



# WILLIAMSPORT

## AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Standing from left: Chaedyn Lockard, Taylor Rockey, Emily Frank, Coach Spring Moore, Lily Hamilton, Ava Carter, WASDEF Executive Director Greg Hayes, Alex Vail, Brayden Harpster, and Cooper Gutberlet. Kneeling from left: Lynnae Campbell, Asher McClelland and Daniel Turner.

## 2 ODYSSEY OF THE MIND TEAMS FROM CURTIN INTERMEDIATE COMPETE, PLACE IN TOP 10 AT THE WORLD FINALS IN FLORIDA

WASDEF granted \$6,000 to support the district's OM teams that competed in the global competition in Orlando.

The education foundation contributed a combination of gifts received from those in the community and area businesses as well as its Annual Fund.

The two contending teams from Curtin Intermediate School competed at the state competition in April, securing their spot at the World Finals.

Listed below are the teams (labeled by problem), and their placement in the World Finals.

“Superhero Socks: A Cliffhanger Beginning,” coached by April Frank and Melanie Vail, placed fourth.

Team members: **Emily Frank, Cooper Gutberlet, Brayden Harpster, Chaedyn Lockard, Taylor Rockey and Alex Vail**

“OMER and the Beanstalk,” coached by Spring Moore, placed ninth.

Team members: **Lynnae Campbell, Ava Carter, Cooper Gutberlet, Lily Hamilton, Asher McClelland and Daniel Turner.**

“To excel in this way in a year in which even previously routine, simple tasks were a challenge via Zoom, is

a true testament to what these kids accomplish through problem solving, creativity and teamwork,” said Spring Moore, coach and the district’s volunteer OM coordinator.

This was the seventh year WASD teams have competed at the World Finals.

During the 2019-2020 school year, during the virtual World Finals, Curtin teams came in second and 20th places, and WAHS in eighth and 15th places.

In 2019, two teams from WAMS and Cochran were successful in the program’s regional, state and world competitions. Those teams competed at Iowa State University, both ranking within the top 15 spots.

Odyssey of the Mind is a competition that blends creativity, engineering and teamwork. It is 100 percent student-directed, with adult coaches acting as guides. For more information, or to review synopses of this year’s program problems, visit

[www.odysseyofthemind.com](http://www.odysseyofthemind.com).

## CAMPAIGN TO HONOR TEACHERS RAISES \$4,460 TO SUPPORT MINI-GRANT PROGRAM

Larson Design Group (LDG) and McDonald’s partnered with WASDEF in a week-long effort to pay tribute to teachers and raise funds to support classrooms during Teacher Appreciation Week in May.

WASDEF invited the community to honor teachers — both past and present — with a commemorative donation to its Teacher Mini-Grant Program, which annually provides teachers with an opportunity to receive \$1,500 classroom grants.

Additionally, for teachers who received donations in their honor, Amazon gift cards also were given to them to support their classroom supply needs — which can be largely self-funded — this fall.

The foundation received \$4,460 in donations and, in addition, was able to provide \$2,130 in Amazon gift cards.

“Teachers are the foundation of a great education. LDG believes strongly in supporting them by providing resources that create environments in which students thrive,” said Terry Krezmer, chief human resources officer.

A family-oriented business, local McDonald’s owner and operator Andrew Kelley expressed his support of the work teachers do every day.

“We’re incredibly appreciative of our teachers and what they do for students on a daily basis,” Kelley said. “As local business owners and parents, we’re happy to get behind the education foundation’s effort to help pay tribute to our teachers here in the district and provide financial support for the work they do in their classrooms.”





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- September 7
- September 21
- October 5
- October 19
- November 9
- December 7

All meetings begin at 6 p.m. Please monitor our website for how meetings will be conducted.

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**ON THE COVER**

Senior and Millionaire football wide receiver/defensive back **Keith Freeman** runs the ball during a game against the Dallas Mountaineers last fall.



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## A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Community,

Welcome to the start of the 2021-2022 school year! We're excited to welcome students back to the classroom for full-time, in-person learning as we open a new year as close to normal as possible.

