



Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy

BVP Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday September 20, 2021 at 5:30 PM EDT

Location

BVP High School
65 Macondray St., Cumberland

Masks Required for all in-person attendees.

BVP High School - 65 Macondray St., Cumberland

Public invited to join online at bit.ly/BVPBoard92021

Board materials available online at <https://bit.ly/BVPBoardMaterials92021>

Agenda

I. Opening Items

Opening Items

- A.** Record Attendance and Guests
- B.** Call the Meeting to Order
- C.** Vote to Approve Minutes 8/24/21

D. Public Comment

Members of the public are invited to speak, with a 2-minute limit per speaker. Use our online form to either sign up for verbal comment or submit written comments to the Board. <https://bit.ly/BVPBoardComments92021>

II. Recurring Business Items

A. CEO Report

B. CFO Report

III. New Business Items

A. COVID and related policy updates

B. Governance Committee Report

IV. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Coversheet

Vote to Approve Minutes 8/24/21

Section: I. Opening Items
Item: C. Vote to Approve Minutes 8/24/21
Purpose: Approve Minutes
Submitted by:
Related Material: Minutes for Board Meeting on August 24, 2021

APPROVED



Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday August 24, 2021 at 5:30 PM

Masks Required for all in-person attendees.

BVP High School - 65 Macondray St., Cumberland

Public invited to join online at bit.ly/BVPBoard82421

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Directors Present

D. Garcia, J. Almond, J. Morton, J. Mutter, J. Silva, J. Waters, M. Magee, M. Rivera

Directors Absent

J. Diossa, M. Zuluaga, R. Vrees

Guests Present

B. Dowd, C. Losea, J. Chiappetta, J. Giraldo, S. Anderson

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

Members of the public present in person: Brad Collins

B.

Call the Meeting to Order

J. Mutter called a meeting of the board of directors of Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy to order on Tuesday Aug 24, 2021 at 5:34 PM.

C. Vote to Approve Minutes 6/14/21

J. Waters made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 06-14-21.

J. Silva seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. New Business Items

A. School Reopening Presentation

J. Chiappetta reviewed the presentation included in the Board Packet outlining the proposed Covid Health and Safety policies and protocols. Written public comments were submitted into public record. BVP's goal is to protect and preserve in-person learning; at this time there is no consideration for a distance learning option, as in-person instruction is best for our scholars and families. J. Chiappetta noted that since presentation was drafted, many states/cities declared that they are requiring vaccines for school staff.

Highlights of the proposed policies include:

- Universal masking, regardless of vaccination status
- Weekly tests for unvaccinated staff and scholar-athletes
- On-site surveillance testing for unvaccinated scholars
- Quarantine/isolation requirements in line with RIDOH/CDC guidelines
- Visitors must be vaccinated or show proof of negative test

M. Magee stressed the importance of effective messaging to BVP community about the importance of vaccinations and vaccine safety; most of BVP's energy should be spent on getting eligible but unvaccinated members of the community vaccinated in order to protect scholars and in-person learning.

The Board discussed whether this policy should have an expiration date or a date at which we revisit to determine if/when it should be phased out. The Board amended the proposal to include language that authorizes the CEO to make necessary changes to the policy in real-time, but to notify the Board, and that the policies would be continuously revisited to monitor effectiveness and necessity.

B. Public Comment

All submitted written public comment has been reviewed by the Board and entered into the official record.

Additional public comment was given on site by Dr. Bradley Collins, drawing on his experience as a BVP Parent and hospitalist at the Miriam; Dr. Collins expressed support for universal masking and encouraging vaccinations.

C. Board Adoption of Covid Health and Safety Policies

The Board considered adoption of the resolution included in the Board Packet, as discussed and amended in the prior conversation.

J. Almond made a motion to accept the Covid Health and Safety policies outlined in resolution included in Board Packet, along with discussed amendments.

J. Silva seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

J. Morton made a motion to adjourn.

J. Silva seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:06 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

B. Dowd

Coversheet

CEO Report

Section: II. Recurring Business Items
Item: A. CEO Report
Purpose: Vote
Submitted by:
Related Material: 092021 CEO Report (1).pdf



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Preparing every scholar for success in college and the world beyond.

Chief Executive Officer Report

Jeremy Chiappetta

September 20, 2021

Key Highlights:

- BVP opened its doors to full in-person instruction in grades 1-12 on Monday, August 30. We held orientation sessions for Kindergarten scholars on Tuesday and Wednesday of that week and had all scholars K-12 on Thursday September 2.
- While returns from a Family Wellness Check-in Survey are still early (about 750 responses), as of early morning on September 19, **93% of families Agreed or Strongly Agreed with this statement: Based on how the 2021-2022 school year is going for my family so far, I would highly recommend BVP to friends and family.** (No families Strongly Disagreed, and <1% Disagreed.)
- BVP 5K:
 - After a one-year hiatus, we're excited to host our 5K Run/Walk & Kids' Fun Run on Sunday, September 26, at Slater Park in Pawtucket. This event is an opportunity for scholars, families, staff, and members of the community to come together to enjoy a fun-filled morning celebrating health and wellness, and serves as the main fundraiser for our athletics program. Learn more and register:
<https://blackstonevalleyprep.org/athletics/5k/>

