

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

TO

THE RALEIGH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

**(For the 2025-2026 School Year)**

FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2025

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**CENTRAL OFFICE**

A. Recommended for Transfer

Benjamin Hazelwood – from Assistant Network Administrator (*240-day employment term*) – Technology Department to Systems Administrator (*240-day employment term*) – Technology Department – eff. 7/01/25  
Tammy Acord – from Principal (**215-day employment term**) to Director of Office of Special Programs (**240-day employment term**) – Special Education – eff. 07/01/25

**ELEMENTARY TEACHERS**

A. Recommended for Appointment – **Probationary Contract – First One-Year** – eff. 08/19/25

Annie Johnson – First Grade Teacher – Stratton Elementary

**EXTRA-CURRICULAR SECONDARY**

A. Resignation

Michael Keith – Baseball Coach – Assistant – Liberty High – eff. 06/18/25  
Tracy Raban – Girls' Basketball Coach – Head – Shady Spring High – eff. 06/18/25  
Chastity Trump – Cross Country Coach – Head – Trap Hill Middle – eff. 06/03/25  
Homer Vass – Sports Trainer – Liberty High – eff. 06/17/25

B. Recommended for Appointment – eff. 07/01/25

Natasha Cook – Cheer Coach – Assistant – **Non-Paid** – Independence Middle  
Kenneth Grogg – Football Coach – Assistant – **Non-Paid** – Independence High  
Johnnie Smith – Boys 'Basketball Coach – Assistant – **Non-Paid** -Shady Spring High

C. The following persons are not fully certified and licensed as educators and are recommended for the listed extracurricular positions under the provisions of subsection (4) of West Virginia Code 18A-3-2a – *Pending Licensure* – eff. 07/01/25

Larry Derringer Jr. – Football Coach – Assistant – **Non-Paid** – Shady Spring Middle

**SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS**

A. Recommended for Appointment – eff. 2025-2026 school term

Jessica Rubin

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**SUMMER 2025**

**Summer ESY Teachers**

A. Recommended for Appointment – 06/23/25 thru 07/21/25; no school 07/04/25; daily rate of pay; Monday thru Friday; 8am thru 12pm; based on need as reflected thru enrollment

Kelly Tucker – Substitute Teacher

**Summer Painters**

A. Resignation

Michelle Ward – Summer Painter – Maintenance – eff. 06/16/25

B. Recommended for Appointment – eff. 06/30/25 until regular employment term for 2025-2026 begins; daily rate of pay; Monday thru Thursday; maximum 10 hours/day; daily schedule to be determined by Director of School Maintenance

Jackie Murphy – Summer Painter – Maintenance

**FEDERAL PROGRAMS**

A. Recommended for Transfer – eff. 08/19/25

Kelsi Meadows – from Social Worker – Beckley-Stratton Middle to Social Worker – Bradley Elementary/Coal City Elementary

**SPECIAL EDUCATION**

**Teachers**

A. Recommended for Appointment – **Probationary Contract – First One-Year** – eff. 08/19/25

Rayna Horton – Pre-K/Preschool Special Needs Teacher (Ridgeview Elementary)

**Aides**

A. Recommended for Transfer – eff. 08/19/25

Amy Harper – from Instructional/Bus/Multicategorical Moderate Personal Care Aide IV/Paraprofessional (Liberty High) (Itinerant) to Pre-K/Preschool Special Needs Aide IV/ECCAT-I/Paraprofessional (Hollywood Elementary)

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**AIDES**

A. Resignation

Rayna Horton – First Grade Aide IV/ECCAT-II/Paraprofessional – Maxwell Hill Elementary – eff. 08/04/25

**CUSTODIANS**

A. Resignation

Jackie Murphy – Custodian III (*210-day employment term*) (*night shift*) – Beckley-Stratton Middle – eff. 06/17/25

**SECRETARIES**

A. Recommended for Transfer – eff. 08/08/25

Susan Smith – from Secretary III/Accountant II (**205-day employment term**) – Mabscott Elementary to Secretary III/Accountant II (**210-day employment term**) – Independence High