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# **Recreational marihuana approved**

#### By Carolyn Marnon

The Wayne City Council adopted Ordinance 2020-04 at their meeting on July 21, 2020. The ordinance provides and establishes a process and procedure for the application and licensing requirement for Medical Marihuana Facilities under the Medical Marihuana Facilities Act and for Recreational Marihuana Establishments under the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act within the City of Wayne.

Wayne businessman Scott Gocaj notes that people drive through Wayne all day long, but when it comes to purchasing recreational marihuana, they are going to other nearby cities that have already approved sales. He points out that Wayne already has medical marihuana facilities, so adding recreational marihuana to them wasn't changing anything. "These locations are only for people who want to go. They're not there for anybody who doesn't want to go. They're already there in existence now as medical facilities. That's not changing anything other than giving your business owners an opportunity to take care of their families and invest more in their community."

Paul Russo, owner of Wayne Re-Leaf which took over the former Wayne Bowl bowling alley on Michigan Avenue, says that the businesses are losing dollars because they are



Wayne ReLeaf which took over the former Wayne Bowl bowling alley at 36900 Michigan Avenue.

not able to sell recreational marihuana, thus people walk out of the business to go elsewhere. "We are taking an eyesore away from the city. The city folks that come into the shop are very pleased at what we've done on the outside, cleaning it up, changing the colors of it."

Russo speaks about plans to do educational classes for people to learn about marihuana. "We've gotta



Scott Gocaj, owner of Michigan's Finest, with One of Michigan's Finest house strains, Skywalker OG is a potent cross between the hugely popular Skywalker and OG Kush strains. Skywalker OG is a go-to strain for people seeking relief from chronic stress, pain due to injury or illness, cramping, and mild to moderate cases of depression.



break that stigma where marihuana is bad," he says. He adds that people who live in Wayne want to spend their dollars in Wayne. They don't want to go to another city to make their purchases.

The first \$20 million collected in excise taxes on recreational marihuana in Michigan over the first two years since the law was passed in 2018 must be spent on medical research that involves marihuana. After that \$20 million is met, 15% of revenues will go to cities that have recreational businesses, proportioned to the number of those businesses in the cities.

Shannon Leija, General Manager of Wayne ReLeaf, 36900 Michigan Avenue, says the City Council's approval of recreational marihuana will make a big impact on the business. Everyday people visit the business looking for recreational marihuana and have to be turned away. She wants Wayne residents to know "We are here to run a business and to give back to the community. We are trying to be a part of the community and not just benefit from the



Michigan's Finest, 39112 Van Born Rd.

community. We want to benefit the community as well."

According to Scott Gocaj, owner of Michigan's Finest, 39112 Van Born Rd, "Recreational marihuana is good for consumers in the City of Wayne because it makes our residents in Wayne and our neighbors in adjoining cities to get their medical and/or recreational needs met more conveniently. Myself and my location is always available for anybody to come to get their medical needs fulfilled. We look forward to serving the needs of the recreational user and we are located discreetly for people's privacy."

Wayne also has two other Medical Marihuana Facilities Holistic Health at 38110 Michigan Avenue and Nature's Medicines Dispensary at 5405 Cogswell Road.

### **NEWS BRIEFS**

There are **eleven candidates running for three open spots on the Wayne Westland Community Schools Board of Trustees.** Voting will take place during the November 3 election. Please take time before then to be an informed voter. Get to know the candidates by visiting their Facebook pages (if they have one), reading any election material you may receive, and if you have questions, contacting them to get answers.

Below is a list of who is running for office. Melandie Hines is running for re-election. Carol Middel and Shawna Walker are not running for re-election.

John Albrecht Daniel Beier Eric Cleereman Sheree Conn Timothy Gilbert Melandie Hines Angela Jackson-Irvine David James Susan Lachhman Kimberly May Gayle Nicholson

Wayne was named 94.7 WCSX Detroit's Classic Rock City of the Week for July 22. DJ Donielle (Doni) Flynn held ribbon cuttings throughout Downtown Wayne with city officials. Locations included the corner of Wayne Rd and Michigan Ave. by the Downtown Wayne sign, Goudy Park, Michigan's Finest, Law Auto, Leo's Jewelers and Derby's Alley. Doni also checked out the Michigan Assembly Plant and the Wayne Historical Museum with Mayor John Rhaesa.