COVID

- Approximately 315 of 340 staff members are fully vaccinated, and another five are in-process. To date, approximately 85% of staff of color and 95% of white staff are fully vaccinated.
- At the high school, about 75% of our scholars are reported as being vaccinated.
- Since mid-August, we have had at least 25 scholar cases (1 breakthrough case) and 12 staff cases (8 breakthrough cases) of COVID. This has led to nearly 400 quarantines and/or scholars/staff impacted by classroom closures of at least one day, and often more than a week. Following RIDOH guidelines, we are regularly sending home scholars and staff with one symptom, regardless of vaccination status, and requiring a negative PCR to school.
- We have published this document to families (website, ParentSquare) to share how we will support scholars who are absent from in-person school due to COVID.
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/13QZomU2gXO4QWSKfVgAvTsMGabwF>

[hLyLLGxWZcR4TRc/edit](#) Unlike last year, we are not set to run a full distance learning program with live synchronous instruction, so we are limiting our offerings to what is noted above, as is consistent with RIDE's directive to have all scholars in-person. We are in active conversations with RIDE regarding attendance for those who are not in-person.

Talent

- BVP currently employs its largest staff yet, with approximately 340 full-time equivalents across the organization. This is our largest staff in our thirteen years of existence, largely due to growth and short-term positions funded through federal stimulus funding. With over 90 staff members who identify as part of the BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) community, this is also our most diverse staff ever.
- Staffing has been incredibly competitive this year, more than any other year, largely due to:
 - An increase in resources across school systems from federal funding creating more positions in the marketplace
 - A decrease in new people entering the profession (likely fewer completing school)
 - Departures from the profession connected to stresses of COVID.
- BVP has just over a dozen openings in key areas, including opportunities for both fully certified educators (STEM, special education, and elementary) as well as support positions (behavior and academic support aides). *Even with all competitiveness in the marketplace, we've been able to successfully onboard and welcome 65 new employees to the BVP team!"*

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

- BVP has Diversity Chairs in each school, and their first collaborative planning meeting took place this past week. We are proud to join so many others around the country to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month and we recently shared this note with our entire staff to that effect.
 - **<FYI> Hispanic Heritage Month Resources.** [This resource](#) from Learning for Justice (previously Teaching Tolerance) is a great primer on Hispanic Heritage Month. I encourage everyone to read this to better inform themselves on the history of and challenges with celebrating Hispanic heritage. Looking for more resources? Connect with your Diversity Chair (ES1 = Canning, ES2 = Ortega, ES3 = Jensen, UES = McMillan, JHS = Garcia & Palombo, HS = Scherben) or Head of School.

Key Data

- **Current enrollment** is 2,189 which is within the range of where we anticipate being for the year and slightly below our target of 2,200 for the school year.
- **Attendance:**

Elementary School 1	88.44 %	95.52 %	34.96 %
Elementary School 2	91.00 %	97.70 %	31.93 %
Elementary School 3	90.51 %	96.94 %	34.32 %
High School	91.94 %	86.77 %	24.82 %
Junior High School	93.88 %	96.27 %	17.54 %
Upper Elementary	92.75 %	96.59 %	24.74 %
District Total	91.38 %	94.78 %	28.11 %

- **Attendance is very challenging.** Based on following the RIDOH guidance, we are isolating and quarantining many scholars and classrooms, and we are sending dozens of symptomatic students home daily, requiring a PCR test to return to school. With PCR tests taking 24-72 hours to return, a child who leaves school on a Monday morning with a symptom is often out most if not all of the week.
- **Unless RIDOH changes rules, or RIDE changes accountability rules, BVP will score at the bottom level on the attendance section of the charter renewal and accountability frameworks for the 2021-2022 school year.**
- Academic baseline data is being collected. At the K-8 level, we are administering the STAR assessment and we are seeing this year’s baseline to be slightly lower than in years past (though generally above the baseline from a year ago). High School baseline data will be captured using mock SAT exams during the current week.
- RICAS (State Assessment for English and Math for grades 3-8) data has not been published, though raw scores (not scaled scores) have been released. We are able to use this data to see how we performed on specific items and standards; we are able to also see, by scholar, the percentage correct, though that does not tell us the percentage proficient. Based on the data we do have, and consistent with what we are hearing from others across the state, we predict that our performance will be down significantly from pre-pandemic testing years.

Development

- BVP is actively pursuing several grants to support DEI efforts and to support our capital investments, especially at the high school.

Media and Advocacy

- WPRI featured BVP CEO Jeremy Chiappetta and our bussing partner Durham School Services highlighting the urgent need for bus drivers.

- <https://www.wpri.com/target-12/nearly-10-of-providence-teachers-have-left-in-2021-amid-staff-shortages-across-ri/>
- Several very positive mentions of BVP athletics in the local news (Providence Journal, Valley Breeze, and Pawtucket Times), especially with regard to our high school football and soccer programs.
 - <https://www.valleybreeze.com/2021-09-08/cumberland-lincoln-area/high-school-football-season-begins-friday#.YUSyOrhKg2w>
 - https://www.pawtuckettimes.com/sports/2021-blackstone-valley-football-preview-central-falls-thrilled-to-be-joining-forces-with-blackstone-valley/article_d0560bb6-123a-11ec-a42e-df59d948b76a.html

