

Study Session Meeting - October 5, 2026

Monday, October 5, 2026 7:00 PM

JR SR High School Library, 100 Hulton Road, Oakmont, PA 15139

1. Opening of Meeting	
2. Board Comments	
3. Presentations	
4. Hearing of Citizens - Agenda Items Only	
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6. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting - Agreements/Contracts/Resolutions	Speaker(s) : Director of Finance & Operations, Superintendent
7. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting - Board Governance/Regulations	Speaker(s) : President, Board of Directors
8. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting - Personnel	Speaker(s) : Superintendent
9. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting - Student Life	Speaker(s) : Superintendent
10. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting - Education	Speaker(s) : Superintendent
11. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting - Board Meeting Minutes	Speaker(s) : President, Board of Directors
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14. Adjournment	Speaker(s) : President, Board of Directors



BOARD POLICY

102 Academic Standards

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PURPOSE

The Board recognizes the importance of developing, assessing and expanding academic standards to challenge students to achieve at their highest level possible. To this end, the district shall establish rigorous academic standards in accordance with, and may expand upon, those adopted by the State Board of Education.[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)

DEFINITION

Academic standards means what a student should know and be able to do at a specified grade level. For purposes of this policy, the term **academic standards** encompasses Pennsylvania Core Standards, **Pennsylvania Integrated Standards**, state academic standards and local academic standards.[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)

AUTHORITY

The Board shall approve academic standards for district students to attain, in the following content areas:[\[2\]](#)

1. English Language Arts (reading, writing, speaking and listening) - **PA Core Standards**.
2. Mathematics - **PA Core Standards**.
3. Science, Environment, Ecology, Technology and Engineering (Grades K-5) - **PA Integrated Standards**.
4. Science, Environment and Ecology (Grades 6-12).
5. Technology and Engineering (Grades 6-12).
6. Social Studies (history, geography, civics and government, economics) - to include **PA Core Standards** reading in history and social studies, and writing for history and social studies.
7. Arts and Humanities.
8. Career Education and Work.
9. Health, Safety and Physical Education.
10. Family and Consumer Sciences.

11. Personal Finance.

Guidelines

The district's curriculum shall be designed to provide students with the planned instruction needed to attain established academic standards. **Such standards require the incorporation of education on social media literacy.**^[2] ^[4] ^[5]

The district shall address social media literacy by providing instruction to students on the potential health and academic impacts, and safety and security concerns associated with social media use.^[9]

The district shall assess individual student attainment of established academic standards and provide assistance for students having difficulty attaining academic standards.^[2] ^[6] ^[7]

Students with disabilities may attain academic standards by completion of their Individualized Education Programs in accordance with law, regulations and Board policy.^[2] ^[8]

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Legal Footnotes

[1] 22 PA Code 4.11
LEGAL REFERENCE

[2] 22 PA Code 4.12
LEGAL REFERENCE

[3] 22 PA Code 4.3
LEGAL REFERENCE

[4] Pol. 105 — Curriculum
POLICY REFERENCE

[5] Pol. 107 — Adoption of Planned Instruction
POLICY REFERENCE

[6] Pol. 127 — Assessment System
POLICY REFERENCE

[7] Pol. 212 — Reporting Student Progress
POLICY REFERENCE

[8] Pol. 113 — Special Education
POLICY REFERENCE

[9] 24 P.S. 1556
LEGAL REFERENCE



BOARD POLICY

105 Curriculum

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PURPOSE

The Board recognizes its responsibility for the development, assessment and improvement of the educational program of the schools. To this end, the curriculum shall be evaluated, developed and modified on a continuing basis and in accordance with a plan for curriculum improvement.^[1]

DEFINTION

For purposes of this policy, curriculum shall be defined as a series of planned instruction aligned with established academic standards in each subject that is coordinated, articulated and implemented in a manner designed to result in the achievement of academic standards at the proficient level by all students.^{[2][3][4]}

AUTHORITY

The Board shall be responsible for the curriculum of the district's schools. The curriculum shall be designed to provide students the opportunity to achieve the academic standards established by the Board. Attaining the academic standards requires students to demonstrate the acquisition and application of knowledge.^{[1][3][4]}

In order to provide a quality educational program for district students, the Board shall adopt a curriculum plan that includes the requirements for courses to be taught; subjects to be taught in the English language; courses adapted to the age, development and needs of students; and strategies for assisting those students having difficulty attaining the academic standards.^{[1][3][5][6][7][8]}

Special Instruction/Observances

The district's curriculum plan must also include provisions for special instruction and observances to comply with state and federal law including, but not limited to, Constitution Day and Citizenship Day, Arbor Day and the Bill of Rights Week.^{[20][21][22]}

GUIDELINES

The district's curriculum shall provide the following:

1. {X } Continuous learning through effective collaboration among the schools of this district.
2. {X } Continuous access for all students to sufficient programs and services of a library/media facility and classroom collection to support the educational program. [\[9\]](#)
3. {X } Guidance and counseling services for all students to assist in career and academic planning. [\[23\]](#)
4. {X } A continuum of educational programs and services for all students with disabilities, pursuant to law and regulation. [\[11\]](#)
5. {X } Language Instruction Educational Program for English Learner students, pursuant to law, and regulation and Board policy. [\[12\]](#) [\[13\]](#)
6. {X } Compensatory education programs for students, pursuant to law and regulation.
7. {X } Equal educational opportunity for all students, pursuant to law and regulation. [\[14\]](#) [\[15\]](#)
8. { X } Career awareness and vocational education, pursuant to law and regulation. [\[16\]](#)
9. {X } Educational opportunities for identified gifted students, pursuant to law and regulation. [\[17\]](#)
10. {X } Regular and continuous instruction in required safety procedures. [\[18\]](#)

DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

As the educational leader of the district, the Superintendent shall be responsible to the Board for the district's curriculum. The Superintendent shall establish procedures for curriculum development, evaluation and modification, which ensure the utilization of available resources, and effective participation of [\[1\]](#)

{X } administrators

{X } teaching staff members

~~{X }~~ students

{X } community members

{X } Board members.

A listing of all curriculum materials shall be made available for the information of parents/guardians, students, staff and Board members. [\[1\]](#) [\[19\]](#)

{X } With prior Board approval, the Superintendent may conduct pilot programs as deemed necessary to the continuing improvement of the instructional program. The Superintendent shall report periodically to the Board on the status of each pilot program, along with its objectives, evaluative criteria, and costs.

{X} The Board encourages, where it is feasible and in the best interest of district students, participation in state-initiated pilot programs of educational research.

{X} The Board directs the Superintendent to pursue actively state and federal aid in support of research activities.

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Legal Footnotes

[1] 22 PA Code 4.4
LEGAL REFERENCE

[2] 22 PA Code 4.3
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[3] 22 PA Code 4.12
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[4] Pol. 102 — Academic Standards
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[5] 24 P.S. 1511
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[6] 24 P.S. 1512
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[7] Pol. 107 — Adoption of Planned Instruction
POLICY REFERENCE

[8] Pol. 127 — Assessment System
POLICY REFERENCE

[9] Pol. 109 — Resource Materials
POLICY REFERENCE

[11] Pol. 113 — Special Education
POLICY REFERENCE

[12] 22 PA Code 4.26
LEGAL REFERENCE

[13] Pol. 138 — Language Instruction Educational Program for English Learners
POLICY REFERENCE

[14] Pol. 103 — Nondiscrimination in School and Classroom Practices
POLICY REFERENCE

[15] Pol. 103.1 — Nondiscrimination — Qualified Students With Disabilities
POLICY REFERENCE

[16] Pol. 115 — Career and Technical Education
POLICY REFERENCE

[17] Pol. 114 — Gifted Education
POLICY REFERENCE

[18] Pol. 805 — Emergency Preparedness and Response
POLICY REFERENCE

[19] Pol. 105.1 — Curriculum Review by Parents/Guardians and Students
POLICY REFERENCE

[20] 24 P.S. 1541-1555
LEGAL REFERENCE

[21] 36 U.S.C. 106
LEGAL REFERENCE

[22] P.L. 108-447 — P.L. 108-447
LEGAL REFERENCE

[23] Pol. 112 — School Counseling
POLICY REFERENCE



BOARD POLICY

204.1 Virtual Attendance and Wellness Checks

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PURPOSE

This policy establishes standards for wellness checks for students who receive academic instruction exclusively through the district's virtual instruction program for the full school year. Wellness checks are conducted to verify attendance and to facilitate the safety and well-being of students.

AUTHORITY

The Board directs the maintenance of a wellness check process that complies with state law.^[1]

This policy shall be posted on the district's publicly accessible website.^[1]

DEFINITION

District employee/representative – a district teacher, administrator or other district representative who is subject to mandated reporter requirements for child abuse under the Child Protective Services Law.^[2]^[3]

DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for implementing this policy.

It shall be the responsibility of the designated district employee/representative to administer wellness check procedures in accordance with applicable law and this policy.

GUIDELINES

Weekly Wellness Checks

Weekly wellness checks must be conducted for each student enrolled in the district's virtual instruction program who receives academic instruction exclusively through virtual means for the full school year.^[1]

At least once during any week consisting of three (3) or more full or partial academic instructional days, a district employee/representative shall ensure that each student is visibly seen and communicated with in real time either, in person or through electronic means.^[1]

Wellness Check Methods

Acceptable methods of conducting wellness checks include:^[1]

1. A student turning on a webcam and the district employee/representative visibly seeing and communicating with the student during synchronous online instruction.
2. Virtual or face-to-face participation by the student in any of the following activities:
 - a. Health screenings.
 - b. Standardized testing.
 - c. Advising sessions.
 - d. Tutoring sessions.
 - e. In person, school-sponsored activities chaperoned by a district employee/representative.

Excused Absence Exemptions

A student may be exempt from a wellness check on the day a check is attempted if the student has an excused absence pursuant to applicable attendance requirements.^[1] ^[4] ^[5]

If this occurs, the district shall conduct the wellness check on the next school day or another school day during the same week. If a student has an excused absence for all school days during the same week, the student shall be exempt from the wellness check requirement for that week.^[1] ^[4] ^[5]

Internet or Power Outage Exemptions

A student may be exempt from a wellness check when the student's household experiences a documented Internet or power outage during the day and time of the attempted wellness check.^[1]

If this occurs, the district shall conduct the wellness check on the next school day or another school day during the same week following resolution of the outage.^[1]

The student's parent/guardian shall provide documentation of the outage to the district as soon as possible.^[1]

Failure to Complete a Required Wellness Check

Within one (1) school day after a student fails to complete a required wellness check, the district shall:^[1]

1. Make documented and ongoing efforts to complete the required wellness check and contact the student's parent/guardian using at least two (2) different methods of communication; and
2. Provide written notice to the parent/guardian, in the parent's/guardian's preferred language, stating that the required wellness check has not been completed.

Wellness Review Conference

If the required wellness check is not completed within three (3) school days following the issuance of written notice, the district shall immediately schedule a wellness review conference to occur within one (1) school day. The wellness review conference may be conducted in person or through electronic means.^[1]

The wellness review conference will be conducted to:^[1]

1. Complete the required wellness check through real-time visual interaction with the student;
2. Reestablish communication with the student and the student's parent/guardian; and
3. Identify interventions to facilitate future participation in wellness checks.

The wellness review conference shall convene as scheduled regardless of whether the student or the student's parent/guardian participates.^[1]

In-Person Wellness Check

If a student does not participate in the wellness review conference, the district must conduct an in-person wellness check within twenty-four (24) hours of the scheduled conference, even if this time period falls on a weekend or holiday.^[1]

{ X } When the district has been unable to reach or obtain a response from the student or the student's parent/guardian, the Superintendent or designee shall consult with the district solicitor for guidance.

Wellness Check Records

The district shall maintain accurate records of all wellness checks, including the date, time, method, and outcome of each check.^[1]

District administrators are prohibited from altering attendance records for wellness checks after a wellness check has been performed, except to correct an identified error.^[1]

Reporting Requirements

Any district employee/representative who observes an indications of abuse, neglect or harm to a child during a wellness check, wellness review conference, or related contact, the district employee/representative is required to report the concerns in accordance with law and Board policy.^{[1][2][3]}

The district shall maintain documentation sufficient to demonstrate compliance with this policy and applicable law.^[1]

Such documentation shall be provided to the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) upon request. Failure to comply with the with such requests may result in:^[1]

1. A requirement to report to PDE the date, time and method of each wellness check for each student enrolled exclusively in the district's virtual instruction program.
2. Mandating district educators, administrators and staff to complete child abuse recognition, prevention and reporting training annually.
3. Requiring the district to meet in person with each student enrolled in a virtual instruction program at least once during the school year following the school year in which the district was found to be out of compliance.
4. Prohibiting the district from being awarded a competitive state grant by PDE until the district demonstrates compliance.