Our board of directors approved our Health and Safety Plan this summer to help guide us and our families as we continue to move forward. That plan is outlined on page nine of this newsletter (and can be reviewed in its entirety under the COVID-19 section of our website). I'm hopeful we can sustain our "normal start" and hold to the current status of our plan as the year gets further under way, but, as you know, concerns of variants could very well cause us to have to adapt how we operate for the safety of all our students, faculty and staff.

We've come off of an incredibly challenging year. I can't thank our district families enough for their support, cooperation

and patience as we worked to navigate our way through the health crisis last year. With that, I ask for the same understanding this year should the need arise for us to have to quickly shift operations.

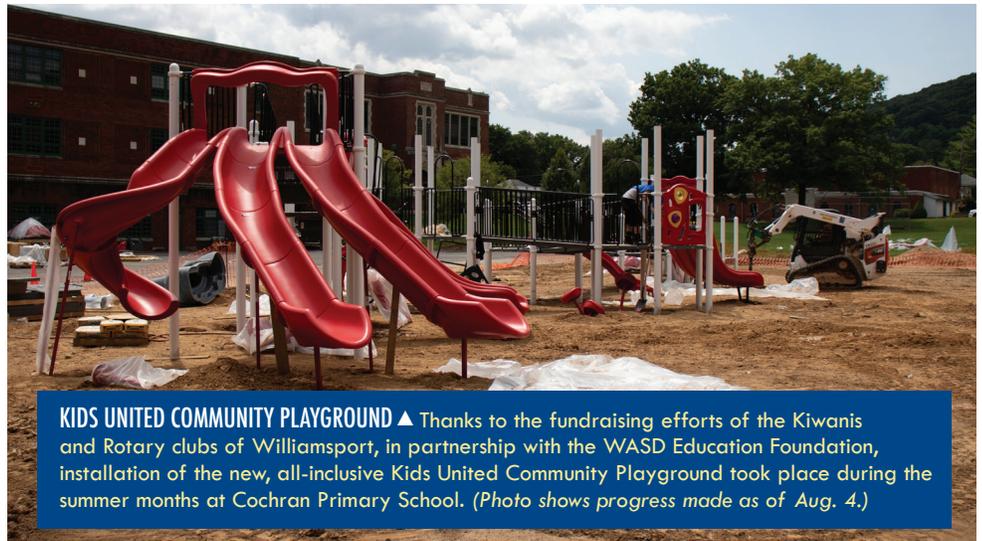
As usual, it's been a very busy summer for us here as we worked to prepare for another year. I commend our entire team, from administrators to our maintenance crew, for their work and diligence to ensure that we are ready to go on Aug. 30.

I believe we have another successful year ahead of us. I hope you take the time to review some of our accomplishments in this newsletter that we plan to build upon in 2021-2022.

Sincerely,

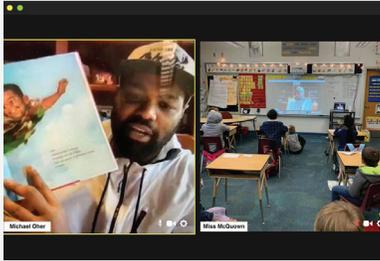


**Dr. Timothy S. Bowers**  
Superintendent



**KIDS UNITED COMMUNITY PLAYGROUND** ▲ Thanks to the fundraising efforts of the Kiwanis and Rotary clubs of Williamsport, in partnership with the WASD Education Foundation, installation of the new, all-inclusive Kids United Community Playground took place during the summer months at Cochran Primary School. (Photo shows progress made as of Aug. 4.)