The Knights of Columbus #3021 Notre Dame Council in Wayne are collecting items to help several organizations serving the Wayne community. A Food Drive benefitting St. Mary's Outreach Center is underway. Donations of non-perishable food items are being accepted. The Knights are also looking for donations of gently used children's books, sidewalk chalk and bubbles for Ss. Simon & Jude's Red Wagon All donations can be Project. dropped off at the Notre Dame Hall, 3144 S. Wayne Rd on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday nights. Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Wayne Business and Professional Women and Wayne Historical Society present Historic Women's Suffrage Rally in celebration of 100 years of women earning the right to vote. The event will be held Thursday. August 13. at 7:00 p.m. on the Wavne Historical Museum's lawn, 1 Towne Square. Special guest appearances will be made by Alice Paul (author of the ERA 1923), Clara Arthur (President of the Michigan Equal Suffrage Association) and The Women's Suffrage Dancers. A free ice cream social will follow

**The Wayne Historical Society** has announced programs coming up later this year. Add these to your calendar now and watch this column for further information.

Sept. 10, 7:00 p.m. NorWayne-A Planned Community

Oct. 4, 1:00-3:00 p.m. Annual Cemetery Walk

Oct. 8, 7:00 p.m. The History of Eloise

Oct. 17, 4:00 p.m. Witches Brew Tea

Oct. 24, 8:00-11:34 p.m. Ghost Hunt at the Museum

Nov. 12, 7:00 p.m. Blacksmithing: The Bert Green Story

Dec. 5, 6:00-9:00 p.m. Holiday Night at the Museum

Wayne Westland Community School District is asking for your help. They would like donations of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and school supplies for the upcoming school year.

PPE they are asking for includes non-surgical face masks (cloth or disposable), face shields, and nitrile disposable gloves (not latex).

School supplies requested include crayons, markers, colored pencils, pencil cases/boxes, pencils, erasers, pencil sharpeners (mechanical), pens (blue, black and red), highlighters, glue sticks, rulers, scissors, 1 and 3-subject notebooks, folders, 1-inch binders, calculators, larger backpacks, plastic ziplock bags (gallon and quart) and tissues (small packages).

They are also accepting monetary donations which will be used to purchase the items at bulk rate through school vendors. Checks should be made payable to Wayne Westland Community Schools.

To coordinate drop-off of supplies, please contact the respective coordinators.

For PPE, Maria Mitter can be reached at (734) 419-2036.

For school supplies, Amanda Dybus can be reached at (734) 419-2036 or by email dybusa@wwcsd.net.

All supplies are needed by August 18 and should be dropped off at the Board of Education, 36745 Marquette, Westland.

**Ford Motor Company** unveiled the **new 2021 Bronco** two-door and four-door models on July 13 at the Michigan Assembly Plant in Wayne. Employees there were able to see upclose the vehicles they will start making in Wayne after the plant is retooled. Ford is now taking reservations for the new models at www.Ford.com for \$100. **Gleaners Community Food Bank** is holding free food distributions at Maplewood Community Center, 31735 Maplewood St, Garden City. Upcoming dates are August 19 and September 16 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Families and individuals in need of food are encouraged to attend this drive-up distribution which includes 30 pounds of groceries.

Commissioners of the Wayne **Planning Commission** held a second public hearing on July 30 before making a **recommendation to City Council about a rezoning request in downtown Wayne.** The owner of the property located at 35540 W. Michigan Ave requests a change from B-5 Business Concentrated to B-5 Business Concentrated to B-5 Business Concentrated (C). This would allow for overnight stays as part of an in-patient detoxification center for substance abuse. This issue will appear before the city council at their August 18 meeting.



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# Police add two new officers increase man power

#### **By Carolyn Marnon**

Two new police officers for Wayne were sworn in during the online Zoom city council meeting on July 21.

