

**THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF ESSEX FELLS, NJ
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY, 26, 2022

**SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING
3:30 P.M. – REMOTE MEETING**

In compliance with Chapter 231 of the Laws of 1975, a notice for this meeting was posted at the respective offices of the Essex Fells School as of January 24th, 2022. Agendas were mailed to the Clerk of the Borough of Essex Fells, the Progress, and the Star Ledger.

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

- Mrs. Amanda Haber, President
- Mr. John Toth, Vice-President
- Mrs. Kris Huegel
- Mr. Raj Mehta
- Mr. Theodore Skopak

III. Flag Salute

IV. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

V. President’s Report

VI. Superintendent’s Report

VII. Superintendent’s Resolutions

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Superintendent Resolutions #01.

1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts and approves, as recommended by the Superintendent, the appointment of Jessica Lodato, 6th Grade Inclusion Teacher, MA Step 10, at the at the salary of \$71,772, which will be pro-rated for the 2021-22 school year, pending the usual criminal history and background check for new hires.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nays:

VII. Meeting Open for Public Comment

IX. Adjournment

BE IT RESOLVED that this public meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned.
The next **Workshop Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 7:30P.M** in the Gymnasium.

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Ayes:

Nays:

AGENDA

January 26, 2022

2021-2022

Teacher	Section	Total	M	F
Mrs. Burger/Ms. Wiezcorek	PS/AM	14	10	4
Mrs. Burger/Ms. Wiezcorek	PS/PM	13	6	7
Mrs. Gann	KG	15	7	8
Ms. Livio	KL	16	7	9
Mrs. Brutman	1B	19	10	9
Ms. Mitchell/Mrs. Hromoko	1MH	19	7	12
Ms. Duarte	2D	13	9	4
Mrs. Quinn/Mrs. Takkel	2QT	15	11	4
Mrs. Fitzgerald/Mrs. MacKenzie	3FM	16	7	9
Ms. Kowalski	3K	14	5	9
Mrs. Banek/Ms. Butler	4BB	16	9	7
Mrs. Hacker	4H	15	7	8
Ms. Craveiro	5C	15	7	8
Mrs. Truchel/Mrs. Brzostowski	5TB	15	8	7
Mrs. Criscione/Mrs. Carroll	6CC	19	9	10
Ms. Myers/Mr. Manlapid	6MM	20	9	11
TOTAL		254	128	126
Out-of-District		3		
FINAL TOTALS		257		

*Total includes 3 out-of-district students.

1/10/2022

Fire Drills: 2021-2022

Month	Fire Drill	Emergency Drill
September	9/20/21	Shelter in Place 9/22/21
October	10/29/21	Walkie Talkie Check 10/27/21
November	11/11/21	Lockdown 11/12/21
December	12/21/21	Safety Drill 12/23/21
January	1/25/22	
February		
March		
April		
May		
June		
July	7/27/21	7/27/21

HIB / V&V Report

As of Date of BOE Meeting	10/6	10/20	11/17	12/1	1/5/22	1/19/22						
TOTAL # of Reported Incidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of Unfounded Incidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of Founded Incidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Violence & Vandalism Incidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

ESSEX FELLS SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

The Essex Fells School is a very special public elementary school enrolling boys and girls in preschool through the sixth grades. Pupils enjoy small classes and a total school population of approximately two hundred and fifty.

The size of the school is a wonderful asset as it allows a strong sense of community and offers teachers and pupils many opportunities to form bonds of collegiality, identification and support. It also supports the concept that every adult in the school is responsible for every child.

The comparatively small faculty is also a benefit. The faculty as a whole are the decision making body on all questions of teaching and learning. Teachers find it easy to share experiences and act consistently across pupils' entire academic program. The combined efforts of the staff work to support a pupil centered approach to education.

Essex Fells teachers are encouraged to try new ideas, to work collaboratively with colleagues, and to participate fully in all aspects of schooling.

The mission of the school is etched in the mortar of the original schoolhouse with the words Studies Pass Into Character.

The primary goals of an Essex Fells education include:

1. Developing in all pupils the capacity to think critically and communicate effectively through a mastery of written and spoken English.
2. Motivating all pupils to recognize and develop their academic abilities in order to build character and to achieve their full potential.
3. Teaching children to value themselves, their peers and their teachers.
4. Establishing a respect for and a strong sense of responsibility to the physical, social, and aesthetic world around them.
5. Nurturing a love of country and a pride in our American heritage and citizenship.
6. Communicating a love of scholarship and continued interest in life-long learning.
7. Insuring all pupils will achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards at all levels.

To secure these common goals, the Essex Fells staff of professional educators recognizes that the collaborative engagement of the children in the learning process is the key to intellectual development. Dedicated teachers create classrooms that are alive with cooperative learning activities and child-centered problem solving routines. Children are encouraged to explore, to question, to make decisions, and to express opinions in a supportive learning environment. Teachers also model their own commitment to learning by continuing to earn advanced degrees. On-going professional development is acknowledged as the foundation for promoting outstanding pupil achievement.