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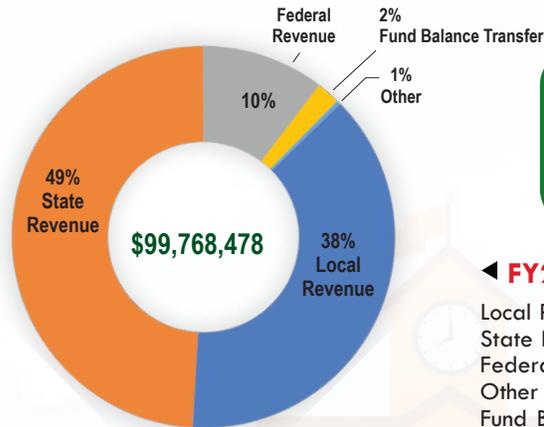
**RETIRED NFL PLAYER MICHAEL OHER** took some time to virtually read to and talk with second-grade students in Kristiann McQuown's class at Cochran Primary in March. Mr. Oher talked to them about working hard, following their dreams and not quitting. He also read them the story "I Am Every Good Thing" by Derrick Barnes.

**AS THE DISTRICT WRAPPED UP ITS 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR**, it pledged its farewell to 30 retirees. In a video tribute, administrators and supervisors said goodbye to this year's class of retirees, who, together, represented more than 740 years of experience.



**IN AN EFFORT TO PROMOTE SAFE WALKING HABITS**, the Lycoming County chapter of Safe Kids Pennsylvania donated 40 copies of "Clifford Takes a Walk" to WASD kindergarten classrooms and primary school libraries in April.

## BY THE NUMBERS > 2021-2022 BUDGET



A .35-mill increase, or 2% tax increase, was approved for the 2021-22 fiscal year. For a property assessed at \$100,000, the increase will be \$35.

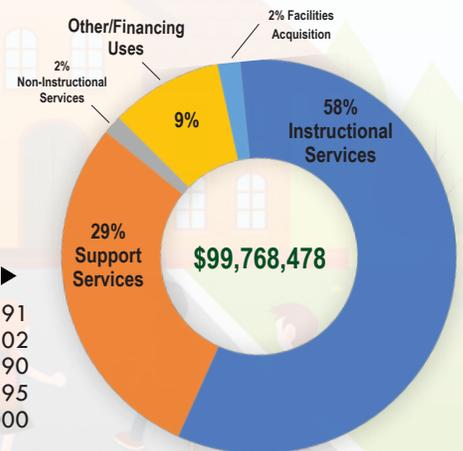
### FY22 Estimated Revenue

Local Revenue	\$38,186,175
State Revenue	48,951,344
Federal Revenue	10,335,211
Other Revenue	300,000
Fund Balance Transfer(s)	1,995,748

With a projected enrollment of 4,633, the cost per student for FY22 is \$21,534.

### FY22 Estimated Expenses

Instructional	\$58,136,891
Support Services	29,110,502
Non-Instructional	1,534,890
Other/Financing	9,151,195
Facilities Acquisition	1,835,000



## WASD SCHEDULED TO RECEIVE MORE THAN \$29M IN COVID RELIEF FUNDS

As part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Congress has provided financial support for districts and schools through the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Funds to address the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"ESSER funds are distributed to states based on each state's proportionate share of Title I, Part A (Title I-A) funding from 2019," according to the Pennsylvania Department of Education. "ESSER funds are intended to support COVID-19 response efforts and may be spent on a wide range of allowable activities."

WASD is scheduled to receive more than \$28.8 million dollars of the \$7.2 billion Pennsylvania plans distribute to school districts and charter schools.

In addition, WASD also received \$966,400 of emergency funding last winter through the Lycoming County Commissioners.

Emergency relief funding received by WASD so far has largely been used to support the technology infrastructure for distance learning during the 2020-2021 school year, and, subsequently, accelerate the district's implementation of a new 1:1 Log In, Learn On initiative.

Additionally, funds also have been used to purchase necessary PPE equipment, health screening devices, and sanitation and cleaning supplies for buildings and classrooms across the district to help slow the spread of COVID-19.

The district continues to work on a spending plan for the remainder of relief funds available.