Ryan Caprathe from Farmington Hills has always wanted to be a police officer since a very young age. He enjoys helping people. Being a police officer gives him the opportunity to answer the call to help people on their worst days or on their best days. "I chose Wayne because it is a smaller department. I've always liked working with a group of people I can get to know rather than a big station where you don't know everyone." It's important to Officer Caprathe to get to know people personally.

Adrian Ljalevic from Dearborn has always enjoyed helping others; he served as a mentor in high school. He was working in the Dearborn dispatch center when Wayne merged into that center. He found the staff in Wayne were always kind and professional with him. He enjoyed the



Ryan Caprathe Adrian Ljalevic

small tightknit community the department had and was grateful for the sponsorship it provided him to attend the police academy.

Officers Ljalevic and Caprathe recently graduated from the Wayne County Regional Police Academy. They will begin their Field Training Program at the Wayne Police Department soon.

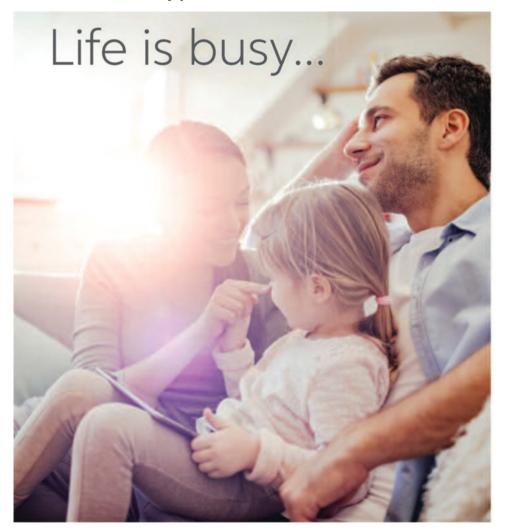
Wayne Police Department has struggled for several years to fill the 26 officer positions the department has been budgeted for. Wayne is not the only city that has had difficulty recruiting law enforcement officers.

According to a 2019 report put out by the Police Executive Research Forum, "The Workforce Crisis, and What Police Agencies are Doing About it," recruitment challenges are many. The number of people applying for open positions has declined. To find qualified applicants from those fewer applications is a challenge.

Wayne Police Lt. Finley Carter is in charge of recruitment at Wayne PD. He and Police Chief Ryan Strong have been getting themselves and the department out in the community. They have visited every police academy in Michigan's lower peninsula and appeared at career fairs. They have tried to focus on the local police academies, the closest of which is in Livonia. They'll take a younger officer with them who is fresh out of the academy to share their real-world experience with the Wayne PD. "The key is just to try to get ourselves out there," said Chief Strong. "Let people know we treat our employees well. I've been coming here for 21 years, and it's still a great place to work. We treat people with respect."

Chief Strong has announced that Wayne's police department now has 24 officers with two more currently attending the police academy. When the two graduate, if all stays the same with current staffing levels, the department will have hit that magic number of 26 they have long strived for.

"I want to welcome Officer Caprathe and Officer Ljalijevic to the City of Wayne. The department has been working hard on recruiting efforts and I am pleased to see the interest in the Wavne Police Department growing. It has always been a priority of mine to increase the number of Police Officers and we are finally moving in the right direction. The safety of this community is a top priority, "said Mayor John Rhaesa. The Mayor also added that this is the highest number of police officers the department has had in nearly a decade.



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## **HYPE to buy Wayne** community center

#### **By Carolyn Marnon**

For many years, the Community Center was the hub of activity for Wayne residents, no matter the season. Ice skating, swimming, exercising, walking indoor laps, dancing, and more.

The City turned over management of the building to HYPE Athletics in 2015. As a cost-cutting measure, the city had to close the community center. Rather than have a building stand vacant for years and deteriorate, that agreement allowed HYPE to run their athletic programs in the community while also maintaining the building. The City paid HYPE \$12,000 per month to manage it.