Facility Updates

- We are proceeding with a major high school expansion project. We anticipate closing on the abutting property this month, we have secured emergency funding of \$500,000 from the state to support that effort, and that will be reimbursed in July of 2022. We have submitted a Stage I application to RIDE for facility funding to support the addition required at the high school level due to increased enrollment per our projected growth and have retained an owner's project manager, an educational facilities planner as well as an architectural firm to support in the ongoing work to develop a Stage II application that will be due in February. The Stage II application will primarily be focused on the high school addition, but will also include the purchase of our Junior High School and potentially our Upper Elementary School as well as other smaller projects throughout the network. Based on the timeline of the needed space at the high school, architects and engineers will be developing plans for both the permanent addition and a one year temporary solution concurrent with the development of the Stage II application with the hope of being a shovel ready project at the time of RIDE approval in May of 2022.
- BVP has engaged Peregrine Facilities Management to support the management of vendors for school maintenance projects (e.g. A/C servicing, cleaning crew management). While the service is new, we are already uncovering new opportunities to better support our scholars and staff by improving our facilities in small but meaningful ways.

Coversheet

CFO Report

Section: II. Recurring Business Items
Item: B. CFO Report
Purpose: Vote
Submitted by:
Related Material: YTD Spending Report July 2021.pdf
Financial Dashboard July 2021.pdf



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Monthly Reporting

Jul-21

	Fiscal 2022		
	Approved Budget	Through 7/31/2021	Under/(Over) Budget
REVENUE			
Total Public Funding Entitlement Revenue	\$ 39,003,831	\$ 1,832,224	\$ 37,171,607
Total Development Revenue	\$ 440,200	\$ 288,236	\$ 151,964
Total Other Revenue	\$ 52,212	\$ 4,976	\$ 47,236
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 39,496,243	\$ 2,125,437	\$ 37,370,806
EXPENSES			
<i>Personnel Expenses</i>			
Salaries	\$ 20,952,320	\$ 358,667	\$ 20,593,653
Total Program Incentives	\$ 1,595,585	\$ 129,784	\$ 1,465,801
Total Fringe Benefits	\$ 5,387,892	\$ 33,326	\$ 5,354,567
Total Personnel	\$ 27,935,797	\$ 521,777	\$ 27,414,021
<i>Non Personnel Expenses</i>			
Total Professional Development	\$ 534,660	\$ 23,136	\$ 511,524
Total Special Education Services	\$ 1,026,743	\$ 57,912	\$ 968,831
Total Medical	\$ 5,195	\$ 1,725	\$ 3,470
Total Business Services	\$ 455,158	\$ 45,093	\$ 410,065
Total Building and Office	\$ 4,317,927	\$ 105,741	\$ 4,212,186
Total Instructional	\$ 821,125	\$ 48,031	\$ 773,094
Total Other	\$ 191,145	\$ 11,137	\$ 180,008
Total Non-Personnel Expenses	\$ 7,351,954	\$ 292,775	\$ 7,059,179
<i>Facilities Expenses</i>			
Total Rent	\$ 2,067,274	\$ 134,948	\$ 1,932,326
Total Cost of Occupancy	\$ 400,784	\$ 14,078	\$ 386,706
Total Repairs and Maintenance	\$ 430,259	\$ 153,901	\$ 276,358
Total Facilities Expenses	\$ 2,898,317	\$ 302,926	\$ 2,595,390
Total Non-Capital Expenses	\$ 38,186,068	\$ 1,117,478	\$ 37,068,590
<i>Capital Expenses</i>			
Total Technology	\$ 375,284	\$ 82,161	\$ 293,123
Total Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	\$ 35,401	\$ 4,153	\$ 31,248
Total Capital Expenditures	\$ 125,000	\$ 128,863	\$ (3,863)
Total Capital Expenses	\$ 535,685	\$ 215,177	\$ 320,508
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 38,721,753	\$ 1,332,655	\$ 37,389,098
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$ 774,490	\$ 792,782	

Public Funding Entitlements						
Unrestricted Grants-in-Aid - State Sources	\$	22,396,485	\$	1,832,177	\$	20,564,308
Tuition from Other Districts	\$	10,322,706	\$	-	\$	10,322,706
<i>Per Pupil Allotment in District Funding</i>	\$	32,719,191	\$	1,832,177	\$	30,887,014
Federal Title I	\$	835,649		0	\$	835,649
Title IIA	\$	166,311		0	\$	166,311
Title III	\$	30,217		0	\$	30,217
Title IV	\$	81,329		0	\$	81,329
Special Education IDEA Federal Funding	\$	565,146		0	\$	565,146
RIDE Fellowship Grant		0		0	\$	-
IDEA - Pre-K	\$	6,658		0		
Substitute Grant		0		0	\$	-
Erate Revenue	\$	24,000		0	\$	24,000
High End SPED Categorical	\$	232		0	\$	232
ESSER Grant		0		0	\$	-
ESSER #2	\$	1,015,800		0		
ESSER #3	\$	2,527,590		0		
CLSD Grant	\$	287,368		0	\$	287,368
Restricted Grants in Aid Direct from Federal Govt		0		0	\$	-
Emergency Connectivity Fund	\$	250,000		0		
SAIL/NSSI Summer Program				0		
English Learner Grant	\$	55,740		0	\$	55,740
<i>Restricted Grants - State and Federal</i>	\$	5,846,040	\$	-	\$	5,846,040
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$	438,600	\$	47	\$	438,553
Restricted Grants In Aid-State Sources		0		0	\$	-
<i>Total Reimbursement Grants</i>	\$	438,600	\$	47	\$	438,553
Total Public Funding Entitlement Revenue	\$	39,003,831	\$	1,832,224	\$	37,171,607
Development						
Contributions & Donations from Private Sources	\$	440,200	\$	288,236	\$	151,964
Other Grants	\$	-		0	\$	-
Restricted Grants-Intermediate Sources	\$	-		0	\$	-
Total Development Revenue	\$	440,200	\$	288,236	\$	151,964
Earnings on Investments	\$	15,000	\$	1,885	\$	13,115
Food Service - State Matching Funds		0		0	\$	-
Food Service - School Breakfast Reimbursement		0		0	\$	-
Food Service Sales - School Lunch Programs	\$	-		0	\$	-
Food Service Sales - School Breakfast Programs	\$	-		0	\$	-
Athletic Gate Receipts		0	\$	1,600	\$	(1,600)
Book Store & Local Sales/Rental	\$	7,500	\$	(108)	\$	7,608
Other Fees	\$	-		0	\$	-
Rental Income (Fields/Fields/Buildings)	\$	24,000	\$	1,600	\$	22,400
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures	\$	5,712	\$	-	\$	5,712
Food Service Reimbursements		0		0	\$	-
Total Other Revenue	\$	52,212	\$	4,976	\$	47,236
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	39,496,243	\$	2,125,437	\$	37,370,806