## 150th COMMENCEMENT: **CLASS OF 2021**

**Congratulations to the Class of 2021—you made it!** Best wishes to our recent grads as they move into their future this year. We're proud of all you've done and can't wait to see what you'll do. Best of luck, and remember, *once a Millionaire, always a Millionaire.*

**297**

students were awarded their high school diploma

**\$66,945**

was awarded in scholarships and awards by the WASD Education Foundation



"Wherever we may go, we are all taking a different path towards the people we want to be. That is now the new connecting road to all of us here tonight; the drive to be the best people we can be. ... Maybe we should take the advice of Dr. Seuss when he said, 'Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened.' "

**MAYA TRUMP**  
*Class of 2021*





**WAMS AND WAHS** conducted their National Junior and National Honor Society ceremonies last spring. Between the two schools, 169 students were collectively celebrated for their memberships and 80 students were inducted, 32 at WAMS and 48 at WAHS.

**THE CLASS OF 2021'S TOP 5 PERCENT** were recognized in May during the eighth annual Top Hat Dinner held at the Genetti Hotel. Seventeen seniors were celebrated for their academic excellence, as well as their selected faculty honorees who influenced and inspired that success.

**THIRTY-SIX STUDENTS** involved in WAHS's School-to-Work Program were honored during its annual Community Partners Appreciation Breakfast at the high school in May.

**WAHS SENIOR TOMMY HARPER** won the Pennsylvania Foundation for Housing and Endorsed Trade Program Student Recognition Award.

Harper, a student in Randy Williamson's Construction Trades Program, was selected because of his "dedication and hard work displayed in learning the trade." As winner, Harper received a \$250 check and a Recognition Award Certificate in appreciation for his dedication to the trade.



## WAHS CHORAL TEACHER RECEIVES PMEA '2021 CITATION OF EXCELLENCE'

The Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) recently honored Williamsport Area High School teacher Kent Weaver, now retired, with its 2021 Citation of Excellence for District 8.

The citation is awarded to "PMEA members who have made lasting contributions in their area of teaching."

"I am indeed honored to receive the PMEA Citation of Excellence Award," Weaver said. "I must acknowledge and share this honor with my music colleagues of WASD, who, without their mastery in teaching music and their professionalism, make this honor possible."

Weaver, who retired in June after 31 years at WAHS, is the only K-12 teacher in the state to have been awarded the citation twice since 2000.

He last received the award in 2010.

"Kent Weaver has dedicated himself to the craft of creating momentous musical moments for his students and the greater

Williamsport community to savor, has been dedicated to developing strong musicians prepared to enter the field of music if they so desired, and has been dedicated to developing great people who go on to give back to society in so many ways," said Head Principal Dr. Brandon Pardoe.

Weaver joined the WAHS teaching team as a music instructor in 1990. For over 30 years, he helped 69 students qualify for All-State Choir; led choirs to eight state and national conferences (1992, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1999, 2003, 2007 and 2013); produced and directed 21 musicals; took choirs to perform at The White House 16 times under four presidents; and has taken choirs to perform at the Pennsylvania Governor's Residence.

## WASD ONCE AGAIN RANKS AMONG NATION'S BEST COMMUNITIES FOR MUSIC EDUCATION

WASD once again was recognized last spring as one of the Best Communities for Music Education from The NAMM Foundation for its outstanding commitment to music education.

This is the 19th time in 20 years that WASD has received the designation. It is awarded to districts that demonstrate outstanding achievement in efforts to provide music access and education to all students.

The district was among only 686 schools selected nationally.





# BACK TO SCHOOL

## Introducing New Roles, Faces of School, Department Leadership Across WASD for 2021-2022

The new school year will bring with it many faculty and staff changes, especially for those serving in building or department leadership roles. Meet our new leaders who are either brand new to the district or have transferred positions.

**E**rin Brouse is Jackson Primary School's new assistant principal, replacing Tyler Barth, who left the district in June.

Brouse began her career in education in 2001 as a third-grade teacher in the Wellsboro Area School District and has been part of the Millionaire team since 2004. She comes to her new administrative role most recently from working as a primary instructional coach and reading specialist.

**Kirk Felix** is now the head principal at Cochran Primary School, transferring into the role in a full-time capacity after serving a year as head principal of both Cochran and Jackson Primary schools.

Felix began his career in education at WASD as an elementary teacher in 1997, and, since 2004, has served as a principal at a number of elementary buildings.

