

# Board Briefs

BLUE VALLEY SCHOOLS

*Education Beyond Expectations*

Dec. 10, 2018

## Board honors students for perfect ACT achievement

The Board honored 27 students who have earned a perfect score on the ACT test. Only two-tenths of 1 percent of all students who take the ACT test earn this perfect score of 36. The ACT test is a curriculum-based achievement exam that tests in English, mathematics, reading and science.

## Board recognizes Blue Valley Friend of Education

The Blue Valley Board of Education honored [Diagnostic Imaging Centers, P.A.](#) with the 2018 Friends of Education award. This award is presented annually to recognize organizations or individuals who have played a critical role in contributing toward leadership or quality in education. Diagnostic Imaging joins the following 2018 Friends of Education recipients, honored at the November 2018 meeting:

- **School District Volunteer** – [Pat Bittinger](#)
- **Community Leaders** – [Rep. Dr. Joy Koesten](#) and [Rep. Patty Markley](#)
- **Community/Civic Organization** – [BV Well](#)

## Board honors Gillam, Goodwin, Veach, Phifer and Arbucci

**Jason Gillam**, director of business operations, was honored for receiving his Administrator of School Finance and Operations certification. He is only the second person in the state of Kansas to receive this certification. **Stephanie Goodwin**, nurse para educator at Aubry Bend Middle, and **Regan Veach**, English as a second language (ESOL) paraprofessional at Overland Trail Middle, were honored with the Distinguished Service Award. **Michelle Phifer**, ESOL teacher at Oak Hill Elementary, and **Mike Arbucci**, music strings teacher at Harmony Middle, were honored with the Excellence in Education Award.

## Board receives the 2018-19 Enrollment Report

**Erik Pollom**, planning and demographic research coordinator, presented the annual district enrollment report. Enrollment for the 2018-19 school year came in at 22,206 students in grades K-12. Pollom projected modest growth in district enrollment over the next few years.

## Board approves bidding authorization

The Board approved bidding authorization for the 2019-20 District-wide Envelope Package A.

## Board approves Legislative Positions

The Board approved the 2019 Legislative Positions. These legislative positions will help guide the district's advocacy for education during the 2019 session. To view the 2019 Legislative Positions, visit [www.bluevalleyk12.org/legislative](http://www.bluevalleyk12.org/legislative).



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