After managing the building for the last five years, HYPE is now in the process of purchasing the building. The City Council approved the sale with an \$800,000 purchase price. While owner Ali Sayed is negotiating financing for the purchase, HYPE will be paying the City \$3,000 per month if the facility is closed due to the governor's executive orders during COVID-19. If HYPE can open, the rental amount increases to \$5,000 per month.

The City is giving Mr. Sayed six months to arrange for financing. The difficulty in obtaining financing is the inability to bring in revenue while the athletic center is closed. Ali says he has four banks that he is working with for the funding quotes, and they all want to fund this community project. Once the governor lifts the Executive Order closing gyms and athletic centers and HYPE is able to reopen

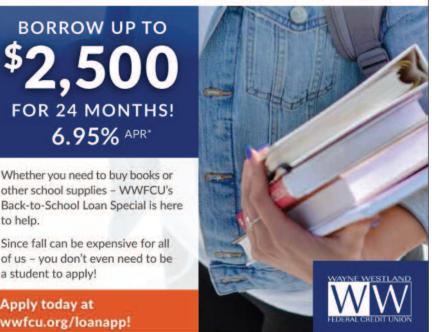


their doors, funding will take place.

The \$800,000 purchase price will pay off the bond the City has on the property. According to City Manager Lisa Nocerini, the City would only have \$45,000 in interest left to pay. The parks millage would cover the interest. The City would then be free and clear of the bond on the building. The City would no longer be paying a monthly management fee to HYPE. The City would no longer have to pay for insurance to cover the building. Having the building off the City's books positively impacts the City's budget.

"We're excited and pleased to continue serving the great community of Wayne," says HYPE owner Ali Sayed. "We're thrilled to have greater opportunities to serve the needs of the community without oversight of the City. There's a lot of restrictions (with the city). We're looking to reopen all off our services plus add additional services. I'm very thankful the city council and mayor supported the extension of our lease and the acquisition." He concludes, "I'm thankful for the five-year partnership with the City of Wayne.'

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### **By Carolyn Marnon**

Two issues will be competing for vour attention on the November 3 election ballot, both concerning the method by which city council members are elected.

In the November 2014 election, voters in Wavne chose to move to a ward model of electing city council members. Six wards were established in the City of Wayne. The council would have representation from each of the wards. There was no implementation plan on who could vote for these representatives. As it turned out, all voters were allowed to vote for a councilperson from each ward. It was not restricted to a voter only voting for a member from his/her own ward.

The first ballot initiative would propose a charter amendment to provide for at-large city council elections. This was the method for seating city council prior to November 2014. This would eliminate the current ward system. A council candidate could live anywhere in the City of Wayne. Voters could vote for up to three of all the candidates in the running. The top three vote-getters

would be elected.

The other ballot initiative would retain the ward districts, but there would be a change. Candidates would be up for election in their respective ward of residence. The councilperson in that ward would be voted on by only the resident voters in that particular ward. For example, you could only vote for a candidate running for the Ward 3 position if you lived in Ward 3. You would not be able to vote for the candidate that would represent Wards 1, 2, 4, 5, or 6

You will be able to vote on both of these initiatives on the November 2020 ballot. What happens next depends on the election results. There are three different outcomes.

If both initiatives pass, the one with the highest number of affirmative votes would prevail.

If both initiatives fail, the City would remain with the current ward system.

If one initiative fails and the other passes, the one that passes prevails.

Whatever the outcome, the election procedure would begin with the 2024 election cycle.



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## **Return to Learn**

#### **By Carolyn Marnon**

If there is one thing the COVID-19 pandemic has taught us, it's how important our teachers are. As parents across the country wait for information on what returning to school in the fall looks like, new Wayne Westland Community Schools Superintendent John Dignan has addressed concerns for local families with the Return to Learn program.

Governor Gretchen Whitmer came out with MI Safe Schools: Michigan's 2020-21 Return to School Roadmap on June 30. The report outlines protocols for safe schooling throughout the six different phases of the pandemic (see sidebar).

Dr. Dignan provided a power point presentation showing that Wayne County Community Health Department, the Centers for Disease Control, and the State of Michigan executive orders all regulate what the school district does.