**Tristin Forney** is now the dean of students at Lycoming Valley Intermediate School, replacing Assistant Principal Bill Emery, who retired at the end of the 2020-2021 school year.

Forney began his career in education in 2007 at the School District of Philadelphia as an eighth-grade math and science teacher and came to WASD in 2008. His

move to LVIS comes after his first year as dean of students at both Cochran and Jackson Primary schools last year.

**Corrina Gnoffo** is brand-new to the district this year as its new director of health services. She replaces Krista Fagnano, who retired in June.

Gnoffo became an RN in 2008, and comes to her new role most recently from working at the neuroscience center at UPMC Susquehanna.

**Theresa Montgomery** also is new to the district this year as Jackson Primary School's new head principal.

Montgomery began her career in education in 1989 at Bedford Area School District. During her 30-year career there, she was a kindergarten, second-, fifth- and seventh-grade teacher. She comes to WASD having most recently worked as an elementary school principal in the Huntingdon Area School District.

**Adam Paulhamus** is the new assistant principal at Curtin Intermediate School, replacing Bill Rathjen, who retired in June.

Paulhamus began his career in

education in 2011 as a fourth-grade teacher at Milton Area School District. He joined the WASD in 2019 as a fifth-grade teacher at Curtin, a position from which he most recently left to take on his new administrative role.

**Dr. Amy Wolfhope-Briggs** will be the district's new director of special education beginning Sept. 7, replacing Sheila Shull, who retires on Sept. 23. Wolfhope-Briggs began her career in education in 2006 as a speech/language pathologist at BLaST IU #17 and first joined WASD in 2017. She will transfer to her new position from working as the district's secondary special education supervisor.



**BROUSE**



**FELIX**



**FORNEY**



**GNOFFO**



**MONTGOMERY**



**PAULHAMUS**



**WOLFHOPE-BRIGGS**

# sport shorts



**JOINED BY FRIENDS, TEAMMATES, FAMILY AND COACHES**, 19 student-athletes signed on in May to shed their Millionaire gear this fall by committing to college athletics.



Williamsport's Allen Taylor clears a hurdle during the 110 hurdles final at the PIAA Track and Field Championships on Saturday at Shippensburg University's South Grove Stadium. Taylor won the event in 16.13 seconds.

## No surprise

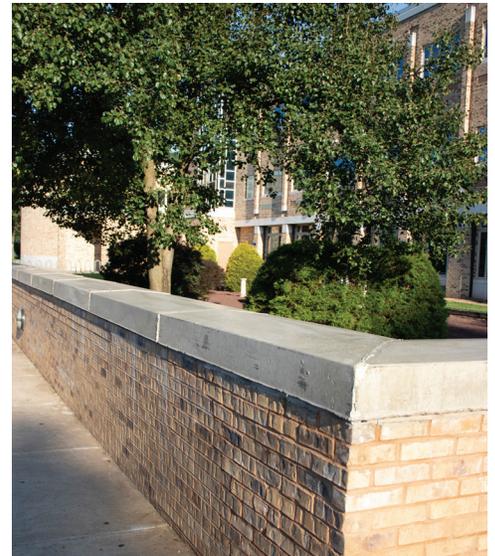
**Taylor wins 110 hurdles state title despite aggravating injury**

By MITCHELL BUREPER  
SHIPPENSBURG — An Williamsport athlete won the 110 hurdles state title in 2021. He is the first to do so since 1991. Taylor was an emotional winner as he celebrated his victory on the track at Shippensburg University's South Grove Stadium. Taylor won the event in 16.13 seconds.

**WAHS SENIOR TRÉ TAYLOR** earned a gold medal win and snagged the state title at the PIAA AAA Track and Field Championships in the 110 hurdles. Senior **Shaheem Hill** also medaled with a fourth-place finish in the high jump.



