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Trail board to get test score update

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Lackawanna Trail School Board will get a detailed presentation about the standardized test scores for all grades throughout the district at its meeting next week, Nov. 13.

It had been suggested in October that would be taking place during Monday's work session but it has been deferred.

Curriculum Supervisor Tania Stoker told the board that information will be provided for test scores from Spring to Fall 2017. The presentation is part of a School Performance Profile required by the state.

Among the test scores that will be discussed, she said, include the Pennsylvania State System of Assessment, Keystone Examines, Pennsylvania Value Added Assessment System, SATs, ACTs, and DIBELS.

Each administrator, Stoker explained, will provide information and suggestions on use of school buildings, curriculum, and special education, and discuss what can be done to make any improvements.

The public is encouraged to attend the presentation, Stoker said.

Board President Philip Stark reported that Superintendent Matthew Rakauskas has received a satisfactory evaluation from the board for the 2016-2017 school year. The board's evaluation is a criteria required by the state, and covers the superintendent's performance in such areas as: student growth and leadership. organizational leadership, district operation and financial management, communication and community relations, human resource management, as well as professionalism.

In other business, the board next Monday is scheduled to:

- *Have a first reading of Policy 202, Eligibility of Non-Resident Students.
- *Approve the second reading of Policy 918, Parent and Family Engagement.
- *Approve a field trip for the music department to Mansfield University on April 27, 2018.
- *Approve Kelly Buck as the Junior High School Softball Head Coach at a stipend of \$3,650.
- *Approve the appointment of Gerald Henry as a Junior High Wrestling Assistant Coach for the 2017-2018 season.
- *Grant a request by Debbie Ross for an extension of her unpaid leave to February 2018.
- *Approve a request from Sarah A. Wright to take 12 weeks FMLA for maternity leave, beginning tentatively on Feb. 1, 2018.
- *Appoint Dane Bower as a Like Skills class volunteer, pending clearances.
- *Approve the appointment for the following list of substitutes: Dane Bower school nurse, pending clearances; Keeley Kettel Life Skills teacher, clearances on file; Diana Rosa Life Skills teacher, clearances on file.