Legal Footnotes

[1] 24 P.S. 1327.4
LEGAL REFERENCE

[2] 23 Pa. C.S.A. 6301
LEGAL REFERENCE

[3] Pol. 806 — Child Abuse
POLICY REFERENCE

[4] 24 P.S. 1329
LEGAL REFERENCE

[5]

Pol. 204 – Attendance

POLICY REFERENCE



BOARD POLICY

209 Health Examinations/Screenings

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AUTHORITY

In compliance with applicable law and regulations, and Board-approved health and safety plans, the Board shall require that district students submit to health and dental examinations, screenings and health monitoring in order to protect the school community from the spread of communicable disease and to ensure that the student's participation in health, safety and physical education courses meets the student's individual needs and that the learning potential of each student is not lessened by a remediable physical disability.[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)[\[4\]](#)

GUIDELINES

Each student shall receive a comprehensive health examination conducted by the school physician upon original entry, in sixth grade, and in eleventh grade.[\[2\]](#)[\[4\]](#)[\[5\]](#)

Each student shall receive a comprehensive dental examination conducted by the school dentist upon original entry, in third grade, and in seventh grade.[\[3\]](#)[\[4\]](#)[\[5\]](#)

A private health and/or dental examination conducted at the parents'/guardians' request and expense shall be accepted in lieu of the school examination. The district shall accept reports of privately conducted physical and dental examinations completed within one (1) year prior to a student's entry into the grade where an exam is required.[\[5\]](#)

The school nurse or medical technician shall administer to each student vision tests, hearing tests, tuberculosis tests **and** other tests deemed **advisable at** intervals established by the district. Height and weight measurements shall be used to calculate the student's weight-for-height ratio.[\[2\]](#)[\[4\]](#)[\[6\]](#)

The school nurse or other health care practitioner shall conduct measurements of height and weight for each student for the purpose of tracking growth patterns. Height and weight measurements will be conducted at intervals established by the district and in a manner that protects student confidentiality. Parents/Guardians have the right to request an exemption from height and weight measurements for their child, and the district must provide notification of the exemption request procedure.[\[2\]](#)^[25]

Parents/Guardians of students who are to receive physical and dental examinations or screenings shall be notified. The notice shall include the date and location of the examination or screening and notice that the parents/guardians may attend. The notice shall encourage the parent/guardian to have the examination or screening conducted by the student's private physician or dentist at the parent's/guardian's expense to promote continuity of care. Such statement may also include notification that the student may be exempted from such examination or screening if it is contrary to the parent's/guardian's religious beliefs.[\[7\]](#)[\[8\]](#)[\[9\]](#)

A student who presents a statement signed by the parent/guardian that a health examination is contrary to the student's or parent's/guardian's religious beliefs shall be examined only when the Secretary of Health determines that facts exist indicating that certain conditions would present a substantial menace to the health of others in contact with the student if the student is not examined for those conditions.[\[10\]](#)[\[11\]](#)

Where it appears to school health officials or teachers that a student deviates from normal growth and development, or where school examinations reveal conditions requiring health or dental care, the parent/guardian shall be notified of the apparent need for a special examination by the student's private physician or dentist. The parent/guardian shall report to the school whether a special examination occurred. If the parent/guardian fails to report whether the examination occurred within a reasonable time after being notified of the apparent need and the abnormal condition persists, appropriate school health personnel shall arrange a special health examination for the student.[\[2\]](#)[\[4\]](#)[\[12\]](#)

In the event that the parent/guardian objects to or refuses to obtain a regular or special health or dental examination or refuses to permit the child to be examined as arranged by the school nurse or school physician, the school nurse, in consultation with the school physician, shall determine whether the student appears to have unaddressed health conditions such that under the circumstances the refusal should be reported to the PA Department of Health or other appropriate authorities.

Where school health officials or staff have reasonable cause to suspect that a student may be the victim of child abuse, the school employee shall make a report of suspected child abuse in accordance with law and Board policy.[\[13\]](#)[\[14\]](#)

Health Monitoring

The Board directs district staff to monitor student health in accordance with applicable Board policy and the Board-approved health and safety plan. [\[15\]](#)

A student may request an alternative method of monitoring as a religious accommodation, and designated district staff shall assess and respond to such request in accordance with applicable law, regulations and Board policy. A request for an accommodation that would unreasonably impair safety or cause undue hardship will not be granted. [\[16\]](#)

A student with a health condition that may render a monitoring method ineffective should notify designated staff so that alternative or supplemental methods may be considered. [\[16\]](#)
[\[17\]](#)

Students who may be exhibiting symptoms that indicate health concerns shall be referred to the school nurse or designated staff for further assessment and response, in accordance with Board policy. [\[15\]](#)

Health Records

The district shall maintain for each student a comprehensive health record which includes a record of immunizations and the results of tests, measurements, regularly scheduled examinations and special examinations. [\[2\]](#)

All health records shall be confidential and shall be disclosed only when necessary for the health of the student or when requested by the parent/guardian, in accordance with law and Board policy. [\[18\]](#) [\[19\]](#) [\[20\]](#)

The district may disclose information from health records to appropriate parties in connection with an emergency when necessary to protect the health or safety of the student or other individuals, in accordance with applicable law and Board policy. [\[15\]](#) [\[18\]](#) [\[19\]](#) [\[20\]](#) [\[21\]](#) [\[22\]](#) [\[23\]](#)

Designated district staff shall request from the transferring school the health records of students transferring into district schools. Staff shall respond to such requests for the health records of students transferring from district schools to other schools. [\[18\]](#)

The district shall destroy student health records only after the student has not been enrolled in district schools for at least two (2) years. [\[18\]](#) [\[24\]](#)

DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

The Superintendent or designee shall instruct all staff members to continually observe students for conditions that indicate health concerns or disability and to promptly report such conditions to the school nurse or designated staff. [\[2\]](#)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that educational information and materials regarding eating disorder awareness and education are made available to students in grades six through twelve. Eating disorder awareness and educational materials must also be posted on the district's website. [\[26\]](#) [\[27\]](#)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that notice is provided to all parents/guardians regarding the existence of and eligibility for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). [\[12\]](#)

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Legal Footnotes

[1] 24 P.S. 1401
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[2] 24 P.S. 1402
LEGAL REFERENCE

[3] 24 P.S. 1403
LEGAL REFERENCE

[4] 22 PA Code 12.41
LEGAL REFERENCE

[5] 24 P.S. 1407
LEGAL REFERENCE

[6] 28 PA Code 23.1 et seq
LEGAL REFERENCE

[7] 24 P.S. 1405
LEGAL REFERENCE

[8] 28 PA Code 23.2
LEGAL REFERENCE

[9] 20 U.S.C. 1232h
LEGAL REFERENCE

[10] 24 P.S. 1419
LEGAL REFERENCE

[11] 28 PA Code 23.45
LEGAL REFERENCE

[12] 24 P.S. 1406
LEGAL REFERENCE

[13] 23 Pa. C.S.A. 6311
LEGAL REFERENCE

[14] Pol. 806 — Child Abuse
POLICY REFERENCE

[15] Pol. 203 — Immunizations and Communicable Diseases
POLICY REFERENCE

[16] Pol. 103 — Nondiscrimination in School and Classroom Practices
POLICY REFERENCE

[17] Pol. 103.1 — Nondiscrimination — Qualified Students With Disabilities
POLICY REFERENCE

[18] 24 P.S. 1409
LEGAL REFERENCE

[19] Pol. 113.4 — Confidentiality of Special Education Student Information
POLICY REFERENCE

[20] Pol. 216 — Student Records
POLICY REFERENCE

[21] 20 U.S.C. 1232g
LEGAL REFERENCE

[22] 34 CFR Part 99
LEGAL REFERENCE

[23] Pol. 805 — Emergency Preparedness and Response
POLICY REFERENCE

[24] Pol. 800 — Records Management
POLICY REFERENCE

[25] 28 PA Code 23.7
LEGAL REFERENCE

[26] 24 P.S. 1408
LEGAL REFERENCE

[27] 24 P.S. 1426
LEGAL REFERENCE



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PURPOSE

Riverview School District recognizes that student wellness and proper nutrition are related to students' physical well-being, growth, development and readiness to learn. The Board is committed to providing a school environment that promotes student wellness, proper nutrition, nutrition education and promotion, and regular physical activity as part of the total learning experience. In a healthy school environment, students will learn about and participate in positive dietary and lifestyle practices that can improve student achievement.

AUTHORITY

The Board adopts this policy based on the recommendations of the Wellness Committee and in accordance with federal and state laws and regulations.^{[2][3]}

To ensure the health and well-being of all students, the Board establishes that the district shall provide to students:

1. A comprehensive nutrition program consistent with federal and state requirements.
2. Access at reasonable cost to foods and beverages that meet established nutrition guidelines.
3. Physical education courses and opportunities for developmentally appropriate physical activity during the school day.
4. Curriculum and programs for grades K-12 that are designed to educate students about proper nutrition and lifelong physical activity, in accordance with State Board of Education curriculum regulations and academic standards.

DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for the implementation and oversight of this policy to ensure each of the district's schools, programs and curriculum is compliant with this policy, related policies and established guidelines or administrative regulations.^{[2][3]}

Each building principal or designee shall annually report to the Superintendent or designee regarding compliance in his/her school.^[3]

Staff members responsible for programs related to school wellness shall report to the Superintendent or designee regarding the status of such programs.

{ } The Superintendent or designee shall annually report to the Board on the district's compliance with law and policies related to school wellness. The report may include:

1. {X } Assessment of school environment regarding school wellness issues.
2. {X } Evaluation of food services program.
3. {X } Review of all foods and beverages sold in schools for compliance with established nutrition guidelines.
4. {X } Listing of activities and programs conducted to promote nutrition and physical activity.
5. { X } Recommendations for policy and/or program revisions.
6. {X } Suggestions for improvement in specific areas.
7. {X } Feedback received from district staff, students, parents/guardians, community members and the Wellness Committee.

The Superintendent or designee and the established Wellness Committee shall conduct an assessment at least once every three (3) years on the contents and implementation of this policy as part of a continuous improvement process to strengthen the policy and ensure implementation. This triennial assessment shall be made available to the public in an accessible and easily understood manner and include:^{[2][3]}

1. The extent to which each district school is in compliance with law and policies related to school wellness.
2. The extent to which this policy compares to model wellness policies.
3. A description of the progress made by the district in attaining the goals of this policy.

At least once every three (3) years, the district shall update or modify this policy as needed, based on the results of the most recent triennial assessment and/or as district and community needs and priorities change; wellness goals are met; new health science, information and technologies emerge; and new federal or state guidance or standards are issued.^[3]

The district shall annually inform and update the public, including parents/guardians, students, and others in the community, about the contents, updates and implementation of this policy via the district website, student handbooks, newsletters, posted notices and/or other efficient communication methods. This annual notification shall include information on how to access the School Wellness policy; information about the most recent triennial

assessment; information on how to participate in the development, implementation and periodic review and update of the School Wellness policy; and a means of contacting Wellness Committee leadership.^{[2][3]}

GUIDELINES

Recordkeeping

The district shall retain records documenting compliance with the requirements of the School Wellness policy, which shall include:^{[3][4]}

1. The written School Wellness policy.
2. Documentation demonstrating that the district has informed the public, on an annual basis, about the contents of the School Wellness policy and any updates to the policy.
3. Documentation of efforts to review and update the School Wellness policy, including who is involved in the review and methods used by the district to inform the public of their ability to participate in the review.
4. Documentation demonstrating the most recent assessment on the implementation of the School Wellness policy and notification of the assessment results to the public.

Wellness Committee

The district shall establish a Wellness Committee comprised of, but not necessarily limited to, at least one (1) of each of the following: School Board member, district administrator, district food service representative, student, parent/guardian, school health professional, physical education teacher and member of the public. It shall be the goal that committee membership will include representatives from each school building and reflect the diversity of the community.^[2]

The Wellness Committee shall serve as an advisory committee regarding student health issues and shall be responsible for developing, implementing and periodically reviewing and updating a School Wellness policy that complies with law to recommend to the Board for adoption.

The Wellness Committee shall review and consider evidence-based strategies and techniques in establishing goals for nutrition education and promotion, physical activity and other school based activities that promote student wellness as part of the policy development and revision process.^[3]

{X } Advisory Health Council

{X } An Advisory Health Council may be established by the Superintendent to study student health issues and to assist in organizing follow-up programs.^[5]

{X } The Advisory Health Council may examine related research, assess student needs and the current school environment, review existing Board policies and administrative regulations, and raise awareness about student health issues.

{X } The Advisory Health Council may make policy recommendations to the Board related to other health issues necessary to promote student wellness.

{X } The Advisory Health Council may survey parents/guardians and/or students; conduct community forums or focus groups; collaborate with appropriate community agencies and organizations; and engage in similar activities, within the budget established for these purposes.

{X } The Advisory Health Council shall provide periodic reports to the Superintendent or designee regarding the status of its work, as required.

Individuals who conduct student medical and dental examinations shall submit to the Advisory Health Council annual reports and later reports on the remedial work accomplished during the year, as required by law.^[5]

Nutrition Education

Nutrition education will be provided within the sequential, comprehensive health education program in accordance with curriculum regulations and the academic standards for Health, Safety and Physical Education, and Family and Consumer Sciences.^[6]^[7]^[8]

{X } Nutrition education in the district shall teach, model, encourage and support healthy eating by students. Promoting student health and nutrition enhances readiness for learning and increases student achievement.

{X } Nutrition education shall provide all students with the knowledge and skills needed to lead healthy lives.

{X } Nutrition education lessons and activities shall be age-appropriate.

{X } Nutrition curriculum shall teach behavior-focused skills, which may include menu planning, reading nutrition labels and media awareness.

{ X} School food service and nutrition education classes shall cooperate to create a learning laboratory.

{X } Nutrition education shall be integrated into other subjects such as math, science, language arts and social sciences to complement but not replace academic standards based on nutrition education.

{X } Lifelong lifestyle balance shall be reinforced by linking nutrition education and physical activity.

{X } The staff responsible for providing nutrition education shall be properly trained and prepared and shall participate in appropriate professional development. The district shall develop standards for such training and professional development.^[9]

{X } Nutrition education shall extend beyond the school environment by engaging and involving families and the community.

{ } _____ other.

Nutrition Promotion

Nutrition promotion and education positively influence lifelong eating behaviors by using evidence-based techniques and nutrition messages, and by creating food environments that encourage healthy nutrition choices and encourage participation in school meal programs.

{X} District schools shall promote nutrition through the implementation of Farm to School activities, where possible. Activities may include, but not be limited to, the initiation/maintenance of school gardens, taste-testing of local products in the cafeteria and classroom, classroom education about local agriculture and nutrition, field trips to local farms and incorporation of local foods into school meal programs.

{X} District staff shall cooperate with agencies and community organizations to provide opportunities for appropriate student projects related to nutrition.

{X} District food service personnel shall review and implement research-based, behavioral economics techniques in the cafeteria to encourage consumption of more whole grains, fruits, vegetables and legumes, and to decrease plate waste.

{X} Consistent nutrition messages shall be disseminated and displayed throughout the district, schools, classrooms, cafeterias, homes, community and media.

{X} Consistent nutrition messages shall be demonstrated by avoiding use of unhealthy food items in classroom lesson plans and school staff avoiding eating less healthy food items in front of students.

{X} District schools shall offer resources about health and nutrition to encourage parents/guardians to provide healthy meals for their children.

{ } _____ other.

Physical Activity

{X} District schools shall strive to provide opportunities for developmentally appropriate physical activity during the school day for all students.

{ } District schools shall contribute to the effort to provide students opportunities to accumulate at least sixty (60) minutes of age-appropriate physical activity daily, as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Opportunities offered at school will augment physical activity outside the school environment, such as outdoor play at home, sports, etc.

