

AGENDA

BOARD OF EDUCATION VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24

BUSINESS MEETING
June 10, 2026

WILLIAM L. BUCK SCHOOL

6:45 PM- It is anticipated that the Board of Education will immediately consider a motion to enter executive session for purposes of discussing personnel and contractual matters and reconvene the public portion of the Business Meeting at 7:30 PM.

I. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM & CALL TO ORDER – PRESIDENT HERRERA

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 13, 2026 and May 19, 2026.

IV. WELCOME TO VISITORS: At this time the Board of Education welcomes questions or comments relative to the items on tonight's agenda.

V. CORRESPONDENCE REPORT– DISTRICT CLERK

VI. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – DR. UNAL KARAKAS

PRESENTATIONS:

Board Recognition
Tenure Recommendation Recognitions
Recognition of Retirees

VII. OTHER REPORTS:

A. VALLEY STREAM CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

There are three delegates from Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four on the Central High School Board of Education: Vice President Wilson, Trustee Maier and Trustee Hernandez.

Residency Hotlines:

Valley Stream School District 516-872-5677
Village of Valley Stream 516-592-5140
Town of Hempstead 516-584-5000

B. LEGISLATION REPORT – PRESIDENT HERRERA

VIII. LIST OF ITEMS FOR ACTION:

A. PERSONNEL – VICE PRESIDENT WILSON

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby grants tenure to Janet Marrero as an Elementary Spanish Teacher, effective August 31, 2026.

2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby grants tenure to Brooke Martins as an Elementary Classroom Teacher, effective August 31, 2026.

3. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby grants tenure to Joanna Milanese as an Elementary Music Teacher, effective September 18, 2026.

4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby grants tenure to Vivian Ramirez as an Elementary ENL Teacher, effective September 1, 2026.

5. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Colby Nilsen, effective August 31, 2026, as a Probationary Classroom Teacher holding Certificates in Early Childhood Education (Birth – Grade 2) and Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), for a 4-year probationary period, pending documentation review. Their probation expiration will be August 30, 2030. Compensation will be at Step 1, MA in accordance with the current negotiated agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers' Association and the Board of Education.

6. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Vedi Ramdhanie, effective August 31, 2026, as a Probationary Classroom Teacher holding a Certificate in Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) for a 4-year probationary period, pending documentation review. Their probation expiration will be August 30, 2030. Compensation will be at Step 1, MA in accordance with the current negotiated agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers' Association and the Board of Education.

7. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Michael Thomas, effective August 31, 2026, as a Probationary Classroom Teacher holding a Certificate in Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), for a 4-year probationary period, pending documentation review. Their probation expiration will be August 30, 2030. Compensation will be at Step 1, MA in accordance with the current negotiated agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers' Association and the Board of Education.

8. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Paige Noonan, effective August 31, 2026, as a Probationary Classroom Teacher holding Certificates in Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) and English to Speakers of Other Languages, for a 4-year probationary period, pending documentation review. Their probation expiration will be August 30, 2030. Compensation will be at Step 1, MA in accordance with the current negotiated agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers' Association and the Board of Education.

9. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,

the Board of Education hereby appoints Ashlie Rodriguez, effective August 31, 2026, as a Probationary Classroom Teacher holding a Certificate in Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), for a 4-year probationary period, pending documentation review. Their probation expiration will be August 30, 2030. Compensation will be at Step 1, MA in accordance with the current negotiated agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers' Association and the Board of Education.

10. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the irrevocable letter of resignation of Joseph Schumpf, AIS Math Teacher, dated June 4, 2026, with the resignation effective close of business June 30, 2026.

11. **BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education accepts the irrevocable letter of resignation of Jennie Padilla, District Clerk, with the resignation effective close of business May 29, 2026.

12. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Employment Agreement between the District and Megan Breen, Occupational Therapist, for the 2026-2027 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same subject to review by counsel.

13. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of School, the Board of Education approves the following, pending civil service and fingerprint clearance, to be assigned as custodial summer helpers for the 2026-2027 school year, at the appropriate rate/scale of pay according to salary set by Board of Education:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Vincent Vermilye | June 22, 2026 |
| Alemawi Assefa | June 29, 2026 |
| Joseph Casey | June 29, 2026 |
| Shayna Clarke | June 29, 2026 |
| Clarence Darby | June 29, 2026 |
| Brady Delvalle | June 29, 2026 |
| Liam Gattis | June 29, 2026 |
| John Healy | June 29, 2026 |
| Michael Hernandez | June 29, 2026 |
| Aaron Leal | June 29, 2026 |
| John Mignott | June 29, 2026 |

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| Jake Mylan | June 29, 2026 |
| Amani Ocasio | June 29, 2026 |
| Michael Quinones | June 29, 2026 |
| Alexander Rodriguez | June 29, 2026 |
| Jeremy Zawitosky | June 29, 2026 |

14. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of School, the Board of Education approves the following to work as a Teacher Aide/Door Monitor Summer Program (security desk) at the appropriate rate of pay, as per the agreement between the Valley Stream School District 24 and the United Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU):

- Corliss Danas
- Margaret Sommella

15. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following individuals to create parent training and counseling virtual learning modules throughout the months of July and August, not to exceed 10 hours each, at the appropriate rate of pay, as per the agreement between the Valley Stream School District 24 and Valley Stream Teachers Association (VSTA) or their individual contract.

- Shira Greenblatt – School Psychologist
- Antonious Hanien – School Psychologist
- Kerriane Pieper – School Psychologist
- Raina Lewis – School Psychologist/CSE Chairperson
- Megan Breen – Occupational Therapist

16. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves Raina Lewis to chair CSE meetings, finalize IEPs, and to perform evaluations throughout the months of July and August, not to exceed 30 hours, at the appropriate rate of pay, as per the agreement between the Valley Stream School District 24 and Valley Stream Teachers Association (VSTA).

17. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves Traci Ritterband to chair CPSE meetings, finalize IEPs, and to perform evaluations throughout the months of July and August, not to exceed 30 hours, at the appropriate rate of pay, as per the agreement between

the Valley Stream School District 24 and Valley Stream Teachers Association (VSTA).

B. EDUCATION – TRUSTEE MAIER

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts the confidential recommendations of the Committee on Pre-School Special Education previously approved by the Committee on Pre-School Special Education on 5/4/26 for the 2026/2027 School Year, pertaining to students being considered for pre-school special education services as set forth in a schedule provided to the Board of Education and the Board of Education hereby approves and ratifies said recommendations of the Committee on Pre-School Special Education.

2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts the confidential recommendations of the Committee on Special Education previously approved by the Committee on Special Education on 3/26/26, 3/27/26, 3/30/26, 3/31/26, 4/13/26, 4/14/26, 4/15/26, 4/22/26, 4/24/26, 4/27/26, 4/28/26, 4/29/26, 4/30/26, 5/1/26, 5/4/26, 5/5/26, 5/6/26, 5/11/26, 5/13/26, 5/14/26, 5/15/26, 5/18/26, 5/20/26, 5/21/26, 5/26/26 for the 2026/2027 School Year, pertaining to students being considered for special education services as set forth in a schedule provided to the Board of Education and the Board of Education hereby approves and ratifies said recommendations of the Committee on Special Education.

C. FINANCE – TRUSTEE MATTHEW

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby accepts the Treasurer’s Report, Collateral Report, Claims Auditor’s Report, Appropriation Status Report, Revenue Status Report, Trial Balance for April 2026 and the Claims Auditor’s Report for May 2026.

D. POLICY - TRUSTEE CLARK

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS, IF ANY:

X. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, pursuant to Section 1707(2) of the Education Law, and Board Policy 9400, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the annual organizational meeting will be held on July 2, 2026 at 8:00 PM.
2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Zycron Industries for Medicaid reimbursement services for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.
3. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Tiegerman School for Special Education services for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.
4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Variety Child Learning Center for Special Education related services for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.
5. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Variety Child Learning Center for Special Education services and tuition for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.
6. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with East Rockaway UFSD for Special Education services for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.
7. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with East Rockaway UFSD for Extended School Year Special Education services for the

2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

8. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with North Merrick UFSD for Special Education services for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

9. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Mill Neck Interpreter Services for Sign language interpretation services for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

10. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Herricks UFSD for Extended School Year Special Education services for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

11. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Access 7 for Special Education services for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

12. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Malverne UFSD for Valley Stream 24 to provide special education services for one student for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

13. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Kidz Educational Services for Special Education services for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

14. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Cerebral Palsy Association of Nassau County for Special Education services for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

15. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Developmental Disabilities Institute for Special Education services for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

16. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Carle Place Union Free School District for Special Education services for the 2026-2027 school year and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

17. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and Lynbrook UFSD for student health and welfare services for the 2025-2026 school year and further authorizes the Board President and the Superintendent of Schools to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

18. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Master Service Agreement for the 2026-2027 school year with Arrow Security.

19. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreements between the District and Successful Practices Network for consultant services for the 2026-2027 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

20. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education renews the contract for the provision of school food services to Whitson's Culinary Group at a price per meal of \$2.55 for Breakfast and \$3.90 per meal for Lunch for the 2026-2027 School Year, in accordance with the terms and conditions of Bid # FS-23/24-A-01.

21. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the use of the EBALR 2025- 2026 accumulated sick leave payout in the estimated amount of \$83,975.00.

22. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the allocation of up to \$1,000,000 to the Capital Reserve for the 2026-2027 school year.

23. **BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education hereby suspends the insurance requirements for the use of facilities in Policy 1108 and waives such requirements for Pelicans Snowballs and Jump and Slide Party Rentals, Inc. the vendors for the RWC PTA Barbecue retroactive to June 5, 2026.

24. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby awards the Transportation Contracts beginning on July 1, 2026, through August 14, 2026, as set forth in the Schedule below:

| BUS COMPANY | SCHOOL | # OF STUDENTS | COST PER PUPIL/VAN PER DAY | MATRON COST PER DAY | TOTAL SUMMER COST |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | | |
| FIRST STUDENT | Hagedorn Little Village | 0 | \$282.50 + CPI | \$193.20 + CPI | \$1.00 |
| | Variety Children's Learning Center | 2 | \$215.12 + CPI x 2 x 30 days | \$199.76 + CPI x 2 x 30 days | |
| | Cherry Lane School | 0 | \$155.67 + CPI | \$194.59 + CPI | \$1.00 |
| | Clearstream Avenue School | 0 | \$239.07 + CPI | \$194.59 + CPI | \$1.00 |
| | Martin Avenue School | 0 | \$155.67 + CPI | \$194.59 + CPI | \$1.00 |
| | John H. West School | 0 | \$155.67 + CPI | \$194.59 + CPI | \$1.00 |

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| | Carle Place Middle School | 1 | \$180.95 + CPI x 30 days | \$206.80 + CPI x 30 days | |
| | Martin de Porres School | 0 | \$194.39 + CPI | \$206.80 + CPI | \$1.00 |
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| INDEPENDENT | Waverly Park | 0 | \$214.87 + CPI | \$118.18 + CPI | \$1.00 |
| New Bid June 3, 2026 | Rhame Avenue Elementary | 1 | \$229.00 + CPI x 30 days | \$175.00 x CPI x 30 days | |
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| STORK BUSSING | | | | | |
| New Bid June 3, 2026 | Lexington School for the Deaf | 1 | \$365.00 van + CPI x 30 days | \$170.00 + CPI x 30 days | |
| New Bid June 3, 2026 | Just Kids Millburn School | 0 | \$365.00 van + CPI x 30 days | \$175.00 + CPI x 30 days | \$1.00 |
| New Bid June 3, 2026 | Searingtown Elementary School Herricks | 1 | \$365.00 van + CPI x 30 days | \$175.00 + CPI x 30 days | |
| New Bid June 3, 2026 | Tiegerman School | 1 | \$365.00 van + CPI x 30 days | \$175.00 + CPI x 30 days | |
| New Bid June 3, 2026 | William L. Buck School | TBD | \$365.00 van + CPI x 29 days | \$175.00 + CPI x 29 days | |
| New Bid June 3, 2026 | William L McKinney Vento | TBD | \$385 van + CPI x 19 days | \$190.00 + CPI x 19 days | |
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| SUBURBAN BUS COMPANY | Children's Learning Center UCPA | 2 | \$268.30 + CPI x 2 x 30 days | \$189.12 + CPI x 30 days | |
| | Harold D. Fayette | 2 | \$392.92 + CPI x 2 x 29 days | \$174.75 + CPI x 28 days | |
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| WE TRANSPORT | Henry Viscardi | 0 | \$267.03 + CPI | \$200.93 + CPI | \$1.00 |