Salaries						
Salaries	\$	20,874,142	\$	335,570	\$	20,538,572
Substitutes	\$	78,178	\$	23,097	\$	55,081
Total Salaries	\$	20,952,320	\$	358,667	\$	20,593,653

Program Incentives						
Professional Development-School		0	\$	-	\$	-
Tutoring - Sat Opp Days, HW Club	\$	99,855	\$	2,259	\$	97,596
Curriculum Development			\$	-	\$	-
Extra Time - Clubs, Child Care, etc.	\$	300,320	\$	1,247	\$	299,073
Sick Leave Bonus	\$	169,715	\$	-	\$	169,715
Bonuses	\$	262,000	\$	2,020	\$	259,980
Summer Opportunity School Stipends	\$	502,500	\$	121,389	\$	381,111
Class Coverage		0	\$	388	\$	(388)
Academic Stipends	\$	222,700	\$	2,480	\$	220,220
Stipend - Athletic Coaches/Extra Curricular Advisors	\$	38,495	\$	-	\$	38,495
Total Incentives	\$	1,595,585	\$	129,784	\$	1,465,801

Fringe Benefits						
Health and Medical Premiums	\$	2,218,691	\$	(40,233)	\$	2,258,923
Life	\$	117,039	\$	9,299	\$	107,740
Dental	\$	105,019	\$	(3,165)	\$	108,184
Other Insurance		0	\$	-	\$	-
Medical Buyback Payments	\$	95,503	\$	5,940	\$	89,562
FICA	\$	1,397,970	\$	27,175	\$	1,370,796
Medicare	\$	326,945	\$	6,230	\$	320,714
401k Contributions	\$	707,460	\$	14,583	\$	692,877
Unemployment Insurance	\$	270,575	\$	10,751	\$	259,824
Workers Compensation Premium	\$	90,192	\$	-	\$	90,192
FSA Contributions	\$	58,500	\$	2,745	\$	55,755
Total Fringe Benefits	\$	5,387,892	\$	33,326	\$	5,354,567
TOTAL PERSONNEL	\$	27,935,797.31	\$	521,776.70	\$	27,414,020.61

Professional Development						
Tuition Reimbursement - Non Taxable	\$	120,884	\$	23,136	\$	97,748
Mentoring		0	\$	-	\$	-
Professional Development and Training Services	\$	198,807	\$	-	\$	198,807
Curriculum Development	\$	20,000	\$	-	\$	20,000
Conferences / Workshops	\$	159,909	\$	-	\$	159,909
Catering	\$	18,569	\$	-	\$	18,569
Employee Travel - Non-Teachers	\$	4,872	\$	-	\$	4,872
Employee Travel - Teachers	\$	11,619	\$	-	\$	11,619
Travel-Other		0	\$	-	\$	-
Total Professional Development	\$	534,660	\$	23,136	\$	511,524

Special Education Services						
Administrative Support	\$	34,000	\$	-	\$	34,000
Speech Therapists	\$	96,030	\$	2,738	\$	93,293
Occupational Therapists	\$	33,015	\$	760	\$	32,255
Psychologist	\$	5,202	\$	8,432	\$	(3,230)
Translation	\$	6,706	\$	-	\$	6,706
Physical Therapists	\$	5,407	\$	-	\$	5,407
Evaluations	\$	6,603	\$	-	\$	6,603
Tutoring Services		0	\$	-	\$	-
Student Assistance		0	\$	-	\$	-

Consultants, Special Education Services	\$	39,780	\$	2,610	\$	37,170
Instructional Teachers		0	\$	-	\$	-
Tuition - Out of District	\$	800,000	\$	43,373	\$	756,627
Total Special Education Services	\$	1,026,743	\$	57,912	\$	968,831