{ } Students shall participate daily in a variety of age-appropriate physical activities designed to achieve optimal health, wellness, fitness and performance benefits.

{X} Age-appropriate physical activity opportunities, such as outdoor and indoor recess, before and after school programs, during lunch, clubs, intramurals and interscholastic athletics, shall be provided to meet the needs and interests of all students, in addition to planned physical education.

{ X } A physical and social environment that encourages safe and enjoyable activity for all students shall be maintained.

{ } Extended periods of student inactivity, two (2) hours or more, shall be discouraged.

{ } Physical activity breaks shall be provided for students during classroom hours.

{ X } Before and/or after-school programs shall provide developmentally appropriate physical activity for participating children.

{ X } District schools shall partner with parents/guardians and community members and organizations, such as YMCAs, Boys & Girls Clubs, local and state parks, hospitals, etc., to institute programs that support lifelong physical activity.

{ } Physical activity shall not be used or withheld as a form of punishment.

{ X } District schools shall promote physical activity through encouragement of walking and biking as a means of transportation to and from school.

{ X } Students and their families shall be encouraged to utilize district-owned physical activity facilities, such as playgrounds and fields, outside school hours in accordance with established district rules.

{ } _____ other.

Physical Education

A sequential physical education program consistent with curriculum regulations and Health, Safety and Physical Education academic standards shall be developed and implemented. All district students must participate in physical education.^{[7][8][10]}

Instruction involving the collection of a student's height and weight measurements must be conducted in a manner that protects student confidentiality. The calculation of body mass index (BMI) is prohibited.^[10]

{ X } Quality physical education instruction that promotes lifelong physical activity and provides instruction in the skills and knowledge necessary for lifelong participation shall be provided.

{ X } Physical education classes shall be the means through which all students learn, practice and are assessed on developmentally appropriate skills and knowledge necessary for lifelong, health-enhancing physical activity.

{ X } A comprehensive physical education course of study that focuses on providing students the skills, knowledge and confidence to participate in lifelong, health-enhancing physical activity shall be implemented.

{ X } A varied and comprehensive curriculum that promotes both team and individual activities and leads to students becoming and remaining physically active for a lifetime shall be provided in the physical education program.

{X } Adequate amounts of planned instruction shall be provided in order for students to achieve the proficient level for the Health, Safety and Physical Education academic standards.

{X } A local assessment system shall be implemented to track student progress on the Health, Safety and Physical Education academic standards.

{X } Students shall be moderately to vigorously active as much time as possible during a physical education class. Documented medical conditions and disabilities shall be accommodated during class.

{X } Safe and adequate equipment, facilities and resources shall be provided for physical education courses.

{ X} Physical education shall be taught by certified health and physical education teachers.

{X } Appropriate professional development shall be provided for physical education staff.

{X } Physical education classes shall have a teacher-student ratio comparable to those of other courses for safe and effective instruction.

{X } Physical activity shall not be used or withheld solely as a form of punishment.

{ } _____ other.

Social Media

A social media literacy program consistent with curriculum regulations and academic standards shall be developed and implemented to address the following:^{[7][8][23]}

1. **Mental, psychological and physical effects of social media and mobile device use.**
2. **Potential impacts of social media and mobile device use on academic growth and learning.**
3. **Safe use of social media, including how to recognize suspicious online behavior including, but not limited to:**
 - a. **Cyberbullying.**
 - b. **Predatory behavior.**
 - c. **Potential human trafficking.**
4. **Personal security and privacy on mobile devices.**

Other School Based Activities

Safe drinking water shall be available and accessible to students, without restriction and at no cost to the student, at all meal periods and throughout the school day.^{[11][12][13][24]}

Nutrition professionals who meet hiring criteria established by the district and in compliance with federal regulations shall administer the school meals program. Professional development and continuing education shall be provided for district nutrition staff, as required by federal regulations.^{[9][15][16][17]}

{X } District schools shall provide adequate space, as defined by the district, for eating and serving school meals.

{X } Students shall be provided a clean and safe meal environment.

{X } Students shall be provided adequate time to eat: ten (10) minutes sit down time for breakfast; twenty (20) minutes sit down time for lunch.

{X } District schools shall implement alternative service models to increase school breakfast participation where possible, such as breakfast served in the classroom, “grab & go breakfast” and breakfast after first period to reinforce the positive educational, behavioral and health impacts of a healthy breakfast.

{X } Meal periods shall be scheduled at appropriate hours, as required by federal regulations and as defined by the district.^[11]

{X } Students shall have access to hand washing or sanitizing before meals and snacks.

{X } Access to the food service operation shall be limited to authorized staff.

{X } Nutrition content of school meals shall be available to students and parents/guardians.

{ } Students and parents/guardians may be involved in menu selections through various means, such as taste testing and surveys.

{X } To the extent possible, the district shall utilize available funding and outside programs to enhance student wellness.

{X } The district shall provide appropriate training to all staff on the components of the School Wellness policy.

{X } Goals of the School Wellness policy shall be considered in planning all school based activities.

{X } Fundraising projects submitted for approval shall be supportive of healthy eating and student wellness.

{X } Administrators, teachers, food service personnel, students, parents/guardians and community members shall be encouraged to serve as positive role models through district programs, communications and outreach efforts.

{X } The district shall support the efforts of parents/guardians to provide a healthy diet and daily physical activity for children by communicating relevant information through various methods.

{X } The district shall maintain a healthy school environment to optimize conditions for learning and minimize potential health risks to students, in accordance with the district’s school environmental health program and applicable laws and regulations.

{ } _____ other.

Nutrition Guidelines for All Foods/Beverages at School

All foods and beverages available in district schools during the school day shall be offered to students with consideration for promoting student health and reducing obesity.

Foods and beverages provided through the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Programs shall comply with established federal nutrition standards.^{[11][12][15][16]}

Foods and beverages offered or sold at school-sponsored events outside the school day, such as athletic events and dances, shall offer healthy alternatives in addition to more traditional fare.

Competitive Foods -

Competitive foods available for sale shall meet or exceed the established federal nutrition standards (USDA Smart Snacks in School). These standards shall apply in all locations and through all services where foods and beverages are sold to students, which may include, but are not limited to: a la carte options in cafeterias, vending machines, school stores, snack carts and fundraisers.^{[3][18][19]}

For purposes of this policy, **school campus** means any area of property under the jurisdiction of the school that students may access during the school day.^{[3][18]}

For purposes of this policy, **school day** means the period from midnight before school begins until thirty (30) minutes after the end of the official school day.^{[3][18]}

The district may impose additional restrictions on competitive foods, provided that the restrictions are not inconsistent with federal requirements.^[18]

Fundraiser Exemptions -

Fundraising activities held during the school day involving the sale of competitive foods shall be limited to foods that meet the Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards, unless an exemption is approved in accordance with applicable Board policy and administrative regulations.^[20]

The district may allow a limited number of exempt fundraisers as permitted by the Pennsylvania Department of Education each school year: up to five (5) exempt fundraisers in elementary and middle school buildings, and up to ten (10) exempt fundraisers in high school buildings. **Exempt fundraisers** are fundraisers in which competitive foods are available for sale to students that do not meet the Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards.^[18]

The district shall establish administrative regulations to implement fundraising activities in district schools, including procedures for requesting a fundraiser exemption.

Non-Sold Competitive Foods -

Non-sold competitive foods available to students, which may include but are not limited to foods and beverages offered as rewards and incentives, at classroom parties and celebrations, or as shared classroom snacks, shall meet or exceed the standards established by the district.

If the offered competitive foods do not meet or exceed the Smart Snacks in School nutrition standards, the following standards shall apply:

1. Rewards and Incentives: **(CHOOSE ONE OF THE OPTIONS BELOW)**

- a. ☒ Foods and beverages shall not be used as a reward or incentive in district schools.
- b. ☐ Foods and beverages shall not be used as a reward for classroom or school activities unless the reward is an activity that promotes a positive nutrition message (e.g., guest chef, field trip to a farm or farmers market, etc.).
- c. ☐ _____ other.

2. Classroom Parties and Celebrations: **(CHOOSE ONE OR MORE OF THE OPTIONS BELOW)**

- a. ☐ Only non-food based parties and celebrations shall occur on the school campus during the school day in district schools.
- b. ☒ Classroom parties/celebrations with food/beverages shall be limited to no more than one (1) per month in each classroom.
- c. ☒ Parents/Guardians shall be informed through newsletters or other efficient communication methods that foods/beverages should only be brought in when requested for scheduled parties.
- d. ☒ Classroom parties shall offer a minimal amount of foods (maximum 2-3 items) containing added sugar as the primary ingredient (e.g., cupcakes, cookies) and will provide the following:
 - i. Fresh fruits/vegetables; and
 - ii. Water, 100 percent juice, 100 percent juice diluted with water, low-fat milk or nonfat milk.
- e. ☒ When possible, foods/beverages for parties and celebrations shall be provided by the food service department to help prevent food safety and allergy concerns.
- f. ☒ Food celebrations shall not occur until thirty (30) minutes after the end of the last lunch period.
- g. ☐ _____ other.

3. Shared Classroom Snacks:

- a. ☒ Shared classroom snacks are not permitted in district schools.
- b. ☐ _____ other.

The district shall provide a list of suggested nonfood ideas and healthy food and beverage alternatives to parents/guardians and staff, which may be posted via the district website, student handbooks, newsletters, posted notices and/or other efficient communication methods.

Marketing/Contracting -

Any foods and beverages marketed or promoted to students on the school campus during the school day shall meet or exceed the established federal nutrition standards (USDA Smart Snacks in School) and comply with established Board policy and administrative regulations.^[3]

[18]

Exclusive competitive food and/or beverage contracts shall be approved by the Board, in accordance with provisions of law. Existing contracts shall be reviewed and modified to the extent feasible to ensure compliance with established federal nutrition standards, including applicable marketing restrictions.^[21]

Management of Food Allergies in District Schools

The district shall establish Board policy and administrative regulations to address food allergy management in district schools in order to:^[22]

1. Reduce and/or eliminate the likelihood of severe or potentially life-threatening allergic reactions.
2. Ensure a rapid and effective response in case of a severe or potentially life-threatening allergic reaction.
3. Protect the rights of students by providing them, through necessary accommodations when required, the opportunity to participate fully in all school programs and activities.

Safe Routes to School

{X} The district shall assess and, to the extent possible, implement improvements to make walking and biking to school safer and easier for students.

{X} The district shall cooperate with local municipalities, public safety agency, police departments and community organizations to develop and maintain safe routes to school.

{X} District administrators shall seek and utilize available federal and state funding for safe routes to school, when appropriate.

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Legal Footnotes

[2] 42 U.S.C. 1758b
LEGAL REFERENCE

[3] 7 CFR 210.31
LEGAL REFERENCE

[4] 7 CFR 210.15
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[5] 24 P.S. 1422
LEGAL REFERENCE

[6] 24 P.S. 1513
LEGAL REFERENCE

[7] Pol. 102 — Academic Standards
POLICY REFERENCE

[8] Pol. 105 — Curriculum
POLICY REFERENCE

[9] Pol. 808 — Food Services
POLICY REFERENCE

[10] 24 P.S. 1512.1
LEGAL REFERENCE

[11] 7 CFR 210.10
LEGAL REFERENCE

[12] 7 CFR 220.8
LEGAL REFERENCE

[13] 24 P.S. 701
LEGAL REFERENCE

[15] 42 U.S.C. 1751
LEGAL REFERENCE

[16] 42 U.S.C. 1773
LEGAL REFERENCE

[17] 7 CFR 210.30
LEGAL REFERENCE

[18] 7 CFR 210.11
LEGAL REFERENCE

[19] 7 CFR 220.12
LEGAL REFERENCE

[20] Pol. 229 — Student Fundraising
POLICY REFERENCE

[21] 24 P.S. 504.1
LEGAL REFERENCE

[22] Pol. 209.1 — Food Allergy Management
POLICY REFERENCE

[23] 24 P.S. 1556
LEGAL REFERENCE

[24] 24 P.S. 742.1
LEGAL REFERENCE



BOARD POLICY

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PURPOSE

The Board recognizes that bullying **and cyberbullying create** an atmosphere of fear and intimidation, detracts from the safe environment necessary for student learning and may lead to more serious violence. **The Board is committed to providing a safe, positive learning environment for district students that is free from bullying and cyberbullying.**

DEFINITIONS

Artificial Intelligence-Generated or Modified Media means text, code, images, audio or video data that has been created or modified from its original source data through the use of artificial intelligence technology, programs or platforms.^[1]

Bullying means an intentional electronic, written, verbal or physical act or series of acts directed at another student or students, which occurs in a school setting

{X} and/or outside a school setting,

that is severe, persistent or pervasive and has the effect of doing any of the following:^[1]

1. Substantially interfering with a student's education; **or**
2. Creating a threatening environment; **or**
3. Substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the school.

Cyberbullying means bullying through the use of electronic technology or communication, including data, computer software or online platforms regardless of their origin, using a device, system network, internet service, email, social media or other digital means, including artificial intelligence-generated or modified media. Cyberbullying includes bullying conduct which occurs in a school setting.^[1]

{X} and/or outside a school setting.

School setting means in the school, on school grounds, in school vehicles, at a designated bus stop or at any activity sponsored, supervised or sanctioned by the school.^[1]

AUTHORITY

The Board prohibits all forms of bullying **and cyberbullying** by district students **and requires that this policy be accessible in every classroom. The policy shall be posted in a prominent location within each school building and on the district website.**^[1]

The Board encourages students who believe they or others have been bullied to promptly report such incidents to the building principal or designee.

The Board directs that complaints of bullying **and cyberbullying** be investigated promptly, and appropriate corrective or preventative action be taken when allegations are substantiated. The Board directs that any complaint of bullying **or cyberbullying** brought pursuant to this policy **to** also be reviewed for conduct which may not be proven to be bullying **or cyberbullying** under this policy but merits review and possible action under other Board policies.^[1]

Confidentiality

Confidentiality of all parties, witnesses, the allegations, the filing of a complaint and the investigation shall be handled in accordance with applicable law, regulations, this policy and the district's legal and investigative obligations.

Retaliation

Reprisal or retaliation relating to reports of bullying **or cyberbullying** or participation in an investigation of allegations of bullying **or cyberbullying** is prohibited and shall be subject to disciplinary action.

DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

Each student shall be responsible to respect the rights of others and to ensure an atmosphere free from bullying **and cyberbullying**.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop administrative regulations to **support** this policy.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that this policy and administrative regulations are reviewed annually with students.^[1]

The Superintendent or designee, in cooperation with other appropriate administrators, shall review this policy every three (3) years and recommend necessary revisions to the Board.^[1]

District administration shall annually provide the following information with the school safety and security incident report:^[1]^[2]

1. Board's Bullying/**Cyberbullying** Policy.
2. Report of bullying **and cyberbullying** incidents.
3. Information on the development and implementation of any bullying **and cyberbullying** prevention, intervention or education programs.

GUIDELINES

Reports of bullying or cyberbullying may be made orally or in writing and may be anonymous, except where made by district staff. Students are encouraged to use the district's reporting form attached to this policy, or to submit a written complaint; however, oral complaints will be accepted, documented and investigated.

Any individual receiving a complaint shall handle the report objectively, neutrally and professionally, setting aside personal biases that might favor or disfavor any person involved.

District staff who observe bullying/cyberbullying or receive a report of bullying/cyberbullying shall not conduct an independent investigation but shall take appropriate action to protect the safety of involved students and promptly provide a summary of the observed or reported conduct to the building principal or designee.

For purposes of this policy, a reporter is an individual, other than district staff, who reports alleged bullying/cyberbullying directed at one or more students. A complainant is the alleged victim or target of the conduct. In some circumstances, the same individual may serve as both reporter and complainant.

The building principal or designee shall encourage the complainant or reporter to complete the district's designated report form. If, due to age, disability or other incapacity, the complainant or reporter is unable to complete the form, the building principal or designee shall document the report and complete the form on the individual's behalf. If the report is made by someone other than the complainant, the complainant shall be notified promptly, informed of the report, and encouraged to complete the district reporting form.

As soon as practicable after the receipt of a report of bullying or cyberbullying, the district shall notify the parent(s)/guardian(s) of any student involved in the incident.

If the complainant, district staff, or other professionals with knowledge of the complainant's health and well-being indicate that notifying a parent/guardian could place the complainant or another person at risk of abuse, neglect or other imminent harm, the building principal, in consultation with the Superintendent and legal counsel, and as appropriate, law enforcement, child welfare authorities and other qualified professionals, may determine whether parental notification should be delayed as permitted by law. The basis for the delay must be documented, and parent/guardian notification shall occur as soon as legally and safely practicable.^[3]^[4]

Every report of bullying/cyberbullying shall be reviewed and investigated promptly and sufficiently to address the alleged misconduct, even if the report is anonymous or the complainant requests that no action be taken.

Threat Assessment

When a student's behavior indicates a threat to the safety of the student, other students, school employees, school facilities, the community, or others, district staff shall make a referral to the district's threat assessment team in accordance with applicable law and Board policy.^[5]^[6]

Discrimination/Harassment

If, at the time of the report or at any time during the investigation of the alleged bullying/cyberbullying, there is reason to believe that the conduct may fall within the provisions of the district's discrimination/harassment policies, the Title IX Coordinator must be promptly notified. Upon notification, the Title IX Coordinator will immediately initiate steps to comply with appropriate policies and procedures. The investigation will be handled as a joint and concurrent investigation to address all applicable allegations and legal requirements.^[7]^[8]

Investigation Procedures

After determining that the matter does not require handling under Policy 103, the building principal shall determine whether the investigation may be conducted by the principal or designee or whether the matter must be referred to the Superintendent or another appropriate

administrator.

If law enforcement has been notified, a law enforcement report has been filed, or substantiated allegations could result in expulsion, the building principal shall consult with the Superintendent or appropriate administrator, who may seek advice from legal counsel.

Investigations shall be timely, impartial, thorough and comprehensive. The investigation may include:

- 1. Interviewing the complainant.**
- 2. Interviewing the individual(s) accused of the conduct.**
- 3. Interviewing witnesses.**
- 4. Reviewing physical, electronic or documentary evidence.**
- 5. Reviewing any other relevant information provided during the investigation.**
- 6. Conducting any additional inquiry reasonably necessary to determine the facts and address proven misconduct.**

Investigative Findings

The investigator shall prepare findings that summarize the investigation, determine whether the allegations have been substantiated, identify any violation of Board policy or applicable law, and recommend appropriate corrective action.

As soon as practicable after determining that an incident of bullying or cyberbullying has occurred, the district shall notify the parent(s)/guardian(s) of any student involved in the incident of the determination of the investigation.

The complainant/reporter and the accused shall be informed of the outcome of the investigation within a reasonable period of time, consistent with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and other applicable laws. The accused shall not be informed of any individual remedies provided to the complainant.^[9]

District Response and Corrective Action

If an investigation results in a finding that bullying or cyberbullying or other misconduct occurred, the district shall take prompt and appropriate corrective action designed to stop the conduct, prevent its recurrence, protect affected students, eliminate any hostile or disruptive environment, and prevent retaliation.^[1]

The district shall document corrective actions taken and, when permitted by law, inform the complainant or reporter of responsive measures. District administrators shall monitor the effectiveness of corrective actions and take additional measures when necessary.^[1]

If an investigation reveals violations of other Board policies or circumstances requiring additional review, referral, discipline or intervention, the district shall address those matters through the appropriate disciplinary, administrative or support processes.

Any disciplinary action imposed shall be consistent with the Code of Student Conduct, Board policies and administrative regulations, applicable collective bargaining agreements, and state and federal law, and may include:^{[1][2][13]}

{ X } Counseling within the school.

{X } Parental conference.

{X } Loss of school privileges.

{X } Transfer to another school building, classroom or school bus.

{X } Exclusion from school-sponsored activities.

{ X } Detention.

{X } Suspension.

{ X } Expulsion.

{X } Counseling/Therapy outside of school.

{X } Referral to law enforcement officials.

The Code of Student Conduct, which shall contain this policy, shall be disseminated annually to students.^[1]^[2]^[10]

Education

The district

{ } may

{X } shall

develop, implement and evaluate bullying prevention and intervention programs and activities. Programs and activities shall provide district staff and students with appropriate training for effectively responding to, intervening in and reporting incidents of bullying.^[1]^[11]^[12]

School Safety and Security Incidents Report

Annually, by July 31, the Superintendent shall report on the designated form, to the PA Department of Education, all new incidents as required by state law. The report must include the total number of bullying and cyberbullying incidents that occurred during the school year, including the number of cyberbullying incidents suspected to involve artificial intelligence-generated or modified media.^[2]^[14]

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Legal Footnotes

[1] 24 P.S. 1303.1-A
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[2] Pol. 805.1 — Relations With Law Enforcement Agencies
POLICY REFERENCE

[3] 23 Pa. C.S.A. 6301
LEGAL REFERENCE

[4] Pol. 806 — Child Abuse
POLICY REFERENCE

[5] 24 P.S. 1302-E
LEGAL REFERENCE

[6] Pol. 236.1 – Threat Assessment
POLICY REFERENCE

[7] Pol. 103 – Nondiscrimination in School and Classroom Practices
POLICY REFERENCE

[8] Pol. 103.1 – Nondiscrimination – Qualified Students With Disabilities
POLICY REFERENCE

[9] Pol. 216 – Student Records
POLICY REFERENCE

[10] 22 PA Code 12.3
LEGAL REFERENCE

[11] 20 U.S.C. 7118
LEGAL REFERENCE

[12] 24 P.S. 1302-A
LEGAL REFERENCE

[13] Pol. 236 – Student Assistance Program
POLICY REFERENCE

[14] 24 P.S. 1319-B
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PURPOSE

Adequate maintenance of buildings, property and equipment is essential to fiscal responsibility and efficient management of district facilities.

AUTHORITY

The Board directs that a continuous program of inspection and maintenance of all district buildings, property and equipment be established and implemented. Wherever possible, maintenance shall be preventive.^{[2][3]}

DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

The Superintendent or designee shall develop and supervise a maintenance program which shall include:

☒ Regular program of maintenance, repair and improvement of buildings and facilities.

☒ **Testing lead levels in drinking water.**^[3]

☐ Critical spare parts inventory.

☒ Equipment replacement program.

☒ Long-range plans for building modernization and conditioning.

☒ The Superintendent or designee shall develop a maintenance check list applicable to all district buildings.

☒ Each building principal, in conjunction with the building maintenance employee, shall conduct a physical inspection of the building on a

☒ periodic

☐ monthly

() bimonthly

basis and return a written report to the Superintendent or designee as to the findings of that inspection.

The Superintendent shall report

{ } annually

{ } quarterly

{X} periodically

to the Board regarding the current maintenance and improvement program and projected maintenance needs that include cost analysis.

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Legal Footnotes

[2] 24 P.S. 701
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[3] 24 P.S. 742.1
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PURPOSE

The Board recognizes that preparation of an annual school calendar is necessary for the efficient operation of the district and communication with students, staff, parents/guardians and the school community.

AUTHORITY

The Board shall determine annually the days and the hours when the schools will be in session for instructional purposes, in accordance with state law and regulations. This may include, as appropriate, activities qualifying as instructional days or hours under the direction of certified school employees for fulfilling the minimum required days or hours of instruction under law, regulations and state guidance.[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)[\[4\]](#)[\[5\]](#)[\[6\]](#)[\[7\]](#)[\[8\]](#)[\[9\]](#)

The school calendar shall normally consist of a minimum of [\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)[\[8\]](#)[\[10\]](#)

[{X}](#) } 180 student days.

[{X}](#) } 900 hours of instruction at the elementary level and 990 hours of instruction at the secondary level.

[{ }](#) } 450 hours of instruction for half-day kindergarten programs.

[{ }](#) } and prekindergarten programs.

The Board reserves the right to alter the school calendar when it is in the best interests of the district, including in cases of emergency, in accordance with applicable law and regulations. The Board shall take action to establish temporary provisions in cases of emergency, in accordance with law, and shall document such actions with the PA Department of Education when required.[\[2\]](#)[\[5\]](#)[\[6\]](#)[\[7\]](#)[\[9\]](#)[\[11\]](#)[\[12\]](#)[\[13\]](#)[\[14\]](#)

Temporary provisions established in accordance with law may include but are not limited to:

[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)[\[5\]](#)[\[6\]](#)[\[7\]](#)[\[8\]](#)[\[9\]](#)[\[12\]](#)[\[13\]](#)[\[15\]](#)

1. Keeping schools in session such days and hours as the Board deems necessary, which shall include maintaining the requirement for a minimum of 180 student days or 900 hours of instruction at the elementary level and 990 hours of instruction at the secondary level.
{ } 450 hours of instruction for half-day kindergarten programs.
{ } and prekindergarten programs.
2. Reducing the length of time of daily instruction for courses and classes.
3. Implementing remote and other alternative methods of delivering instruction under the direction of certified school employees.

Each year, prior to finalizing the school calendar, the Board must discuss the use or potential use of flexible instructional days and remote or virtual instructional days at a public Board meeting.^[7] ^[14]

DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

The Superintendent shall annually prepare a school calendar for Board consideration.

The Superintendent or designee shall document alterations to the school calendar and any temporary provisions in accordance with law, regulations, guidance from the PA Department of Education and Board policy.^[7]^[14] ^[15]

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Legal Footnotes

[1] 24 P.S. 133
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[2] 24 P.S. 1501
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[3] 24 P.S. 1502
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[4] 24 P.S. 1503
LEGAL REFERENCE

[5] 24 P.S. 1504
LEGAL REFERENCE

[6] 24 P.S. 1505
LEGAL REFERENCE

[7] 24 P.S. 1506
LEGAL REFERENCE

[8] 22 PA Code 11.1
LEGAL REFERENCE

[9] 22 PA Code 11.2
LEGAL REFERENCE

[10] 22 PA Code 4.4
LEGAL REFERENCE

[11] 24 P.S. 520
LEGAL REFERENCE

[12] 24 P.S. 520.1
LEGAL REFERENCE

[13] 24 P.S. 1501.3
LEGAL REFERENCE

[14] Pol. 006
POLICY REFERENCE
Referenced policy is not available in this policy book.

[15] Pol. 805 — Emergency Preparedness and Response

POLICY REFERENCE



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PURPOSE

The Board is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for the school community.

Maintaining automated external defibrillator (AED) units and staff trained in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) in the schools enables responders to deliver early defibrillation and resuscitation to victims.

DEFINITION

Automated external defibrillator (AED) - a portable device that uses electric shock to restore a stable heart rhythm to an individual in cardiac arrest.^[1]

AUTHORITY

Each school building shall have one (1) person **trained and** certified in the use of **an AED and** CPR during **the school day** when school is in session and students are present.^{[2][3]}

Each school nurse or designee, coach of an athletic activity, marching band director, physical education teacher and athletic trainer in the district must participate in instruction in the use of an AED and CPR and maintain their certification.^[2]

The AED units are owned by the district and shall be properly maintained **and tested**, and located in secure and accessible locations.

The district shall have an AED in a readily accessible location for students participating in interscholastic athletics and practices. Individuals trained in the use of an AED and CPR will be present during these times.^[4]^[5]

The AED units shall be used in accordance with approved district procedures.

GUIDELINES

A core team shall be trained in CPR and AED procedures by completing a training program offered by approved providers. Members of the team shall be provided opportunities for annual training and retraining.

The district shall make instruction in the use of an AED available to all its employees and volunteers at least once every two (2) years. The instruction is optional and shall be conducted by an approved provider that may be through the Internet or other electronic means.^[2]

{ X } The district may make instruction on the principles and techniques of CPR and the use of operating an AED available to students.^[3]

Written guidelines for medical emergencies related to the use of AED units shall be provided to all **employees instructed in the use of an AED.**

{ X } Responders' use of AED units shall not replace the care provided by emergency medical services (EMS) providers. Patient care shall be transferred to the EMS providers upon their arrival.

DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

The **Superintendent** or designee shall develop and disseminate administrative regulations that detail the use of AED units.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually, by June 30, report to the PA Department of Education detailing the number, condition, age, expiration date and placement of AEDs in each school building.^[6]

Legal Footnotes

[1] 24 P.S. 1401
LEGAL REFERENCE

[2] 24 P.S. 1423.1
LEGAL REFERENCE

[3] 24 P.S. 1424
LEGAL REFERENCE

[4] 24 P.S. 1423.3
LEGAL REFERENCE

[5] Pol. 123 — Interscholastic Athletics
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[6] 24 P.S. 1423.2
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BOARD POLICY

903 Public Comment in Board Meetings

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Purpose

The Board recognizes the value of public input and the importance of designating time for public comment during open Board meetings. The Board also recognizes the importance of diverse viewpoints and commentary.