**CONSTRUCTION UPDATE** Our maintenance crews kept busy over the summer preparing and improving school grounds ahead of a new year. At top, renovation work was finished at Balls Mills Soccer Complex, complete with a new turf field and lighting, among other improvements. At left, the stone cap on the wall outside Jackson Primary was completely replaced. In addition, work around the district also included replacing playground mulch at Jackson and Hepburn-Lycoming Primary schools and Balls Mills; roof restoration at WAHS; blacktop repairs at the service complex, Cochran Primary and Curtin Intermediate; water drainage improvements to the playground at Jackson Primary; and campus landscaping work.



## PASSION PROJECT: 2021 GRAD DESIGNS MURAL THAT PAYS HOMAGE TO PROGRAM

Recent WAHS grad **Sara Eiswert** literally left her mark behind at her now-alma mater by designing and painting a mural (pictured at right) before accepting her diploma in June.

Eiswert was among the first set of students to participate in the high school's Homeland Security program, which launched in the fall of 2019 within the school's Career and Technical Education (CTE) Program.

Her mural, displayed in the Homeland Security program's lab space, incorporates the Star of Life and the Williamsport Bureau of Fire and Williamsport Bureau of Police badges.

Aside from her love of art, "Sara found her passion for emergency medical services while obtaining her emergency medical



technician (EMT) certificate," said program teacher Melanie Bertin.

"This passion for public safety has led to Sara enrolling at Pennsylvania College of Technology in a dual-degree program, where she will earn Emergency Management (B.S.) and Paramedic Science (A.A.S.) degrees," Bertin said.



# REOPENING

✓ COVID Safe

## SAFELY WELCOMING BACK OUR FACULTY, STAFF AND STUDENTS TO A NEW YEAR

WASD is excited and ready to safely welcome all students back to school for in-person learning. We believe that welcoming students back to our classrooms in person and surrounding them with caring educators and critical supports is the best way to help them grow academically and re-engage in the learning.

**F**aculty, staff and students return for a new year beginning Aug. 30. Below is an outline of our board-approved Health & Safety plan and what our families can expect. *(Note: Plan is subject to change based on COVID-19 conditions.)*

- **Learning Format** – Full day, in-person instruction five days per week.
- **Health Screening** – Staff and families are asked to assess that they or their children are symptom-free before they come into schools and district offices.
- **Masks & Facial Coverings** – Schools will open with mask coverings as optional at the personal choice and preference of our families. Masking *will* be required on all school buses, including athletic transportation.
- **Social Distancing** – Three feet of distance will be encouraged where possible.

### • **Confirmed Positive COVID-19 Cases**

- *Communication:* impacted schools and families informed
- *Person Testing Positive:* in-home isolation required for at least 10 days
- *Classrooms or School Closures:* only if advised by the state Department of Health

### • **Continuity of Education** – Students who are quarantining or isolating will receive instructional support while at home.

### • **Cleaning & Sanitizing** – Schools will be cleaned and sanitized throughout the day, every day and after school. Students will be encouraged to maintain good hand-washing and sanitation practices.

### • **Extra-curricular Activities & Sports** – All activities will return as normal.

To review our Health & Safety Plan in full, or for any updates, visit the COVID-19 section of our website at [wasd.org](https://www.wasd.org).

## PROVISION OF FREE MEALS FOR ALL STUDENTS TO CONTINUE

Due to the ongoing public health emergency, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has given schools the flexibility to operate the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) this year. **WASD will operate under the SSO and will provide a healthy breakfast and lunch FREE of charge to ALL students.** Households are still encouraged to complete and submit an application for free and reduced-price meals.

Free-and-reduced data is used to help maintain meal count system requirements, report to the Department of Education for funding formulas, and establish eligibility for other benefits, particularly Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer (P-EBT) and Emergency Broadband Benefit.



**IT DOESN'T HAVE TO END HERE!** Want more? Our online presence continues to grow! Keep up-to-date with announcements, photos, news and events happening around the district on a daily basis by following us on social media. Join the conversation and become a part of the WASD online community that has grown to more than 10,600 people!



**ONE 'GIANT' GIFT** ▲ The Giant Co. presented WASD with \$21,487 in May to benefit its food service program. The contribution was made with money raised through the company's Feeding School Kids initiative, an effort focused on supporting food programs at local public schools to address childhood hunger. Pictured above from left is local Giant Store Manager Tom Woodring; WASD Food Service Director Patty Webster; and WASD Business Administrator Wanda Erb.