Medical

Health Service Providers-For Students		0	\$	-	\$	-
Physicians	\$	2,593	\$	-	\$	2,593
Dentists	\$	2,603	\$	-	\$	2,603
Contracted Nursing Services (savings in Salary Line)		0	\$	-	\$	-
Consultants, Business Services		0	\$	1,725	\$	(1,725)
Total Medical	\$	5,195	\$	1,725	\$	3,470

Business Services

Auditing/Actuarial Services	\$	54,101	\$	7,050	\$	47,051
Legal Services	\$	35,000	\$	5,183	\$	29,818
Pension Advisors	\$	14,000	\$	-	\$	14,000
Other Services	\$	28,565	\$	-	\$	28,565
Medicaid Claims Provider	\$	44,848	\$	-	\$	44,848
Data Processing Services	\$	84,430	\$	3,064	\$	81,366
Other Technical Services	\$	149,564	\$	29,621	\$	119,944
Other Charges	\$	44,650	\$	176	\$	44,474
Total Business Services	\$	455,158	\$	45,093	\$	410,065

Building and Office

Shipping and Postage	\$	17,254	\$	365	\$	16,889
Rubbish Disposal Services	\$	76,878	\$	6,711	\$	70,167
Snow Plowing Services	\$	66,852	\$	-	\$	66,852
Custodial Services	\$	387,671	\$	17,507	\$	370,164
Rodent and Pest Control Services	\$	8,729	\$	300	\$	8,429
Telephone	\$	14,111	\$	3,385	\$	10,726
Wireless Communications	\$	187,302	\$	14,833	\$	172,470
Internet Connectivity	\$	44,601	\$	8,736	\$	35,865
Rental of Equipment and Vehicles	\$	181,254	\$	14,149	\$	167,104
Transportation Contractors	\$	3,155,550	\$	39,334	\$	3,116,216
Property and Liability Insurance	\$	105,975	\$	10	\$	105,965
Student Accident Insurance	\$	11,118	\$	-	\$	11,118
Errors & Omissions Ins (Dir & Officers)	\$	11,993	\$	-	\$	11,993
Advertising Costs	\$	10,612	\$	-	\$	10,612
Printing	\$	24,344	\$	412	\$	23,932
Food Service Expense		0	\$	-	\$	-
Food Service Contractors	\$	13,682	\$	-	\$	13,682
Total Building and Office	\$	4,317,927	\$	105,741	\$	4,212,186

Instructional						
Testing	\$	11,052	\$	(75)	\$	11,127
Virtual Classroom		0	\$	-	\$	-
General Supplies and Materials	\$	575,866	\$	44,598	\$	531,268
Web Based Supplemental Inst. Programs		0	\$	2,500	\$	(2,500)
Running Start Tuition	\$	35,000	\$	-	\$	35,000
Uniform/Wearing Apparel Supplies	\$	8,565	\$	-	\$	8,565
Medical Supplies	\$	14,744	\$	-	\$	14,744
Athletic Supplies	\$	5,000	\$	-	\$	5,000
Honors/Awards Supplies	\$	43,254	\$	639	\$	42,615
Other Supplies		0	\$	-	\$	-
Custodial Supplies	\$	90,758	\$	369	\$	90,389
Textbooks		0	\$	-	\$	-
Library Books	\$	21,221	\$	-	\$	21,221
Reference Books		0	\$	-	\$	-
Textbooks	\$	10,404	\$	-	\$	10,404
Subscriptions and Periodicals	\$	5,261	\$	-	\$	5,261
Total Instructional	\$	821,125	\$	48,031	\$	773,094

Other						
Officials/Referees	\$	12,000	\$	-	\$	12,000
Police/Rescue Detail		0	\$	-	\$	-
Other Dues and Fees	\$	154,654	\$	10,645	\$	144,009
Bank Fees	\$	7,283	\$	492	\$	6,791
License & Permit Fees	\$	2,208	\$	-	\$	2,208
Injury Fund		0	\$	-	\$	-
Interest		0	\$	-	\$	-
Real & Personal Property Tax Payment	\$	15,000	\$	-	\$	15,000
Other Miscellaneous Expenses		0	\$	-	\$	-
Loan Payment - CSGF		0	\$	-	\$	-
Credit Card Transactions		0	\$	-	\$	-
Total Other	\$	191,145	\$	11,137	\$	180,008
TOTAL NON-PERSONNEL	\$	7,351,954	\$	292,775	\$	7,059,179

Other						
Rental Expense	\$	1,861,972	\$	36,227	\$	1,825,745
Lease Obligations - Principal	\$	5,302	\$	98,721	\$	(93,419)
lease Obligations - Interest	\$	200,000	\$	-	\$	200,000
Total Rental	\$	2,067,274	\$	134,948	\$	1,932,326

Cost of Occupancy						
Water	\$	22,811	\$	735	\$	22,075
Sewage/Cesspool	\$	40,680	\$	2,531	\$	38,149
Other Purchased Property Services		0	\$	-	\$	-
Alarm and Fire Safety Services	\$	23,360	\$	1,219	\$	22,141
Moving	\$	9,000	\$	-	\$	9,000
Inspections	\$	4,994	\$	-	\$	4,994
Natural Gas	\$	75,194	\$	1,334	\$	73,861
Electricity	\$	224,746	\$	8,258	\$	216,488
Total Cost of Occupancy	\$	400,784	\$	14,078	\$	386,706