If Wayne County is in Phases 1-3, WWCSD schools would need to be held with Virtual Instruction. Buildings would not be allowed to open. Instruction would be done by WWCSD teachers in Google Meet classrooms.

Wayne County is, at the time of this writing, in Phase 4. This phase would allow school to be held via Hybrid Instruction. Students would be in school part of the week and undergo remote instruction the other part. The plan calls for dividing students up into two groups, for example students with last names A-K and L-Z. One group would attend school Monday and Tuesday; the other group would attend Thursday and Friday. The online instruction would then be reversed to the other two days. Wednesday is left open for deep cleaning of the schools.

"We're going to have to build all three plans because we just don't know what we're going to encounter during the school year," said Supt. Dignan. "I think the more we can frontload our plans, the better they'll be."

If Wayne County moves to Phase 5 or 6, the traditional school model would prevail. However, there would still be certain safety measures, such as hygiene and physical distancing, along with daily cleaning.

### Michigan's Six Pandemic Phases

**1.** Uncontrolled Growth-increasing new cases which could overwhelm the health system

**2.** Persistent Spread-still seeing high case levels

**3.** Flattening-epidemic no longer increasing and health system capacity is sufficient

**4.** Improving-epidemic decreasing; health system has testing and contact tracing

**5.** Containing-epidemic is low and outbreaks can be quickly contained; health system strong

**6.** Post-pandemic-spread is not expect to return and economy is fully reopened

The district has put together reopening committees: transportation, food service, technology, curriculum/instruction, special education, operations, communications, childcare, and social-emotional learning. Some of these committees will have subcommittees. Because buildings throughout the district are different, the logistics of the various plans could be different. The district is working on a baseline for everyone to work off of. The Return to Learn program is not a one-size fits all system.

The Return to Learn program was to be submitted to the WWCSD School Board by July 30. There will be a School Board study session on August 3. The School Board will vote on the plan August 10. Every school board in Michigan must have their district plan approved by August 15. The approved plan has to be turned in to the independent school district, in WWCSD's case, Wayne RESA by August 17. It's a fast-moving train trying to hit all the stations before coming to a stop at the final destination on time.

"We are all in this together," says Supt. Dignan. He wants to hear from students, teachers and families. There will be a dedicated page on the district's website for Return to Learn information. Updated FAQ's will try to address concerns. There are plans underway to survey staff, stu-



Benjamin Franklin Middle School along with the rest of the Wayne Westland Community Schools are working on opening this fall to the community.

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### John Dignan

### Wayne Westland Community Schools Superintendent

dents and parents once a week. Community meetings are scheduled for August 12 at 10:00 a.m., 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. online.

For those who want to forego any uncertainty with the pandemicbased plans, they are welcome to apply for the Online Learning program the district has already had underway. This is a completely separate program and is delivered through a third-party vendor with teachers serving as mentors. If a student enrolls in the Online Learning program and then decides they want to switch back to the "regular" system, perhaps because the pandemic is over, would they be allowed to do so? Supt. Dignan wants to allow that possibility, but it would probably be limited as to when that could happen, such as at the end of a grading period.

There are several concerns about dividing up the students for the Hybrid model of instruction. Teachers do not want to have 20 kids in one set of students and then 7 kids in the other set. They want the numbers balanced between the two groups they will be teaching. Parents are concerned because they want all their children to attend school the same days. It would be a hardship to have a kid go to school on Monday and Tuesday and the other go Thursday and Friday. The District is working to keep family members on the same schedules. They are also trying to keep in mind that some family members have different last names. If Hybrid instruction is used and parents have children that are assigned different days to attend, especially in the case of differing last names, the parent needs to notify the school district so the matter can be resolved.

If learning has to take place at home, there are plans being put in place to get Chromebooks and internet access for families who don't have them. The school bond measure that was recently passed will allow schools to become hot spots at the end of the year.

Supt. Dignan acknowledges that there are no easy answers to education in our current times. It's a complicated process, he says, to put together a learning plan. Every issue that you think you are resolving might have several tentacles stretching out that in turn also have to be resolved.