This policy addresses the right for the public to comment at open Board meetings and the responsibility of the Board to conduct its business in an orderly and efficient manner. An authorized individual's public comment will be free from interruption, except when the individual's conduct is in violation of law or Board policy.[\[1\]](#)

Authority

An opportunity for district residents, taxpayers, employees and students to provide comment on matters of concern, official action or deliberation which are or may be before the Board, shall be provided as designated on the Board meeting agenda and in compliance with law, Board policy and district procedures.[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)[\[4\]](#)[\[5\]](#)

The presiding officer may expand the opportunity to provide public comment to others when deemed necessary to inform the Board.

Copies of the agenda, which includes a listing of each matter of business that will be or may be the subject of deliberation or official action at the meeting, shall be made available to individuals in attendance at the meeting.[\[3\]](#)

The Board ~~requires that~~ only permits public comment on agenda items during the first hearing of citizens. ~~be made at the beginning of each meeting.~~[\[4\]](#)

If the Board determines there is not sufficient time at a meeting for public comments, the comment period may be deferred to the next regular meeting or to a special meeting occurring before the next regular meeting.[\[4\]](#)

The Board shall provide a second public comment period, after the items for action or deliberation have been completed, to comment on items of concern or other matters involving the school district.

When items are added to the agenda after the public comment period has ended, the Board shall offer a further public comment opportunity limited to the added items.[\[4\]](#)[\[6\]](#)

An individual's public comment may be interrupted or terminated only under limited circumstances, such as when the individual's commentary is in clear violation of law or Board policy, including but not limited to the following:

1. Sexual harassment, racial, ethnic, religious or nationality intimidation towards an individual or individuals in the school community. [\[7\]](#) [\[8\]](#) [\[9\]](#)
2. Disclosure of confidential personal information regarding students or staff.
3. Speech that traditionally has not been protected under the First Amendment, such as obscenity, defamation and speech integral to criminal conduct.
4. Speech that is profane.
5. Speech that constitutes true threats such as inciting imminent lawless action or subjecting individuals to fear of violence.
6. Speech that does not concern matters that may come before the Board for deliberation or official action, for example, sales of commercial products or services.

Guidelines

Sign-in and Request to Comment

All individuals wishing to comment during the Board meeting shall sign in on the sheet provided at the meeting and provide the following information on the sign-in sheet: [\[1\]](#)

1. Name of commenter.
2. Municipality of the commenter.
3. Topic to be addressed.
4. Group or organization affiliation, if applicable, including acknowledgement that the individual has been requested to and is authorized to speak on behalf of the organization and identification of the organization's connection to the district.

Statement of Presiding Officer

Prior to public comment during the meeting, the presiding officer shall make a statement providing direction and establishing expectations for the period of public comment.

Public Comment

Individuals shall wait to be recognized by the presiding officer before commenting, must direct all comments to the Board, and must preface their comments by an announcement of their name, and group affiliation, if applicable.

Each statement must be made by an individual, in person or by proxy, and shall be limited to three (3) minutes.

Commenters may not cede their time to other individuals.

No individual may speak more than once on the same topic, unless all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard and there is time remaining in the public comment period.

All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no participant may address or question school directors individually.

The presiding officer and the district solicitor have the authority to:

1. Interrupt an individual to warn the commenter that the statement is too lengthy or conduct is otherwise in violation of this policy.
2. After warning, terminate the individual's opportunity to comment when the conduct continues and is in violation of this policy.
3. Call a recess or adjourn to another time when an individual's conduct is otherwise in violation of this policy.
4. Request an individual to leave the meeting when that person's conduct is disrupting the operation of the meeting.[\[10\]](#)[\[11\]](#)
5. If the individual refuses to leave the meeting, request the assistance of school security personnel or law enforcement to remove the disorderly person to enable the Board to proceed with the orderly operation of the meeting.[\[12\]](#) [\[13\]](#)
6. Waive the Board's rules regarding public comment with the approval of a majority of those present and voting.

Response to Public Comment

The purpose of public comment at Board meetings is to allow the Board to learn the thoughts of the public prior to Board deliberation and official action.

Although the public comment period of the meeting is not a question and answer session between the public and the Board, the Board may direct staff to follow up and address public inquiries in a reasonably prompt manner.

Whenever public comments are subject to the Board policy regarding public complaints, the individual shall be directed to follow the process outlined in the policy for resolution of the issue. [\[14\]](#)

Public Comment Recorded in Board Minutes

The following information regarding public comment is required to appear in the official minutes of each open Board meeting: [\[5\]](#)[\[15\]](#)

1. The names of all citizens who appeared before the Board.
2. The subject of their testimony.

Board Committees

In general, meetings of committees of the Board shall not include a public comment period, unless held as a Committee of the Whole. [\[4\]](#)[\[5\]](#)[\[16\]](#)

Recording Devices and Cameras

Electronic recording devices and cameras, in addition to those used as official recording devices, shall be permitted at open meetings. The Board is authorized to establish reasonable rules for the use of recording devices and cameras during Board meetings. [\[1\]](#)[\[17\]](#)

Legal Footnotes

[1] 65 Pa. C.S.A. 710
LEGAL REFERENCE

[2] 24 P.S. 407
LEGAL REFERENCE

[3] 65 Pa. C.S.A. 709
LEGAL REFERENCE

[4] 65 Pa. C.S.A. 710.1
LEGAL REFERENCE

[5] Pol. 006 — Meetings
POLICY REFERENCE

[6] 65 Pa. C.S.A. 712.1
LEGAL REFERENCE

[7] Pol. 103 — Nondiscrimination in School and Classroom Practices
POLICY REFERENCE

[8] Pol. 103.1 — Nondiscrimination — Qualified Students With Disabilities
POLICY REFERENCE

[9] Pol. 104 — Nondiscrimination in Employment Practices

POLICY REFERENCE

[10] 18 Pa. C.S.A. 5101

LEGAL REFERENCE

[11] 18 Pa. C.S.A. 5508

LEGAL REFERENCE

[12] 18 Pa. C.S.A. 3503

LEGAL REFERENCE

[13] Pol. 805.2 — Student/Staff Safety and Access to Education

POLICY REFERENCE

[14] Pol. 906 — Public Complaints

POLICY REFERENCE

[15] 65 Pa. C.S.A. 706

LEGAL REFERENCE

[16] Alekseev v. City Council of Philadelphia, 8 A.3d 311 (Pa. 2010)

LEGAL REFERENCE

[17] 65 Pa. C.S.A. 711

LEGAL REFERENCE



BOARD POLICY

904 Public Attendance at School Events

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Purpose

The Board welcomes the public at activities and events sponsored by the school district, but the Board also acknowledges its duty to maintain order and preserve school facilities and health and safety during such events. This policy establishes conditions, restrictions and procedures to regulate public attendance and conduct at school and school-sponsored activities.

Definition

For purposes of this policy, tobacco product encompasses not only tobacco but also vaping products including electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes). **Tobacco products**, for purposes of this policy and in accordance with law, shall be defined to include the following:

[1][2]

1. Any product containing, made or derived from tobacco or nicotine that is intended for human consumption, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed or ingested by any other means, including, but not limited to, a cigarette, cigar, little cigar, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, snuff and snus.
2. Any electronic device that delivers nicotine or another substance to a person inhaling from the device, including, but not limited to, electronic nicotine delivery systems, an electronic cigarette, a cigar, a pipe and a hookah.

3. Any product containing, made or derived from either:
 - a. Tobacco, whether in its natural or synthetic form; or
 - b. Nicotine, whether in its natural or synthetic form, which is regulated by the United States Food and Drug Administration as a deemed tobacco product.
4. Any component, part or accessory of the product or electronic device listed in this definition, whether or not sold separately.

The term **tobacco product** does not include the following:[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)

1. A product that has been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for sale as a tobacco cessation product or for other therapeutic purposes where the product is marketed and sold solely for such approved purpose, as long as the product is not inhaled.
2. A device, included under the definition of tobacco product above, if sold by a dispensary licensed in compliance with the Medical Marijuana Act. *Federal law requires the district to maintain a drug-free environment, at which marijuana of any kind is prohibited.*[\[3\]](#)[\[4\]](#)

Authority

The Board has the authority to prohibit at a school event the attendance of any individual whose conduct may constitute a disruption. The Superintendent or designee and building principal may limit attendance to designated areas or may limit the number of attendees to school events when necessary to protect the health and safety of students, staff and the public, in accordance with Board-approved health and safety plans and guidance from state and local officials.

The Board prohibits gambling and the possession and use of controlled substances prohibited by state or federal law, alcoholic beverages and weapons on school premises.[\[5\]](#)[\[6\]](#)

Attendees shall be informed of the district's health and safety rules through announcements and posting of appropriate signage. Health and safety rules must be followed prior to entry and while attendees are in school buildings and on school property, in accordance with Board policy, district procedures, the Board-approved health and safety plans and guidance from state and local officials.[\[7\]](#)

Tobacco and Vaping Products

The Board prohibits use of tobacco and vaping products, **including** e-cigarettes, by any persons at any time in a school building; on school buses or other vehicles that are owned, leased or controlled by the school district; or on property owned, leased or controlled by the school district.[\[2\]](#)[\[8\]](#)

{ } unless expressly permitted in designated areas which must be located at least fifty (50) feet from school buildings, stadiums or bleachers.

This policy does not prohibit possession of tobacco **products** by members of the public of legal age at school or school-sponsored activities.

The Board deems it to be a violation of this policy for an individual in attendance at school or a school-sponsored activity to furnish a tobacco **product** to a minor.[\[1\]](#)

Delegation of Responsibility

A schedule of fees for attendance at school events shall be prepared by the Superintendent or designee and adopted by the Board.

The Superintendent shall ensure that this policy is posted on the district's publicly accessible website.[\[9\]](#)

Reports

Annual School Safety and Security Incidents Report –

The Superintendent shall annually, by July 31, report all incidents of prohibited possession, use or sale of tobacco **products** by any person on school property to the **PA Department of Education** on the required form.[\[10\]](#)[\[11\]](#)[\[12\]](#)

Law Enforcement Incident Report –

In accordance with state law and regulations, the procedures set forth in the memorandum of understanding with **law** enforcement and Board policies, the Superintendent or designee may report to the **law enforcement agency** that has jurisdiction over the school's property, the use or sale of tobacco **products** by any person in a school building; on a school bus or other vehicles that are owned, leased or controlled by the school district; or on any property owned leased or controlled by the school district.^{[1][2][10][11][12][13][14]}

Guidelines

Free Admittance

{X} Senior citizens who are district residents and are 65 years of age or older shall be admitted

() without charge

() at a reduced fee

() to all school events.

(X) to all school athletic events.

{X} District personnel will be admitted

(X) to all ~~school~~ school athletic events

() at no charge.

() at a reduced fee.

{ X} Free passes to school events will be available to each Board member.

() and a guest.

{X} The Board will honor athletic passes from all districts that are members of conferences in which teams of this district compete and honor the passes of this district.

Service Animals

Individuals with disabilities may be accompanied by their service animals while on district property for events that are open to the general public in accordance with Board policy and state and federal laws and regulations.[\[15\]](#)[\[16\]](#)[\[17\]](#)

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Legal Footnotes

[1] 18 Pa. C.S.A. 6305
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[2] 18 Pa. C.S.A. 6306.1
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[3] 20 U.S.C. 7118
LEGAL REFERENCE

[4] Pol. 351 — Controlled Substance Abuse
POLICY REFERENCE

[5] 24 P.S. 511
LEGAL REFERENCE

[6] 24 P.S. 775
LEGAL REFERENCE

[7] Pol. 705 — Facilities and Workplace Safety
POLICY REFERENCE

[8] 20 U.S.C. 7973
LEGAL REFERENCE

[9] 24 P.S. 510.2
LEGAL REFERENCE

[10] 24 P.S. 1306.2-B
LEGAL REFERENCE

[11] 24 P.S. 1319-B
LEGAL REFERENCE

[12] Pol. 805.1 — Relations With Law Enforcement Agencies
POLICY REFERENCE

[13] 22 PA Code 10.2
LEGAL REFERENCE

[14] 22 PA Code 10.22
LEGAL REFERENCE

[15] 28 CFR 35.136
LEGAL REFERENCE

[16] 43 P.S. 953
LEGAL REFERENCE

[17] Pol. 718 — Service Animals in Schools
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BOARD POLICY

905 Citizen Advisory Committees

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Purpose

Citizen advisory committees can be useful in keeping the Board and administration informed with regard to community opinion and in representing the community in the study of specific school issues.

An advisory committee shall consist of at least one (1) Board member, interested community residents, and district administrators when appropriate.

Authority

When creating an advisory committee, the Board shall:

1. Define the committee's assignment.
2. Appoint a Chairperson and a recording secretary.
3. Appoint residents who are interested and can make some special contribution to the committee's function.

~~In charging a new advisory committee, the Board shall set a date for preliminary and final report.~~

Recommendations of advisory committees shall not reduce the responsibility of the Board, which shall be free to accept or reject the recommendations.

Meetings of an advisory committee are not regular meetings of the Board and shall be open to the public only upon invitation of the committee.



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906 Public Complaints

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Purpose

The Board welcomes inquiries, suggestions, and constructive criticism from parents/guardians, district residents or community groups regarding the district's programs, personnel, operations and facilities. The Board adopts this policy to establish procedures for seeking appropriate resolution to complaints.

Authority

The Board encourages parents/guardians, district residents or community groups who have general complaints about Board policy and district procedures, district programs, personnel, operations and facilities to follow the general complaint procedure established in this policy.

The Board directs parents/guardians, other individuals and organizations alleging violations of law in the district's administration of federally-funded programs to submit complaints in accordance with the separate federal program complaint procedure established in this policy.

[\[1\]](#)

The Board shall ensure that this policy is posted on the district's publicly accessible website in accordance with law.[\[2\]](#)

Delegation of Responsibility

The district shall annually notify parents/guardians, employees and the public of this policy and established complaint procedures via the district website, newsletters, posted notices and/or other efficient communication methods.