Repairs and Maintenance						
Repairs & Maintenance	\$	68,808	\$	-	\$	68,808
Maintenance and Repairs - Fixtures and Equipment	\$	20,267	\$	1,805	\$	18,462
Maintenance and Repairs - General	\$	107,091	\$	143,731	\$	(36,640)
Maintenance and Repairs - Technology-Related Hardware	\$	204,473	\$	8,290	\$	196,183
Maintenance and Repairs - Electrical	\$	14,268	\$	-	\$	14,268
Maintenance and Repairs - Plumbing	\$	15,352	\$	75	\$	15,277
Total Repairs and Maintenance	\$	430,259	\$	153,901	\$	276,358
					\$	-
TOTAL FACILITY EXPENDITURES	\$	2,898,317	\$	302,926	\$	2,595,390
Technology						
Technology-Related Supplies	\$	19,547	\$	7,225	\$	12,322
Technology-Related Hardware	\$	286,667	\$	71,121	\$	215,546
Technology Software	\$	69,069	\$	3,815	\$	65,254
Total Technology	\$	375,284	\$	82,161	\$	293,123
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment						
Equipment	\$	17,196	\$	2,763	\$	14,433
Furniture and Fixtures	\$	18,205	\$	1,390	\$	16,815
Total Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	\$	35,401	\$	4,153	\$	31,248
Capital Improvements/Depreciation						
Building		0	\$	-	\$	-
Depreciation - Building Improvements		0	\$	49,514	\$	(49,514)
Depreciation - Buildings		0	\$	51,067	\$	(51,067)
Depreciation Land Improve SH1			\$	612		
Depreciation - Building SH1			\$	12,162		
Depreciation - Equipment		0	\$	638	\$	(638)
Depreciation - Furniture and Fixtures		0	\$	6,156	\$	(6,156)
Depreciation - Technology-Related Hardware		0	\$	8,632	\$	(8,632)
Depreciation - Technology Software		0	\$	82	\$	(82)
Building Improvements/Capital Expenditures	\$	125,000	\$	-	\$	125,000
Total Capital Expenditures	\$	125,000	\$	128,863	\$	(3,863)
Contra Accounts (Fixed Assets)						
Interest - Contra		0	\$	-		
Total Contra Accounts (Fixed Assets)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
TOTAL TECHNOLOGY AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$	535,685	\$	215,177	\$	320,508
TOTAL EXPENSES						
	\$	38,721,753	\$	1,332,655	\$	37,389,098
	\$	(1)				
Change in Net Assets						
	\$	774,490	\$	792,782		



Blackstone Valley Prep - Financial Performance Dashboard

07/31/21

Revenues and Expenditures	YTD Actual as 7/31/2021	Budget 2022
Revenues		
Public Funding Entitlement Revenue	\$ 1,832,224	\$ 39,003,831
Development Revenue	\$ 288,236	\$ 440,200
Other Revenue	\$ 4,976	\$ 52,212
Total Revenue	\$ 2,125,437	\$ 39,496,243
Expenses		
Personnel	\$ 521,777	\$ 27,935,797
Non-Personnel Expenses	\$ 292,775	\$ 7,351,954
Facilities Expenses	\$ 302,926	\$ 2,898,317
Capital Expenses	\$ 215,177	\$ 535,685
Total Expenses	\$ 1,332,655	\$ 38,721,753
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 792,782	\$ 774,490

Financial Position	Total As of 7/31/2021	Total As of 7/31/2020
Assets		
Cash	\$ 13,322,361	\$ 11,498,086
Receivables	\$ 63,587	\$ 224,877
Other Current Assets	\$ 961,360	\$ 1,317,901
Fixed Assets	\$ 34,955,657	\$ 26,292,049
Accumulated Depreciation	\$ (3,806,732)	\$ (2,787,761)
Assets Total	\$ 45,496,233	\$ 36,545,151
Liabilities		
Short Term	\$ 2,454,293	\$ 2,292,814
Long Term	\$ 31,402,036	\$ 26,838,313
Liabilities Total	\$ 33,856,329	\$ 29,131,127
Net Assets	\$ 11,639,904	\$ 7,414,024
Liabilities + Fund Balance	\$ 45,496,233	\$ 36,545,151

Per Pupil Amounts	7/31/2021	7/30/2020
PPA YTD Revenue	\$ 965.67	\$ 767.37
PPA YTD Revenue - Fundraising	\$ 130.96	\$ 15.57
PPA YTD Expenses	\$ 605.48	\$ 675.28

Financial Performance Ratios	Current	Target	Benchmark
Current Ratio (Current Assets/Current Liabilities)			
Current Assets	\$ 10,540,576		
Current Liabilities	\$ 2,454,293		
Current Ratio	4.29	Exceeds	= > than 1

Unrestricted Days Cash			
Total Cash Available (at end of period)	\$ 13,322,361		
Total Projected Expenses	\$ 38,721,753		
Total days of the year	365		
Days Cash on Hand	125.58	Exceeds	= > than 60

Debt to Asset Ratio (Total Liabilities/Total Assets)			
Total Liabilities	\$ 33,856,329		
Total Assets	\$ 45,496,233		
Debt to Asset Ratio	0.74	Exceeds	< than .9