According to WWCSD Communications Director Jenny Johnson, "School will start on September 1 no matter what plan or phase we are in. Parents will receive more detailed information about the school year after August 17. "

With everything going on, the rules and regulations, the uncertainty of it all, Supt. Dignan knows one thing, "We want to err on the side of safety."

# **Court consolidation conversation continues**

#### **By Carolyn Marnon**

There will be no fund balance in the City of Wayne budget on June 30, 2021. Instead, there is projected to be a \$3.8 million deficit.

"The City has a severe structural deficit," said Brian Camiller of Plante Moran when he addressed the city council during a special study session on July 13 regarding court consolidation. He said the court is both a cost-center and a source of revenue with revenue being driven by activity. Unfortunately, activity has been in decline while costs continue to go up.

City Council came together to determine whether another city taking on the caseload of the 29th District Court in Wayne would be a benefit or an additional burden on the City. The study session's purpose was to discuss options available to increase revenues, to decrease expenses, and to move the court outside of Wayne.

There have been preliminary discussions with other district courts where consolidation could be a net positive where Wayne would get some of the court revenue and the rest would offset costs the other city would have taking on Wayne's caseload.

Breeda O'Leary, who was recently appointed 29th District Court Judge to replace retired Judge Laura Mack, admitted that from an accountant's perspective, such as Mr. Camiller's, the court is a revenue-generator. She then went on to say, "The role of the court is to administer justice. The role of the court is not to generate revenue for the City. To the extent that anyone thinks that is the role of the court, I think it's very important to educate them that our job is not to generate money. Now, we happen to generate revenue by virtue of administering justice, but I want to be very careful to control the conversation so as not to give the impression that our job at the court is to generate revenue for the City."

Mayor John Rhaesa conceded by saying, "I guess, maybe a better way to say this-we're having a problem that we can't afford the court currently based on where our numbers are."

In February, the city council passed a resolution to find out whether other local cities were interested in a court consolidation. To the



best of Mayor Rhaesa's knowledge, Wayne has only looked at consolidation with Westland for the last 10 years. Westland hasn't been interested.

Plymouth-Canton was open to the conversation, but Mayor Rhaesa and Mayor Pro-Tem Tom Porter didn't feel it was a good fit, distance-wise. Romulus showed interest and seemed to be the most viable, but that interest stalled. There was talk about Inkster, but concerns about possible legislation directing that districts be contiguous has left that city out of the discussion.

A possible merger with Romulus would have Romulus taking over the costs of the Wayne court. However, Wayne would still have costs associated with the current building, such as utilities and upkeep. Mr. Camiller said that Romulus was only interested in a merger if the judge position was vacant at the time; they didn't want an additional judge. Since Judge O'Leary was appointed to the 29th District Court, that would take Romulus off the table.

"I understand the financial situation the city is in," said Judge O'Leary. "In light of that, to that end, we're willing to work in reducing costs to the extent we haven't done already where it's feasible to do so and exploring consolidations and mergers." She acknowledged that the court's caseload over the last three years has flattened out; it has not declined. She was ready to present to council members a list of things the court has already done to cut costs.

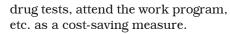
Judge O'Leary also addressed the rising costs in the current 2020-2021 court budget saying they were anomalies. Court Administrator Linda Gable and former Judge Laura Mack had to account for worst-case scenarios in preparing the budget. These included additional health care costs for a new judge, a court recorder for a new judge (Judge Mack was her own recorder,) and training a new court administrator before Linda Gable retires in December.

"The city cannot afford its current operations" interjected Mr. Camiller, "so the court is one component that theoretically, if another community is willing to take it on, could save the City of Wayne money."

City Manager Lisa Nocerini expressed her concern that a merger with Westland's 18th District Court would not work. Wayne had to pull out of the fire department merger with Westland due to financial reasons. "There is a bitter taste, and I think we need to move on from that."

Police Chief Ryan Strong said that logistically, Inkster is "just down the street" in connection with the transport of prisoners. Westland and Romulus would take about 15 minutes to do transports.

O'Leary informed council that Wayne's probationers are already being sent to Westland to report, do



Another idea mentioned was saving on a court administrator when Mrs. Gable retired in December.

