# Lexington Staff Update March 22, 2019

From the office of the Treasurer...

# All Staff

- We'd like to offer a special welcome to Cynthia Patrick who was hired as a new bus driver.
- The deadline to submit 2018-19 requisitions for purchase orders is April 26<sup>th</sup>; everything should be submitted to your principal or supervisor for end-of-year purchases.
- When submitting requisitions, please remember to include the appropriate account codes to help ensure intended funds are properly used for the purchase. Any questions regarding account codes can be directed to building secretaries or the Treasurer's Office.

# **Anthem Rx**

Beginning July 1, 2019, Anthem will launch IngenioRx, its new pharmacy benefit manager which will replace ExpressScripts for our pharmacy. Anthem has indicated that this transition will be made with as little disruption as possible and that most of the changes will occur behind the scenes. However, they will be sending information to each of us members detailing the transition and any steps we need to take for our personal prescription needs.

Given this transition, please be on the lookout for information from Anthem as they have indicated this information will be mailed approximately 45 days from the July 1<sup>st</sup> transition. If you should have any questions, please contact the Treasurer's Office.

### **Inventory Location Worksheets**

Every couple of years, in an effort to ensure accuracy of the District's inventory records, we send out Inventory Location Worksheets to verify the location of existing District equipment. After we return from Spring Break, we will be sending out these worksheets. Once received, please review the worksheets, note any necessary corrections, and confirm equipment locations as timely as possible so that we can ensure all inventory records are accurate prior to the end of the year. Thank you for your assistance with this!

### **Useful?** Information:

### Million vs. Billion

 One million seconds amounts to 11.5 days....but one billion seconds amounts to 31.7 years!!!



# **Facilities Communications:**

### Facilities Update

At the end of February, we were able to attend the monthly meeting of the OFCC. During this meeting, Mr. Ziegelhofer shared various points with the Commission and expressed our desire to be considered for the **Expedited Local Partnership Program (ELPP)** to allow for us to move forward with our project in a more timely manner.

Soon after the February meeting, we received a call from one of the OFCC Directors describing the next steps necessary to move forward with our project under ELPP. A conference call was then held with the OFCC representatives on March 7<sup>th</sup> and an additional meeting was held with them here at the District on March 12<sup>th</sup> to develop a plan and to review the next steps in the process.

At the March 20<sup>th</sup> Board of Education meeting, the Board approved the ELPP application and resolution to proceed with the OFCC ELPP program for the first portion of our project. The OFCC is now preparing the necessary packet for Board approval detailing the portion of the project to be completed under ELPP. Once received from OFCC, the Board will schedule a Special Meeting to approve this ELPP packet.

Once this packet is approved by our Board, it will be placed on the OFCC agenda for approval at their meeting on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Once approved by OFCC, the application will then require approval by the State of Ohio Controlling Board, which is scheduled to meet on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Once approved by the OFCC and Controlling Board, we will then be able to begin working on the planning/design process and timeline for one of our buildings as soon as June 2019. Participation in ELPP will lock in our local share percentage at 47% and the State share percentage at 53% through the construction of both buildings.

In determining which building is the most advantageous to complete in this first phase, based on the counsel of David Conley with Rockmill Financial (Municipal Advisor), Becky Princehorn with Bricker & Eckler (Bond Counsel), TDA Architects, and the OFCC, we are advised to do the 7-12 building first for a number of reasons. These include:

- 1.) Financially, completing the larger project first helps avoid inflationary factors and other cost increases on the larger project;
- **2.)** A greater number of our current students will be able to experience being in a new building by completing the 7-12 building first;
- **3.)** Replacing the oldest building in our District sooner.

This is all **very** exciting and positive news, and we are very thankful for all of the support to get to this point. We will continue to provide updates as we progress through this process.

# Have a GREAT Spring Break!!!!