Statement of Cash Flows	
Beginning Cash	\$ 11,608,490
Projected Cash Receipts from Operations	\$ 2,125,437
Projected Cash Disbursements from Operations	\$ (1,332,655)
Net Cash from Operations	\$ 12,401,272
Cash Receipts from Accounts Receivable	\$ 1,213,646
Change in Current Assets	\$ -
Capital Expenditures	\$ 51,067
Change in Depreciation	\$ 77,796
Change in Accounts Payable	\$ (154,471)
Change in Current Liabilities	\$ (1,114,352)
Change in Long-term Liabilities	\$ (50,214)
Change in Net Assets	\$ 897,618
Ending Cash Balance	\$ 13,322,361

Contributions	# of Donations	% of Donations
Family Giving	2	0.1%
Board	6	50.0%
Staff	26	8.6%
FLC Funds Raised (net of expenses)	-	

Coversheet

COVID and related policy updates

Section: III. New Business Items
Item: A. COVID and related policy updates
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Submitted by:
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BVP Board Presentation: Reopening Safely 2021-2022 UPDATE

September 20, 2021



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Our Mission

To prepare every scholar for success in college and the world beyond.



Previously Board Adopted Policies

- Universal masking
- Strongly promote vaccination of all who are eligible
- Require weekly tests for unvaccinated staff and athletes
- Conduct on-site surveillance testing for unvaccinated scholars
- Enforce quarantine and isolation requirements
- Limit visitation to those who are vaccinated or can prove a recent negative COVID test
- [Complete Policy Recommendation](#)



Additional Policies Implemented by CEO since the August board meeting

- As communicated by the CEO to the board on September 8, 2021

Going forward, BVP requires all new hires to BVP be vaccinated for COVID-19 by the first day of employment.



BVP policy aligns with White House September 9 vaccine/testing directive

Federal VACCINE MANDATES

- – All federal workers and contractors must get vaccinated, with limited exceptions.
- – Private employers with 100 or more workers will have to require them to be **vaccinated** or **tested weekly**. Employers must provide paid time off for vaccination.



BVP Status Update

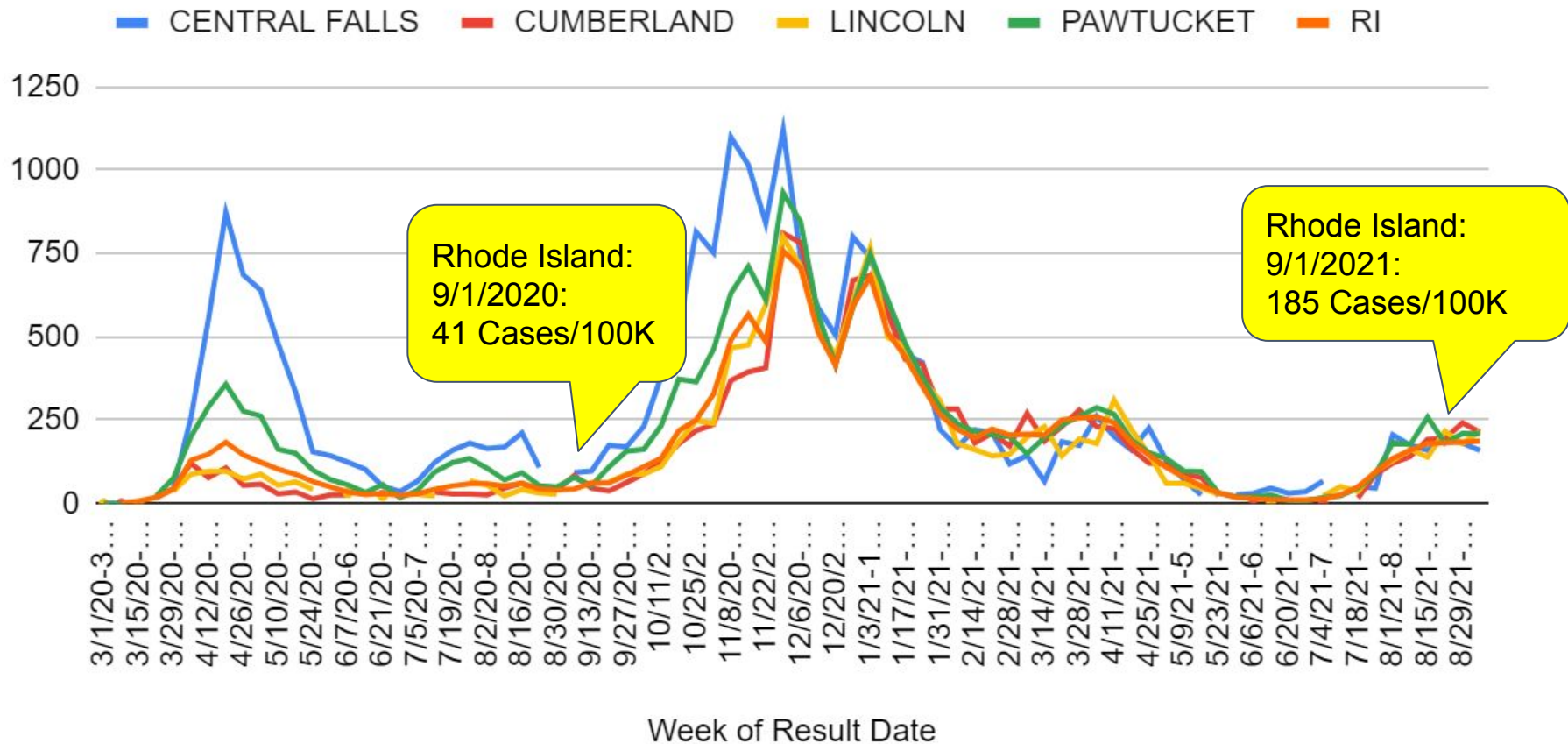
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RI & BVP Community Data is far from the peak, but >400% above this time last year