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| | Mill Neck Manor for the Deaf | 0 | \$424.36 + CPI | \$214.87 + CPI | \$1.00 |
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| BOCES | SCHOOL | # OF STUDENTS | SUMMER COST FOR PROGRAM/STUDENT | MATRON COST PER PROGRAM | TOTAL SUMMER COST |
| | The Bridge Learning Center Hicksville | 3 | 3 x \$1,682.00 = \$5,046.00 | 2 x \$7,120.00 = \$14,240.00 | \$19,286.00 |
| | Carmen Road | 3 | 3 x \$3,548.00 = \$10,644.00 | 1 x \$7,120.00 | \$17,764.00 |
| | Children's Readiness Center | 6 | 6 x \$1,682.00 = \$10,092.00 | 2 x \$7,120.00 = \$14,240.00 | \$24,332.00 |
| | Children's Readiness Center (ENDO) | 0 | \$1,682.00 | \$7,120.00 | \$0.00 |
| | The Rise School Massapequa | 3 | 3 x \$1,682.00 = \$5,046.00 | 1 x \$7,120.00 | \$12,166.00 |
| | Robert Williams School | 1 | 1 x 1,682.00 | 1 x \$7,120.00 | \$8,802.00 |
| | Rosemary Kennedy School | 1 | 1 x \$1,682.00 | 1 x \$7,120.00 | \$8,802.00 |
| | | | | TOTAL BOCES | \$91,152.00 |
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| PARENT MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT CONTRACTS | SCHOOL | # OF STUDENTS | COST PER PUPIL/VAN PER DAY | N/A | TOTAL SUMMER COST |
| | Children's Readiness Center | 1 | \$.725 x 40.4 miles/day = \$29.29/day x 30 days | | \$878.70 |
| | Children's Readiness Center (ENDO) | 1 | \$.725 x 40 miles/day = \$29.00/day x 30 days | | \$870.00 |

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| | The Bridge Learning Center Hicksville | 1 | \$.725 x 80 miles/day = \$58.00/day x 30 days | | \$1,740.00 |
| | | | | TOTAL PARENT CONTRACTS | \$3,488.70 |

25. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the following Budget Transfers for the 2025-2026 School Year:

| BUDGET TRANSFER FOR BOARD APPROVAL | | | |
|---|--|------------------|------------------|
| DATE: June 10, 2026 | | | |
| CODE | DESCRIPTION | FROM | TO |
| A9060.8 | Hosp & Medical | \$209.30 | |
| A1310.407-1 | Office Machine Repairs | | \$109.30 |
| A2110.400-72 | Copier Leases-WLB | | \$100.00 |
| | Canon Extra Color Copies- 909-5 & 909-1 | | |
| A1621.45 | Material & Supplies | \$3,500.00 | |
| A1621.450-1 | Material & Supplies-BAS | | \$1,250.00 |
| A1621.450-2 | Material & Supplies-RWC | | \$1,000.00 |
| A1621.450-3 | Material & Supplies-WLB | | \$1,250.00 |
| | Grainer Invoices | | |
| A9060.8 | Hosp & Medical | \$26,000.00 | |
| A1680.490-1 | BOCES Data Warehousing | | \$26,000.00 |
| | Budget vs Actual | | |
| A9060.8 | Hosp & Medical | \$3,840.00 | |
| A2110.473 | Charter School Tuition | | \$3,840.00 |
| | Final Charter School Payment for 25-26 | | |
| | TOTALS | \$ | \$ |
| | | 33,549.30 | 33,549.30 |

XI. DISCUSSION

XII. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

XIII. ADJOURNMENT