Councilman Jeremiah Webster voiced his concern that pursuing court consolidation was using too much time and that the City should pursue cost-saving measures instead. Councilman Kevin Dowd added that council should address immediate things that can affect the budget and as a long-term project, continue to look at consolidation possibilities with Romulus, Inkster and Westland.

Councilman Anthony Miller questioned whether traffic cams could be put in place to generate revenue. According to Chief Strong, traffic cams are not legally permissible in the State of Michigan.

What is in the works now? Judge O'Leary will be providing bullet points to Mayor Rhaesa summarizing the potential benefits in a merger with both the Westland and Romulus courts. She will also be speaking with the judges of those courts to see whether they would be interested in allowing the Court Administrators to discuss financial scenarios associated with a merger. Mayor Rhaesa will be speaking with the Romulus and Westland mayors about the idea of a merger.

Finally, Wayne Court Administrator Gable and Judge O'Leary will review their current budget for the 2020-21 fiscal year to identify any further cost-savings/reductions; this report will be provided to the council before their August 3 council meeting.



## **Alternative options to "traditional" school**

#### **By Carolyn Marnon**

Not all students can navigate the rigors of education in the classroom. Even before anyone had heard of COVID-19, Wayne Westland Community Schools had an Online Learning program for students in grades K-12. The District is currently accepting applications for the 2020-21 school year. This program is an opportunity for those who don't do well in the school social setting, who are looking to recover credits or who want to accelerate their own learning.

Great Futures Online is provided by a third-party vendor and utilizes their own teachers. This program was implemented several years ago. It is free. There is no association with the current Return to Learn plan the District is implementing because of the pandemic's effect on education.

Students in this special program will still have access to sports, clubs, JROTC, band, choir, William D. Ford Career Technical Center and all after school activities that "traditional" students would have as allowed during the pandemic. Graduating students will receive a WWCSD diploma and walk across the stage with their graduating class.

The learning schedule is flexible according to the student's needs. Learning can be done in the morning, afternoon, night or on weekends. Core AP, Honors and NCAA courses are available.

A student with good time management, effective communication skills, independent study skills, who is selfmotivated and is technology proficient would be considered a successful candidate for this program.

### Student expectations listed on the WWCSD website include:

 $\cdot$  Students are expected to attend an orientation at the beginning of each term.

• Students are expected to work consistently online; five days a week and complete the course by the posted end date of the term.

 $\cdot$  Students are expected to read Edgenuity messages daily.

 $\cdot$  Students are expected to advocate for themselves with the Edgenu-

ity instructors.

 $\cdot$  Students are expected to complete the Weekly Check-in every Wednesday.

• Students are expected to review all graded assignments that have been returned and be available to converse with the instructor if needed.

 $\cdot$  Students are expected to be honest and do their own work.

Students are expected to show their parents the online dashboard.

• Students are expected to take all district tests including PSAT, SAT, and MStep.

 $\cdot$  Students are expected to always cite sources and do not plagiarize.

 $\cdot$  Students are expected to work for at least 5 hours per week, per course.

 $\cdot$  Students are expected to follow the Pacing Chart each week.

 $\cdot$  Students are expected to attend all FINAL exams at the Great Futures Online Classroom.

Parent expectations listed on the WWCSD website include: • Parents are expected to attend an orientation at least once a year.

• Parents are expected to use the Great Futures Online webpage to find resources and answers to questions.

• Parents are expected to encourage their children to stay on pace and submit the Weekly Check-in.

 $\cdot$  Parents are expected to let their children advocate with the instructor.

· Parents are expected to have child provide username and password to the course.

 $\cdot$  Parents are expected to check student progress weekly.

• Parents are expected to read the emails from instructors, especially those addressing progress.

• Parents are expected to help their child meet deadlines and keep to the weekly pacing guide.

• Parents are expected to help ensure that the student is doing his/her own work. Parents should not be the teacher of the course but rather the at-home monitor, facilitator, and motivator.

• Parents are expected to help their child to remember to login for weekly check-in.



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