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School supplies continue to be provided for Arlington students

ARLINGTON- The Arlington Public Schools Board of Directors has approved providing basic school supplies for all students in the district for the fourth year in a row. In addition to covering the costs of school supplies, this year the board also approved eliminating athletic participation fees for middle and high school students.

"It's important to the board that all students start the school year on the right foot," said board president, Kay Duskin. "By taking care of the school supplies, this is one less cost that families have to worry about. Instead, families can focus on making this a great school year."

For the 2019-20 school year, the school supply budget increased from \$20 to \$22 per student at the elementary level. The middle school budget increased by \$1,000 per school and the high school budget increased by \$2,000 per school.

Seventh graders, Kailey Bisson and Ryleigh Bustad, along with fifth grader Payten Bisson, volunteered to deliver supplies to classrooms at Presidents Elementary.

"I attended Presidents Elementary from grades K through 5 and it's a good way to give back to the school," said Kailey.

Elementary families are asked to provide backpacks for their children and middle and high school students require PE uniforms, binders, dividers, pencils and backpacks (optional). Resources are available at the schools for those families who require assistance.



Presidents Elementary fifth grader, Payten Bisson, helps to delivery school supplies to classrooms at the school. The Arlington Public Schools Board of Directors has approved providing basic school supplies for all students in the district for the fourth year in a row.