CENTRAL FALLS, CUMBERLAND, LINCOLN, PAWTUCKET and TOTAL



Key differences between this time last year and now

Fall 2020	Fall 2021
Staged opening of classrooms	Full reopening
Offered Distance Learning (1/3 participated)	No distance learning offered
Alpha Variant	Delta Variant
One-third bus capacity	Full bus capacity
Six feet of distancing	<3 feet of distancing
No vaccines	Vaccines available Ages 12+



BVP opening has been challenging, to say the least

- **Since 8/15, we have been deeply impacted by COVID19:**
 - 28 scholar cases (1 breakthrough)
 - 11 staff cases (7 breakthrough)
- These cases have resulted in at least eight full classroom closures (usually for about a week, but varies by case), and at least five partial or full bus closures
- In all, over 350 people have been contacted by the BVP nursing team regarding close contact status



Good News: BVP cases have been manageable

- **Zero known hospitalizations among scholars and staff this year**
 - Some are fully asymptomatic
 - Most report mild symptoms, and
 - Some have reported intense symptoms

“I don’t remember ever being sick since childhood, and this kicked my butt. I can’t imagine how bad it would have been if I hadn’t been vaccinated.” -Staff member

Troubling News: Breakthrough cases

- **Illustrative Scholar Case**

- JHS or HS scholar fully vaccinated. Came to school with one very mild symptom. Went to the nurse and was sent for a COVID PCR test which came back positive.
 - 40 scholars and staff identified as potential close contacts,
 - 32 were fully vaccinated and told to get tested in days 3-5 of exposure, and continue to attend school,
 - 8 were unvaccinated and were told to be tested immediately, quarantine, and test again between days 5-7 and return with a negative PCR on day 8.

No known school spread from this case.

Troubling News: Breakthrough cases

- **Illustrative Staff Case**

- Fully vaccinated elementary staff member & unvaccinated elementary scholar symptomatic and positive around the same time
 - 28 scholars identified as close contacts
 - None of the 28 scholars eligible for vaccination and directed to test immediately, test again on days 5-7, and directed to quarantine
 - At least 8 scholars in this classroom have tested positive
 - 7 staff members identified as close contacts
 - Most but not all were vaccinated, thus most were able to continue to work. All were recommended to get tested between days 3-5.
 - Note: source of spread unclear if from scholar-teacher-scholars, or teacher-scholars, or scholar-scholar-teacher

Significant school spread from this case.

BVP is not alone



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Rising COVID-19 cases prompt new precautions in Rhode Island

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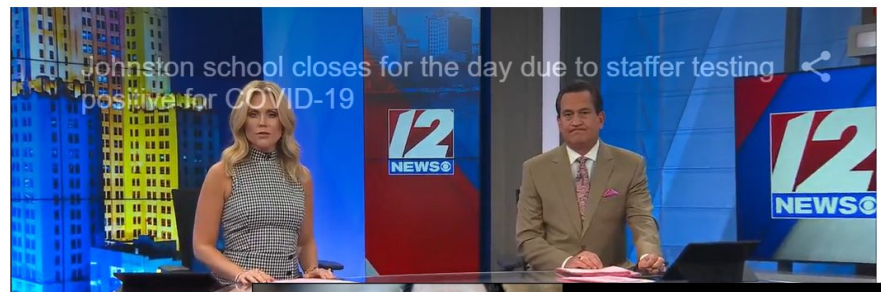


The high school football season officially kicked off last Monday and COVID has struck before a single game could be played.

More: [AT THE SCHOOLS: Time to ramp up high school coverage](#)

SCHOOL UPDATES

Johnston school closes for the day due to staffer testing positive for COVID-19



Testing at BVP

- **Grant funded school-based testing:**
 - Hiring of two CNAs who start this month to support school-based testing
 - Lead Nurse trained to train other nurses on school-based testing
 - Intend to launch early October weekly surveillance testing
- **State-run PCR testing at all six schools to help safely launch the year**
 - Three schools have completed testing, three are in process; 600+ tests conducted with two positive results
- **Required surveillance testing of unvaccinated staff has yielded one positive result**



Path Forward

- Continue to promote vaccination among scholars, staff, and families to form protective layer around our scholars
- Promote booster shots for those eligible
- Begin now to prepare to promote vaccination for younger scholars if/when approved
- Implement surveillance testing
- Pursue “test and stay” program
- Work with RIDE re: attendance requirements and reporting for those directed to stay home

Ultimate goal: preserve in-person instruction



Potential Policy Shifts

- Expand requirement for staff vaccination/testing
 - Require vaccination and/or increase testing frequency for all staff
 - Require vaccination and/or increase testing frequency for certain roles (e.g. athletic coaches, 1:1s)

- Expand requirement for scholar vaccination/testing
 - Require vaccination and/or require testing for all scholars
 - Require vaccination and/or increase testing requirements for scholar athletes and competitive club participants



Discussion

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