Guidelines

General Complaint Procedure

It is the intent of the Board that complaints, concerns and suggestions be addressed and/or resolved at the lowest appropriate level.

At all levels of this procedure, district employees shall make a determination as to whether the complaint should proceed as outlined in this policy or if the complaint should be submitted through a specialized complaint process addressed in a separate Board policy, district procedure or administrative regulation that is directly related to the nature of the complaint.

General complaints about Board policy and district procedures, programs, personnel, operations and facilities shall begin with an informal, direct discussion between the complainant and district employee who is most directly involved.

The employee shall attempt to provide a reasonable explanation or take appropriate action within the employee's authority. The employee shall report the matter and the resolution to the building principal or immediate supervisor.

When an informal discussion fails to resolve the complaint, the following procedure shall be used.

First Level - If a satisfactory resolution is not achieved by discussion with the employee, the complainant shall submit a written complaint to the building principal or designee and a conference shall be scheduled with the complainant. The written complaint shall include the contact information of the person or group filing the complaint, the specific nature of the complaint, a brief statement of relevant facts, how the complainant has been affected adversely, and the action requested. The building principal or designee shall provide a written response to the complainant.

Second Level - If a satisfactory resolution is not achieved through a conference with the building principal or designee, the complaint shall be referred to the Superintendent or designee. The Superintendent or designee shall review the complaint and may schedule a conference with the complainant. The Superintendent or designee shall provide a written response to the complainant.

Third Level - If a satisfactory resolution is not achieved through referral to the Superintendent or designee or if resolution of the complaint is beyond his/her authority and requires Board action, the Superintendent or designee shall refer the complaint to the Board.

The Board, after reviewing all information relative to the complaint, shall provide the complainant with its written response. The Board may, at its discretion, grant a hearing before the Board or a committee of the Board. If a hearing is granted, the complainant shall be advised of the Board's response, in writing, no more than thirty (30) days following the hearing.

Any requests, suggestions or complaints first directed to individual Board members and/or the Board shall be referred to the Superintendent for consideration, investigation and action. If further action is warranted, based on the initial investigation, such action shall be in accordance with the procedures outlined above.

Complaint Procedure for Federal Programs

Complaints alleging violations of law in the district's administration of federally-funded programs shall be processed in accordance with the following procedure.[\[1\]](#)

The complainant shall submit a written, signed statement to the district's administration office that includes:

1. Contact information of the individual or organization filing the complaint.
2. Alleged federal program violation.
3. Facts supporting the alleged violation.

4. Supporting documentation, such as information on discussions, correspondence or meetings with district staff regarding the complaint.

District staff shall forward complaints to the district administrator responsible for federal programs, who will notify the Superintendent and acknowledge receipt of the complaint in writing.

The district administrator responsible for federal programs shall conduct an independent investigation, which may include, but not be limited to:

1. On-site visit to the building that is the subject of the complaint.
2. Opportunity to present evidence by all individuals and/or organizations involved.
3. Opportunity for participants to ask questions of each other and witnesses.

When the investigation is completed, the district administrator responsible for federal programs shall prepare a written report with a recommendation for resolving the complaint. The report shall include:

1. Name of the individual or organization filing the complaint.
2. Nature of the complaint.
3. Summary of the investigation.
4. Recommended resolution.
5. Reasons for the recommended resolution.

The district administrator responsible for federal programs shall submit the written report to the Superintendent, who will determine whether further investigation is required and/or the district's final response.

All individuals and/or organizations making the complaint or that are the subject of the complaint shall be notified of the resolution of the complaint by the Superintendent or designee.

The district administrator responsible for federal programs shall ensure that the resolution of the complaint is implemented.

The time period between receipt and resolution of a complaint shall not exceed sixty (60) calendar days, unless circumstances require additional time.

The complainant may appeal the final resolution to the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

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[1] 20 U.S.C. 7844
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[2] 24 P.S. 510.2
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Purpose

It is the policy of the Board that school district officials and municipal officials maintain a close and harmonious association. Such liaison is requisite for dealing with school/community concerns and issues in **an efficient** manner while assuring prudent expenditure of tax dollars.

Authority

The Board recognizes that its authority derives directly from the General Assembly, but it also is aware that the municipality and the school district must work together for the welfare of the residents.^[1]

The Board, as an independent body, has no statutory relationship to other local governmental bodies. However, the Board may cooperate with local government units and other appropriate organizations in matters that affect district responsibilities. Such organizations may include, but not be limited to, health agencies, public libraries, museums, **law enforcement agencies** and fire departments, township supervisors, borough council, planning commissions and the courts.

In matters affecting the budgets of such agencies, the Board shall neither seek special consideration nor assume costs that properly fall outside its jurisdiction, except as prescribed by law.

The Board advocates joint expenditures of district and municipal or county funds to provide facilities from which the entire community may derive benefits. In accordance with this policy, the Board may, as either opportunity or need arises, and as it is entitled to do by law, enter into joint action agreements with the local municipal governing body in acquiring or leasing, improving, equipping, operating or maintaining such jointly used facilities.[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)[\[4\]](#)[\[5\]](#)[\[6\]](#)

Delegation of Responsibility

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The Superintendent and each **law enforcement agency** that has jurisdiction over school property shall enter into, and update on a biennial basis, a memorandum of understanding, which shall be developed and executed in accordance with state law and regulations.[\[7\]](#)[\[8\]](#)[\[9\]](#)[\[10\]](#)

To maintain cooperation with the municipality for fiscal and facilities planning, the

{ [X](#) } Board or its member representative

{ [X](#) } Superintendent or designee

{ } Board Secretary

{ } Business Manager

will meet periodically with municipal officials to discuss issues of common interest.

{ } The public library can and should play an important role in the intellectual and educational development of district students, serving as a resource to reinforce and augment the school library and provide services and materials that may go beyond those which the school library can provide. To help achieve this end, the school district shall [may](#) provide financial support for the local library.

NOTES:

Intergovernmental Cooperation – 53 Pa. C.S.A. 2301 et seq.

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[1] PA Const. Art. III Sec. 14 LEGAL REFERENCE	[2] 24 P.S. 502 LEGAL REFERENCE
[3] 24 P.S. 521 LEGAL REFERENCE	[4] 24 P.S. 706 LEGAL REFERENCE
[5] 24 P.S. 775 LEGAL REFERENCE	[6] 24 P.S. 790 LEGAL REFERENCE
[7] 24 P.S. 1306.2-B LEGAL REFERENCE	[8] 24 P.S. 1319-B LEGAL REFERENCE
[9] 22 PA Code 10.11 LEGAL REFERENCE	[10] Pol. 805.1 — Relations With Law Enforcement Agencies POLICY REFERENCE

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BOARD POLICY

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Purpose

Representatives of the local and national press, radio and TV are an important link in communications between school and community. Maintenance of good working relationships with media representatives is essential to meeting the objectives of the school-community relations program.

Authority

The Board shall have final approval for all procedures regarding relations between the news media and the district.

The Board reserves the right to negotiate for radio broadcasting, televising, filming, or sound recording of any school event by an outside agency. These rights, if sold, shall be contracted under conditions that bring the most favorable terms to the school district.

Delegation of Responsibility

The chief communications representative for the Board shall be the Superintendent.

The communications representative shall be responsible to:

1. Be readily available to media representatives.
2. Keep media representatives informed of all aspects of the school district so that reporting will be done on the basis of a complete and valid overview.
3. Submit and suggest feature stories or articles of interest or relevance.
4. Assist district staff with media relations.
5. Assist various school-related groups in their relations with the news media.
6. Assist the Board in preparing regular and special publications for the public.

Guidelines

Staff members shall not give school information or interviews requested by news media representatives without prior approval of the district's communications representative.

~~Students shall not be permitted to give school information or interviews requested by news media representatives without prior approval of the district's communications representative.~~

Submission of photographs to news media and permission for news media representatives to photograph district subjects, personnel, or students shall be authorized by the communications representative and the individuals involved or their parents/guardians.

Photographs of a controversial nature, or that are questionable with regard to individual rights of privacy, shall not be sanctioned.



BOARD POLICY

913 Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals

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NOTE: It is important to distinguish that Policy 913 only applies to requests from nonschool organizations, groups and individuals; in contrast,

- *Requests from students to personally disseminate materials shall be governed by Policy 220. Student Expression/Dissemination of Materials. [\[1\]](#)*
- *Requests from nonschool organizations, groups and individuals involving activities or school-related information and materials that are integrated with or presented as a part of the district's curriculum or an approved school event or student organization shall be approved and governed by Board policies related to curriculum and student activities. [\[2\]](#) [\[3\]](#) [\[4\]](#)*

Purpose

The Board recognizes that nonschool organizations, groups and individuals may wish to utilize the district and its resources as a means to engage the school community in activities and/or to disseminate nonschool materials. The Board directs that requests for such utilization from nonschool organizations, groups or individuals shall be governed by this policy.

Authority

The Board or its designees reserves the right to prohibits nonschool organizations, groups or individuals from utilizing the district or any district resources to engage the school community in any way, including the dissemination of nonschool materials.

Legal Footnotes

[1] Pol. 220 — Student Expression/Dissemination of Materials
POLICY REFERENCE

[2] Pol. 105 — Curriculum
POLICY REFERENCE

[3] Pol. 122 — Extracurricular Activities
POLICY REFERENCE

[4] Pol. 230 — Public Performances by Students
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BOARD POLICY

915 Booster Organizations

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Authority

Purpose and Function of Booster Clubs

A **booster club** is defined as an organization that is formed to help support the efforts of a sports team or organization. Support is shown in many ways, including volunteering time, raising money, and contributing funds to better enhance the team or organization's performance.

Another definition is a **booster club** provides enthusiastic support of a team or organization. This type of support is much like emotional or psychological parental support, but is given in a collective manner. Booster clubs may play a key role in supporting Riverview activities in many ways, and we are very thankful for the positive contributions booster clubs will provide to our programs.

Booster clubs may raise money by printing promotional items like team schedules, programs, and team yearbooks. Booster clubs can financially support the program by providing additional funding for events, such as pre- or post-game dinners or social events during the season. Booster clubs may perform, meet, or organize in any way, in accordance with the above stated definition, that supports or boosts the program they are formed to support.

It is the charge of the principal and the Athletic Director at Riverview Junior-Senior High School to ensure that booster clubs operate within their defined parameters.

Booster groups can also include any parental or alumni support group that provides services, funds, and/or equipment for a school district-sponsored program in nonathletic domains such as academics, interscholastic cocurricular and extracurricular programs, and home and school associations.

Recognition

Booster groups shall apply for recognition from the Board. A booster group, in order to be recognized, must conduct its activities in a manner that is consistent with the philosophy, mission and objectives of the district. A booster group, in order to gain recognition of the Board, must comply with the following guidelines:

1. Present to the Board a list of its officers and a set of bylaws or similar rules governing the activities of the organization. The bylaws or similar rules must be consistent with the philosophy, mission and policy of the district.
2. Agree that it will comply with all district policies relating to booster groups, as well as with the P.I.A.A. and W.P.I.A.L. rules and regulations, and any other governing body regulating the activity which the booster group is organized to support.
3. Comply with any other guidelines which the Board may adopt from time to time relevant to the booster groups.
4. Comply with all relevant state and federal laws.
- 5.
6. Adhere to District operating system for registration and processing of Clearances, Budgetary Outlines, and Forms, as well as other items created as needed.
- 7.

Only those booster groups that have received recognition by the Board shall be eligible to work with the respective district activity which it is sponsoring and receive the district's cooperation and assistance in its activities. Only recognized groups may use the Riverview School District name, logo (or likeness, whether past or present), or other indication of affiliation.

Consent for such use must be provided by the school district administration.

Continued Recognition

In order for a booster group to receive continued recognition by the school district, that group, upon request by the Superintendent or the Board, must:

1. Annually submit a plan of activities, a list of officers, and a proposed budget. The plan shall, at a minimum, outline the proposed fundraising activities, the specific purposes of the fundraising activities, and any other major expenditures.
2. File an annual accounting of expenditures for the prior year. This report shall be filed with the Superintendent or designee.
3. Rollover all funds from year to year.

For the purposes of this section, **year** shall mean the school year commencing July 1 and continuing to June 30 of the following year. The information provided to the district pursuant to this provision will eliminate duplication of services, as well as enhance the operations of the sponsored activity.

Fundraising

Booster groups are connected with the Riverview School District for the purpose of providing ancillary money and/or services to school teams or other school-sponsored activities. If an organization or team associated with the Riverview School District has funds allocated in the district's annual budget, the Board will not entertain any requests for additional funding.

Fundraising activities by booster groups shall be approved by the building principal and Superintendent. Fundraising shall only be approved for the types of activities set forth herein and only if the booster group is in compliance with all of the requirements of this policy. Permissible fundraising activities shall be for the following purposes:

1. Supplement equipment, supplies and programs for individual schools with the advice and approval of the Superintendent or designee.

2. Supplement equipment, supplies and programs for the various interscholastic cocurricular and extracurricular athletic programs within the school district with the advice and approval of the Superintendent or designee.
3. Support district student scholarships.
4. Supplement the school libraries with books, magazines, computer and other library materials approved by the building principal.
5. Provide assembly programs for the student body.
6. Provide for programs, admission fees or other costs on an as-needed basis to children to take part in field trips and other school-related activities.
7. Support staff recognition activities or related special occasions.
8. Support in-school student social and/or holiday activities.
9. Provide financial support for ancillary groups which are related to the major activity of the booster group.
10. Provide other types of activities with approval of the Superintendent.

Student Participation in Fundraising

Students will not be permitted to participate in any fundraising activities unless they are in compliance with the following requirements:

1. The booster group has been recognized by the district.
2. The fundraising activity has been approved as required by the provisions of this policy.
3. The booster group is in compliance with, and has abided by, all the rules, regulations and policies of the district relating to booster groups and fundraising activities.
4. There are no restrictions on the participation of any student in the activities of the booster group or benefits of the booster group (i.e., banquets) if that student does not achieve a certain fundraising goal.

5. If, for any reason, a trip is cancelled, no money may be refunded to individual students or their parents/guardians unless the money paid by parent/guardian was to be used specifically for the purpose of paying for the trip.

