Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti school communities

Representative Kathy Schmaltz (46th District)

Representing portions of the Chelsea school community

Representative Reggie Miller (31st District)

Representing portions of Lincoln, Milan and Saline school communities

Representative Jimmie Wilson (32nd District)

Representing portions of Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, Lincoln and Milan school communities

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Reading

Whitmore Lake Elementary School

	FALL 2022-2023 ACHIEVEMENT					SPRING 2022-2023 ACHIEVEMENT							
Grade	Median Percentile	Achievement Percentiles				Median Percentile	Achievement Percentiles				Number of Students ¹		
K	58th	3	22%	34%	27%	14%	53rd	14%	22%	22%	25%	17%	59
Grade 1	47th	25%	20%	20%	19%	16%	56th	22%	14%	21%	29%	14%	56
Grade 2	62nd	22%	11%	16%	31%	20%	66th	9%	16%	18%	26%	31%	55
Grade 3	71st	5	12%	15%	41%	27%	77th	7%	15%	12%	27%	39%	41
Grade 4	63rd	7%	15%	29%	13%	36%	70th	9%	9%	24%	22%	36%	45
Grade 5	63rd	12%	14%	22%	28%	24%	65th	14%	8%	26%	30%	22%	50
Grade 6	49th	17%	25%	19%	31%	8%	47th	21%	23%	21%	21%	14%	48

Whitmore Lake Middle School

	FALL 2022-2023 ACHIEVEMENT					SPRING 2022-2023 ACHIEVEMENT							
Grade	Median Percentile	Achievement Percentiles				Median Percentile	Achievement Percentiles				Number of Students ¹		
Grade 7	59th	7%	21%	29%	25%	18%	49th	14%	14%	32%	29%	11%	28
Grade 8	54th	4	18%	50%	7%	21%	48th	22%	11%	32%	21%	14%	28

Percentiles Key: ● 1st to 20th ● 21st to 40th ● 41st to 60th ● 61st to 80th ● >80th

Mathematics

Whitmore Lake Elementary School

	FALL 2022-2023 ACHIEVEMENT						SPRING 2022-2023 ACHIEVEMENT						
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Grade 1	56th	18%	22%	14%	30%	16%	65th	16%	9%	20%	23%	32%	56
Grade 2	53rd	14%	22%	21%	25%	18%	58th	7%	22%	23%	25%	23%	56
Grade 3	66th	13%	12%	17%	35%	23%	78th	7%	5%	20%	25%	43%	40
Grade 4	57th	9%	23%	20%	25%	23%	49th	23%	16%	27%	27%	7%	44
Grade 5	34th	26%	26%	12%	20%	16%	39th	28%	22%	26%	14%	10%	50
Grade 6	38th	17%	38%	21%	11%	13%	39th	9%	40%	19%	21%	11%	47

Whitmore Lake Middle School

	FALL 2022-2023 ACHIEVEMENT						SPRING 2022-2023 ACHIEVEMENT						
Grade	Median Percentile	Achievement Percentiles					Median Percentile	Achievement Percentiles					Number of Students ⁽¹⁾
Grade 7	61st	15%	15%	15%	33%	22%	51st	15%	11%	26%	26%	22%	27
Grade 8	51st	14%	22%	25%	21%	18%	49th	11%	21%	25%	29%	14%	28

Percentiles Key: ● 1st to 20th ● 21st to 40th ● 41st to 60th ● 61st to 80th ● >80th

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STATE OF MICHIGAN
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GOVERNOR

MICHAEL F. RICE, Ph.D.
STATE SUPERINTENDENT

May 9, 2023

Superintendent Tom DeKeyser
Whitmore Lake Public Schools
8845 Main Street
Whitmore Lake, Michigan 48189

Dear Superintendent DeKeyser:

Congratulations on the passage of the recent millage restoration proposal for the Whitmore Lake Public Schools! This support speaks to your community's desire to improve schools for your students.

Having been a local school district superintendent, I know that ballot initiatives often take great effort and commitment on the part of the administration to clearly inform the community of the importance of the initiative.

On behalf of the State Board of Education and the Michigan Department of Education, congratulations on the passage of your ballot initiative. I know you will build on this achievement moving forward. Best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael F. Rice".

Michael F. Rice, Ph.D.
State Superintendent

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