**FROM THE (VIDEO) VAULT** ▼



The year's 1985. The first mobile phone call is made in Britain, "Back-to-the-Future" becomes the top-grossing movie of the year, Coca-Cola tries its hand at "New Coke," and Super Mario Bros. for Nintendo is introduced to the world for the first time. The world and nation were pretty active that year, and the Marching Millionaires briefly entered the national spotlight — in a sense — when it marched in Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City.

Led by band director Paul Kellerman at the time, families raised \$30,000 to make the trip happen for a "fleeting moment in view of the whole country," states news reporter Rick Mason of 28 Eyewitness News at the time. The video is available on the district's YouTube channel. To watch now, scan the QR code:



**'SHARE THE MILLIONAIRE LOVE'** ▲ Last February, schools across the district entered into a month-long "Share the (Millionaire) Love" campaign. Headed up by the district's team of school social workers, psychologists and counselors, it was an effort to promote the impact of daily small acts of kindness and compassion to help uplift one another.



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# WASD EDUCATION FOUNDATION WELCOMES 3 NEW MEMBERS

The WASD Education Foundation is pleased to announce this year's recent appointment of three new members to its board of directors.

Joining the board are Jon Mackey, Marwin Reeves and Loriann Rose.

Mackey is the owner of JM Quizzo Productions and, before returning to Williamsport, was a Philadelphia police officer.

Currently serving on City Council, he's previously been the president of Cochran Primary School's PTO and most recently was a member of the Williamsport Business Association.

"As a parent of two in (the district), I feel it is important to take an active role in making sure that not only my own children, but every child, has the best experience possible," Mackey said of his decision to serve on the board.

Reeves, who retired from the Federal Bureau of Prisons, is the Pastor and CEO of Christ Community Worship Center and L.I.F.E. Child Care Learning Center.

In the community, he also serves on the



**MACKEY**



**REEVES**



**ROSE**

First Community Foundation Partnership of Pennsylvania Board of Directors, Human Services Advisory Board and is a member of the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice (NABCJ).

A parent of two Williamsport Area High School grads, Reeves said he believes serving on the education foundation board "will allow me to apply my skills, abilities and talents to a team of persons involved in the work of helping kids achieve their educational goals."

A community volunteer, active parent and WASD advocate, Rose, a former teacher in the Danville Area School District, brings extensive educational and volunteer experience to the board.

She currently works as a substitute teacher in the district while also serving on the Curtin Intermediate School PTO. She's previously been a member of the Cochran Primary School PTO, and the American Cancer Association's Relay for Life Pancreatic Awareness and Pediatric Cancer Research committees. She also has served as a board member for her family's

scholarship fund, The Angeli Memorial Scholarship, since 1998, as well as a number of other committees for athletic and religious events.

"I believe that my experience as an educator, past and present, will provide great insight into the educational and communal needs of the district ... (that will) aide in making decisions that are best for the Williamsport education foundation," Rose said.

"We are pleased to welcome these three individuals to the board," said President Dr. Brooke Beiter. "Their varied skills and expertise will help to further develop and grow the education foundation. We look forward to working with them."



**PARTICIPANT FEATURE** ◀ WAHS grad **Tymir James '17** benefitted from a program supported by WASDEF when he was a senior. Scan to watch his story on why he's chosen to go 'over the edge' in this year's event.



## NEW BOARD LEADERSHIP

The WASDEF Board of Directors appointed Dr. Brooke Beiter as its new president and Rose-Marie Gross as vice president, both of whom assumed their new positions on July 1.

Beiter, who is employed by BLAST IU #17 as its Director of Educational Planning, has served on the foundation board since 2018.

Gross, a Business Systems Analyst for Wilmington Trust Co., has taken over as vice president, to replace board member Audra Mazzante. Gross served as WASDEF's president for three years, and has been with the foundation board since 2017.



**BEITER**



**GROSS**



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