Local Option Small Games of Chance Act

Small games of chance or lotteries shall not be permitted, except as expressly outlined below, and as permitted by the Pennsylvania Small Games of Chance Act. In order for a booster group to conduct small games of chance, the following must occur: [\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)

1. The booster group must be recognized by the Board. In order to achieve such, recognition must be in full compliance with all the provisions of this policy.
2. The group is responsible for remaining in compliance with applicable laws and regulations as to permit approval.

Violation

Booster groups that violate this policy, in the sole discretion of the Board, may have their recognition revoked or suspended by the Board.

Chain of Command

Concerns/Issues of members of booster groups should first be directed through the coach or activity sponsor, next to the Athletic Director, then to the respective building principal, and finally to the Superintendent.

Legal Footnotes

[1] 10 P.S. 328.101 et seq
LEGAL REFERENCE

[2] 61 PA Code 901.701
LEGAL REFERENCE

Agenda of Study Session Meeting

The Board of Trustees Riverview School District

A Study Session Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Riverview School District will be held Monday, September 14, 2026, beginning at 7:00 PM JR SR High School Library, 100 Hulton Road, Oakmont, PA 15139.

1. Opening of Meeting

Description: Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Verner Elementary Students:

Anna Rometo - Grade 6

Aleena Rometa - Grade 4

Jax Yost - Grade 1

2. Board Comments

Description: A. President's Remarks

B. Superintendent's Remarks

3. Presentations

Speaker(s): Superintendent

Description: a. Draw Collective — Construction Update

b. State of the District — Dr. Neil English

c. Emergency Closure Discussion — Friday Sept. 4, 2026

4. Hearing of Citizens - Agenda Items Only

Description:

Guidelines for Public Comments and Questions on Agenda Items:

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5. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting — Business/Finance

Speaker(s): Director of Finance & Operations

Description: a. Pay App #3 to S & T Plumbing for cafeteria work in the amount of \$25,605.00

b. Pay App #3 to Merit Electrical Group for cafeteria work in the amount of \$78,480.00

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\$78,132.91

d. Payment of Invoice #01038494 to Professional Service Industries (PSI) for Asbestos Final Airs, Asbestos Bulk Sampling, and TEM analysis for Project #08166510-2 in the amount of \$1,285.00

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f. Draw Collective professional invoice (S18-25-02-04) for Project S18-25-02 for JRSR High School Additions 2026 in the amount of \$30,000.00

g. Draw Collective professional invoice (S18-25-02-05) for Project S18-25-02 JRSR High School Additions 2026 in the amount of \$27,737.25

h. Approval of quote from Huckestein Mechanical, COSTARS Vendor, for Capital Purchase for Supply and Install new Hot Water Tank and Expansion Tank for Verner Elementary in the amount of \$18,424.38

i. Change Order GC001 decreases in the amount of \$91,495.68 for work by Graham Construction

j. Change Order GC002 increase in the amount of \$2,484.00 for work by Graham Construction

k. Change Order GC003 decreases in the amount of \$10,396.34 for work by Graham Construction

l. Change Order GC004 increase in the amount of \$3,486.26 for work by Graham Construction

m. Change Order Request 509-COR-001 from S & T Plumbing in the amount of \$1,717.79 for JRSR High School Kitchen Equipment and installation

n. Great Lakes Cafeteria Equipment - Costars/Capital invoice 007942 in the amount of \$91,509.00

6. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting — Agreements/Contracts/Resolutions

Speaker(s): Director of Finance & Operations, Superintendent

Description: a. Accept a Proposal and Contract from Pittsburgh Fire Sprinkler to conduct a flow test of the existing water line, at the recommendation of Draw Collective, in the amount of \$1,500.00 as part of the safety review for the JRSR High School additions pre-test evaluation

b. Agreement between Riverview School District and YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh for the renewal of the lease for the 2026-2027 school year for the After-School Care Program

c. Resolutions: Small Games of Chance — RMBA Music Boosters (R2627-001) & Tenth Street Elementary PTO (R2627-002)

7. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting — Board Governance/Regulations

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: a. Confidential Student Agreement (CSA2627-001) with Phase IV Learning Center

b. Board Policy Review: First Reading

- 102 Academic Standards
- 105 Curriculum
- 204.1 Virtual Attendance & Wellness Checks
- 209 Health Examinations/Screenings
- 246 School Wellness
- 249 Bullying/Cyberbullying
- 704 Maintenance
- 803 Calendar
- 822 AED/CPR
- 903 Public Comment at Board Meetings
- 904 Public Attendance at School Events
- 905 Citizen Advisory Committees
- 906 Public Complaints
- 909 Municipal Government Relations
- 911 News Media Relations
- 913 Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals
- 915 Booster Organizations
- c. MOU2627-001 and MOU2627-002 Agreement with both Oakmont and Verona Police Departments

7.A. PSBA Voting Election

Description: a. PSBA Officer Election

8. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting - Personnel

Speaker(s): Superintendent

Description: a. New Hires: Paraprofessional

b. Individuals as Precision Substitutes for the 2026–2027 school year: Teachers, Paras, Custodians

c. Supplements: Athletic Coaches, Volunteer Coaches, Event workers

d. REA Supplements for 2026-2027 school year:

- Musical Team
- Gay/Straight Alliance
- Spanish Club
- Key Club
- Ecology Club
- HS Student Store Manager
- Inclusive Leaders Club
- Civic Engagement Committee
- French Club

e. Employee #12176 Unpaid request: [October 16th, 19th and 20th].

9. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting — Student Life

Speaker(s): Superintendent

Description: a. RHS Music Field Trip

- b. Riverview XC Team to attend the Bulldog Stampede Invitational in Alden, NY, October 9, 2026–October 10, 2026. Alternate event if needed: Dirty Dog Invitational — Harbor Creek, PA, same dates.
- c. Approve Budgetary Outlines for Student Activities Groups
 - French Club
 - Jr. High Student Council
 - RHS Musical
 - JRSR HS Art Club
 - RHS Yearbook
 - History Club
 - Model UN
- d. Booster Budgetary Outline for the 2026-2027 school year:
 - Verner PTO
 - Riverview Music Boosters Association
 - Riverview JRSR High PTO
 - Tenth Street Elementary PTO
 - Varsity Football — update/addition to RABA umbrella
 - Varsity Soccer — update/addition to RABA umbrella

10. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting - Education

Speaker(s): Superintendent

Description: a. Approve the 2026-2027 Title I Schoolwide Application for Verner Elementary School

11. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting - Board Meeting Minutes

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Study Session Meeting August 3, 2026

Regular Voting Meeting August 10, 2026

12. Hearing of Citizens

Description:

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13. Board Member Comments

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Board Comments

14. Adjournment

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Adjourn the Meeting

Study Session Meeting
Monday, September 14, 2026 7:00 PM Eastern

JR SR High School Library
100 Hulton Road
Oakmont, PA 15139

1. Opening of Meeting

2. Board Comments

- The meeting opened with Verner Elementary students leading the Pledge of Allegiance and a welcome back for the new school year.

3. Presentations

- Draw Collective presented the 100% schematic design for the junior/senior high school project and outlined the upcoming design development phase.
- The board discussed how best to provide deeper oversight of the construction project, moving from a broad stakeholder ad hoc concept toward a smaller Buildings & Grounds-style committee with targeted stakeholder input.
- Dr. English presented the State of the District, covering academics, safety and security, technology, climate and culture, college/career readiness, facilities, communications, finances, and student life.
- The board discussed the delayed cafeteria project, food availability, athletic field constraints, student board representatives, and several items slated for the next voting meeting.

1. Construction / Draw Collective Update

- Gateway Engineers was brought on as civil engineer, land surveyor, and geotechnical engineer. Site surveying was completed and the final survey document was being prepared.
- Draw Collective completed the schematic design package and presented the 100% schematic design. A new probable-cost estimate was deferred until design development provides foundation and geotechnical information.
- Existing conditions were documented through field measurements and a Matterport 3D scan.
- The LGI design was revised to use more efficient telescopic bleachers, targeting approximately 500 seats. The stage was enlarged for band and choral performances and improved sight lines.
- Structural grid work caused some room shifts, but the overall building footprint and square footage were reported as unchanged.
- Mechanical, electrical, plumbing, structural narratives, life-safety review, roof concepts, utility logistics, and exterior elevations are underway. A generator move and additional gas service were identified as site needs.
- The requested next step is design development, with board approval anticipated at the September 21 voting meeting. Land survey completion and geotechnical drilling were expected shortly thereafter.
- Design development will include core-team/stakeholder meetings on access control, security, glass, card readers, furniture/casework, MEP systems, finishes, and other detailed decisions. IT and the security resource officer are among the stakeholder groups.
- Updated plans, renderings, and finish selections were targeted for the October 5 board meeting, while the full design-development phase was expected to continue through the end of October.

- Draw Collective emphasized the importance of staying on schedule for spring bidding because missing that window could increase costs or push bidding to the following fall.

Construction Oversight Discussion

- A proposal was raised for an ad hoc committee with board, administration, parent, student, and community representation.
- Board discussion focused on committee size, continuity over a multi-year project, the board's governance role, public transparency, and whether a large committee would become unwieldy.
- Draw Collective described a more typical Buildings & Grounds committee model: a small number of board members meeting regularly with administration and project professionals, with broader public/stakeholder input used at appropriate design stages.
- The discussion appeared to coalesce around a smaller Buildings & Grounds-style structure, particularly during the next two months of design development, cost estimating, and finish selection.

2. State of the District

District Performance and Demographics

- The presentation framed Riverview as a high-performing small district, citing strong standardized-test performance, regional/state rankings, AP performance, and performance relative to district spending.
- AP results were reported at 91% of participating students scoring 3 or higher.
- Enrollment figures presented were approximately 449 students at the junior/senior high school, 396 at one elementary building, and 167 at the other, as of September 3.
- Special education enrollment was described as approximately 19%, and roughly one-third of district students were described as below the poverty line.
- The district reported 151 staff members and many years of clean financial audits.

Safety, Security, and Facilities

- Recent work included arm guards, emergency operations planning, two-way radio upgrades, tighter visitor systems, classroom safety blinds, fence repairs, HVAC control improvements, and planned first-floor ballistic glass at Verner.
- Upcoming priorities include classroom go-kits, clearer emergency chain of command, hallway/room identification flags, re-keying, and continued multi-year safety/security planning.
- Technology will support camera mapping and other safety/security work.

Technology

- The district described the technology department as fully operational with clearer responsibility for areas such as PIMS and infrastructure, faster response when systems break, greater accessibility, and coverage in every building.
- The PowerSchool transition remains a major current initiative.
- The district wants to move beginning-of-year forms and related workflows toward fully digital processes through the new student information system.

- Later board comments specifically praised the IT team for the summer workload, automation efforts, troubleshooting, and helping move staff and families into new processes.

Academic Excellence

- The district reported stronger standards alignment in ELA, math, science, and social studies, along with updated primary instructional resources.
- Most curriculum writing was expected to be completed by the end of October, with published curricula for elementary ELA/math/science and most high school classes.
- ELA performance and growth were described positively overall, while seventh/eighth-grade ELA and eighth-grade performance were identified as areas requiring continued attention.
- The administration emphasized using multiple data points, including PSSA, PVAAS, and i-Ready, rather than relying on a single measure.
- i-Ready was described as useful for frequent diagnostic information, individualized lesson pathways, grouping students, and measuring growth. Alternatives are being explored for higher-performing junior-high students for whom i-Ready may be less meaningful.
- Board discussion included possible summer access, enrichment, or incentives to reduce summer slide and support students entering eighth grade.

Climate, Culture, Communications, and Student Life

- Parent and staff survey results were described as strongly positive overall, particularly around pride, academic programming, accessibility, and school climate.
- Board members suggested adding a neutral response option to future parent surveys and keeping mobile readability in mind for district communications.
- Food services and non-classroom spaces were identified as areas with room for improvement.
- The district is exploring an on-site after-school option at Verner; discussion noted that a prior YMCA model depended on reaching a minimum family participation level.
- Counseling communications and grade-specific newsletters received strong praise from board members.
- The district continues to expand dual-credit opportunities and college/career connections, including work-related experiences and college-credit options.

Athletics / Stadium Lights

- Field lights were delayed in manufacturing. The October 2 light-up event was expected to be moved, while the district hoped the lights would be available by homecoming on October 16.
- The board and public discussed the need to update signage and reschedule the recognition/commemoration associated with the lighting project.

3. Emergency Closure

- Administration reviewed the recent storm-related emergency closure. The recommendation was not to make up the day because the district has sufficient instructional-hour flexibility and could not reasonably move online during the emergency.
- The district credited local police and fire departments for providing timely information and noted that, despite significant property and cleanup impacts, no injuries were reported in the discussion.

4. Hearing of Citizens - Agenda Items Only

Citizens Present:

Les Leasure - 303 Cantebury, Oakmont

Paula Tomlinson - 234 Third St., Oakmont

Sylvia Sullivan - 139 Oak Meadow, Oakmont

- Public comments praised student participation in the meeting, the technology department, PTO collaboration, the open-house format, athletic improvements, and the phone-ban implementation.
- Concerns included cafeteria delays and meal options, athletic field conditions/availability, and the need to update the light-up-night signage/date.

5. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting — Business/Finance

- The finance/operations report presented multiple cafeteria-project pay applications, professional-services invoices, Draw Collective invoices, a Verner hot-water-tank/expansion-tank purchase, construction change orders, plumbing work, and cafeteria equipment costs for consideration at the voting meeting.
- Board discussion focused on the net impact of cafeteria change orders, project delays, asbestos-related work, contractor responsiveness, remaining work, and when full food-service operations will resume.
- Administration stated that the contractual project end date was September 18 and planned a detailed update after the next construction meeting.
- A concern was raised that hot lunch may be running low for later lunch periods. Administration said this was the first report they had received and committed to follow up immediately.
- The board also asked for clarification on Draw Collective mileage/travel reimbursement provisions.

6. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting — Agreements/Contracts/Resolutions

7. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting — Board Governance/Regulations

- Governance items included a confidential student agreement, first readings of multiple board policies, and amended MOUs with the Oakmont and Verona Police Departments due to a change in law.

7.A. PSBA Voting Election

- The board reviewed the PSBA officer election process and candidate slate.

8. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting - Personnel

- Personnel items for the next voting meeting included a paraprofessional hire, substitutes, coaches/volunteers, supplemental music positions, updated REA postings, and an unpaid leave request. Item 8C was requested to be pulled for a separate vote.

9. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting — Student Life

- Student-life items included an Allegheny County chorus trip, cross-country overnight trip, budgets/outlines for several student clubs and organizations, PTOs, music boosters, and RAB updates for varsity football and soccer. Item 9D was requested to be pulled for a separate vote.

10. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting - Education

- The annual Verner Schoolwide Plan was presented as the Title I item requiring yearly board review and approval.

11. Discussion/Review of Potential Motions for Approval for Voting Meeting - Board Meeting Minutes

- August 3 study-session and August 10 voting-meeting minutes were presented for review.

12. Hearing of Citizens

13. Board Member Comments

- Student board representatives were discussed. The working concept was one junior and one senior, with students applying by resume. Attendance at voting meetings was viewed as the most important commitment. An October 15 application deadline was discussed.
- Board members again praised counseling and IT for rapid improvements and summer implementation work.
- A mobile-first approach was suggested for future newsletters and infographics.
- The old athletics website still needs a redirect or prominent notice pointing users to the new Bound site.
- A broader facilities discussion was raised around acquiring or developing a district-controlled full-size practice field, potentially turf, because current teams depend heavily on borough/other fields and face weather, maintenance, scheduling, and size limitations. Possible grants or partnerships were mentioned as avenues to explore.

● Follow-Up / Action Items

Follow-up	Owner / Area	Timing / Note
Consider approval to enter design development and determine the preferred Buildings & Grounds / oversight structure.	Board / Administration	Next voting meeting and upcoming design-development period
Complete land survey and proceed with geotechnical drilling.	Gateway Engineers / Draw Collective	Near term
Prepare updated plans, renderings, finish selections, and later third-party cost estimate.	Draw Collective	October meetings / end of design development
Follow up on cafeteria construction progress and provide a detailed status update.	Administration / Finance & Operations	After construction meeting

Follow-up	Owner / Area	Timing / Note
Verify adequate hot-lunch quantities for later lunch periods.	Administration / Food Service	Immediate
Clarify mileage versus travel reimbursement under the Draw Collective contract.	Finance & Operations	Before/at voting meeting
Update/reschedule light-up-night communications and signage.	Administration / Athletics	Before revised event
Continue PowerSchool transition and move beginning-of-year forms toward digital workflows.	Technology / Administration	Ongoing
Explore i-Ready alternatives for higher-level junior-high students and possible summer learning access/incentives.	Curriculum / Administration	Future planning
Improve mobile readability of counseling/district communications.	Administration / Communications	Future publications
Resolve old athletics website redirect to the Bound site.	Technology / Athletics	Follow-up
Develop student-board-representative application process.	Board / Administration	Discussed deadline: October 15
Explore feasibility, sites, partnerships, and grants for a district-controlled practice field.	Board / Administration / Facilities	Future facilities planning

Items Specifically Flagged for Separate Voting

- Personnel item 8C.
- Student Life item 9D.

14. Adjournment

Adjourned by Ms. Chaparro and Ms. Seery

Agenda of Regular Voting Meeting

The Board of Trustees Riverview School District

A Regular Voting Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Riverview School District will be held Monday, September 21, 2026, beginning at 7:00 PM JR SR High School Library, 100 Hulton Road, Oakmont, PA 15139.

1. Opening of Meeting

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: a. Call to Order

b. Pledge of Allegiance

c. Roll Call

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

3. Approval of Treasurer's Report

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Motion for approval of the Treasurer's Report as presented:

1. General Fund - August 2026

2. Athletic Fund — August 2026

3. Food Service Fund - August 2026

4. Capital Improvement Fund — August 2026

5. Student Activities Fund - August 2026

6. PA Municipal Real Estate Collections — August 2026

7. MBM - Delinquent Real Estate Collections — August 2026

8. Keystone Collections — Earned Income & Local Service Tax Collections — August 2026

9. General Fund - Approval of Bills - Fund 10—August 2026

4. President's Remarks

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Remarks from the President

5. Hearing of Citizens - Agenda Items Only

Description:

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6. Motions for Approval — Finance

Speaker(s): Mr. Conard

Description: Approval of Business and Finance Items: Financials

- a. Pay App #3 to S & T Plumbing for cafeteria work in the amount of \$25,605.00
- b. Pay App #3 to Merit Electrical Group for cafeteria work in the amount of \$78,480.00
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Speaker(s): Mr. Conard

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- b. Agreement between Riverview School District and YMCA of Greater Pittsburgh for the renewal of the lease for the 2026-2027 school year for the After-School Care Program
- c. Resolution R2627-001 identifies Riverview Music Booster Association (RMBA) as a civic and service association within the definitions contained in the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, Act 1995 of 1990, as amended, established to promote and encourage participation and support for extracurricular activities in the Riverview School District.
- d. Resolution R2627-002 identifies Tenth Street Elementary PTO as a civic and service association within the definitions contained in the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, Act 1995 of 1990, as amended, established to promote and encourage participation and support for extracurricular activities in the Riverview School District.

8. Motions for Approval - Capital Purchases & Misc. Finance Items

Speaker(s): Mr. Conard

Description: Approval of Business and Finance Items: Capital Purchases & Misc. Finance Items

- a. Draw Collective professional invoice (S18-25-01-07) for Project S18-25-01 for Capital

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b. . Draw Collective professional invoice (S18-25-02-04) for Project S18-25-02 for JRSR High School Additions 2026 in the amount of \$30,000.00

c. . Draw Collective professional invoice (S18-25-02-05) for Project S18-25-02 JRSR High School Additions 2026 in the amount of \$27,737.25

d. . Approval of quote from Huckestein Mechanical, COSTARS Vendor, for Capital Purchase for Supply and Install new Hot Water Tank and Expansion Tank for Verner Elementary in the amount of \$18,424.38

e. Great Lakes Cafeteria Equipment - Costars/Capital invoice 007942 in the amount of \$91,509.00

f. Great Lakes Cafeteria Equipment Purchase - Costars/Quote 31754 in the amount of \$6,653.00

g. Magic Designs Quote for office configuration Capital Purchase in the amount of \$9,265.00

9. Motions for Approval Board Governance: Board Policy Review

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Approval of Board Governance Items: Board Policy Review First Reading as listed:

- 102 Academic Standards
- 105 Curriculum
- 204.1 Virtual Attendance & Wellness Checks
- 209 Health Examination Screenings
- 246 School Wellness
- 249 Bullying/Cyberbullying
- 704 Maintenance
- 803 School Calendar
- 822 AED/CPR
- 903 Public Comment at Board Meetings
- 904 Public Attendance at School Events
- 905 Citizen Advisory Committee
- 906 Public Complaints
- 909 Municipal Government Relations
- 911 News Media Relations
- 913 Nonschool Organizations/Groups/Individuals
- 915 Booster Organizations

10. Motions for Approval Board Governance — Budgetary Outlines & Misc. Items

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Approval of Board Governance Items: Budgetary Outlines & Misc. Items listed A through D are:

a. Confidential Student Agreement (CSA2627-001) with Phase IV Learning Center

b. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding MOU2627-001 between Riverview School District and the Oakmont Police Department

c. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding MOU2627-002 between Riverview School

District and the Verona Police Department

d. Approval of the following as Riverview School District Booster Organizations for the 2026-2027 school year, According to RSD Policy 915, pending receipt of any additional certification requirements, as listed:

- Verner PTO
- Riverview Music Boosters Association
- Riverview JRSR High School PTO
- Tenth Street Elementary PTO
- Riverview Girls Basketball Boosters

10.A. Motions for Approval Board Governance - Budgetary Outlines & Misc.

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Motions for Approval Board Governance - Budgetary Outlines & Misc.

a. Approval of the following as Riverview School District Booster Organizations for the 2026-2027 school year, according to RSD Policy 915, pending receipt of any additional certification requirements, as listed:

- Varsity Football - update/addition to RABA umbrella
- Varsity Soccer - update/addition to RABA umbrella

10.B. Motions for Approval Board Governance - PSBA Voting

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Motions for Approval Board Governance - PSBA Voting

a. PSBA Officer Election Vote

2026 PSBA Officer Elections

Section: **W-3, W-4**

Unofficial Ballot - For entity use only

2027 President-elect (one-year term)

_____ **Matt Vannoy* (Sharon City School District)**

2027 Vice President (one-year term)

_____ **Kristy Bolte* (Northwestern School District)**

2027-2029 Treasurer (three-year term)

_____ **David Hein* (Parkland School District)**

*Any slated candidate that demonstrates exceptional leadership at the local and state level shall be considered for "endorsement" by the Nominating Committee and the determination shall be noted on the slate of candidates. (PSBA Bylaws, Article IV and PSBA Policy & Procedures Manual - Policy 302)

PSBA Insurance Trustees (three-year term)

(Choose two)

_____ **Marianne L. Neel**

_____ **Dr. Michael Faccinetto**

11. **Motions for Approval: Personnel**

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Approval of Personnel Items: Employment A through D as listed:

a. Ms. Lizette Untalan, Part-time Paraprofessional, effective retroactive to August 17, 2026, with a sixty (60) working day probationary period at the compensation rate according to RSD/RESPA CBA pending clearance

Certification and health requirements

b. Individuals with Precision HR Solutions Inc. as substitutes for the 2026-2027 school year pending any certification and clearance requirements:

- Jamie Lydick - Teacher/Emergency Cert
- Daniel Satler - Teacher
- Rachelle Poth - Teacher
- Elijah Smith - Teacher/Emergency Cert
- Lawrence York - Teacher/Emergency Cert
- Gretchen Wiesner - Teacher/Emergency Cert
- Wendy Spohn - Teacher
- Eva McEachern - Paraprofessional
- Mya Spector - Nurse
- Keaira Panichella - Custodian

c. REA Supplement Positions for the 2026-2027 School Year:

- Musical Team
 - John Paul Bertucci - Director
 - Jamie Lydick - Producer
 - Mary Lynn Pleczkowski — Vocal Director & Vocal Coach
 - Gay/Straight Alliance — Mark Carlin
 - Spanish Club — Raila Adams
 - French Club — Rachel Lipko
 - Key Club — Mike MacConnell
 - Ecology Club — Mike MacConnell
 - HS Student Store Manager - Mike MacConnell
 - Inclusive Leaders Club — Mike MacConnell
 - Civic Engagement Committee — Ken Kubistek
- d. Unpaid leave according to Board Policy 339 for the following employees:
- Employee ID 12176, due to schedule before hire: October 16th, 19th, 20th.
 - Employee ID 8499, due to a family trip out of the country: October 1st & 2nd

12. **Motions for Approval: Personnel/Athletics**

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Approval of Personnel Items: Athletics (all coaches pending clearances and health requirements)

a. 9th Grade Boys Basketball: Shane Michael

b. Track & Field Coaches:

- Dave Ilnicki - Head Coach
- Barb Stuart - Asst. Coach
- Palma Ostrowski - Asst. Coach

c. Bocce Club: Stacey Galata Head Coach

d. Volunteer Coaches:

- Jerome Bell - Girls Basketball

12.A. Motions for Approval Personnel/Athletics

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Approval of Personnel Items: Event Workers (all event workers pending clearances and health requirements)

- Stacey Galata
- Jerome Bell
- Dean Berardinelli
- Bridget Federici
- Liz Morgans
- Bonnie Black
- Erin Schuetz

13. Motions for Approval — Student Life

Speaker(s): Mr. Smales

Description: Approval of Student Life Items:

- Riverview Cross Country Team to participate in the Bulldog Stampede Invitational in Alden, NY from October 9, 2026, to October 10, 2026. Alternate event if needed: Dirty Dog Invitational at Harbor Creek, Erie, PA, same dates under the direction of Mrs. Palma Ostrowski. The trip would follow guidelines as established in the Riverview School District Field Trip Policy #121, and the District would not incur any costs for the trip.
- Approval of the Riverview Music Department Field Trip to New York City from April 22, 2027, to April 24, 2027. The trip would follow guidelines as established in the Riverview School District Field Trip Policy #121, and costs will be split between the Riverview Music Booster Association and the High School Field Trip budget.
- Approval of Student Life Activities Groups Budgetary Outlines for the 2026-2027 school year:
 - French Club
 - JR.High Student Council
 - RHS Musical
 - JRSR Art Club
 - RHS Yearbook
 - History Club
 - Model UN

14. Motions for Approval - Education

Speaker(s): Ms. Metzger

Description: Approval of Education Items:

- Approve the 2026-2027 Title I Schoolwide Application for Verner Elementary

15. Hearing of Citizens

Description:

Guidelines for Public Comments and Questions on School Related Items

At each open Board meeting, prior to official action by the Board, an opportunity shall be provided for public comment in accordance with law and Board procedures and policy. As such, we move into the second hearing of citizens, which is designated for all school-related topics. If you would like to speak, please sign in, come up to the microphone, state your name and address, and please keep your comments to 3 minutes or less. Please keep in mind that the board does not typically respond to public comment, but rather takes the

hearing into consideration for future governance. Also, please realize that all comments and meetings are recorded.

Visitors are requested to state their name and address prior to comment.

A maximum time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker has been set.

16. Committee Reports

Description: A. Finance Committee Report

B. Education Committee Report

C. Safety Committee Report

D. Student Life Report

E. Policy Committee Report

F. PSBA Liaison Report

17. Delegate Reports:

Description: A. Communications & Marketing Delegate Report

B. Forbes Delegate Report

C. Legislative Delegate Report

D. Eastern Area Delegate Report

18. Solicitor's Report

Speaker(s): Falco Muscante

Description: Solicitor's Report:

19. Board Comments

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

20. Adjournment:

Speaker(s): President, Board of Directors

Description: Executive Session:

Regular Voting Meeting
Monday, September 21, 2026 7:00 PM Eastern

JR SR High School Library
100 Hulton Road
Oakmont, PA 15139

Jennifer Chaparro: Present
Christopher Conard: Present
Kareem Gahed: Present
Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Present
Adeshewa Metzger: Present
Antonio Paris: Present
Erin Schuetz: Present
Bridget Seery: Present
Michael Smales: Present
Present: 9.

1. Opening of Meeting

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve: 1. Study Session Meeting Minutes for August 3, 2026 2. Regular Voting Meeting Minutes for August 10, 2026. This motion, made by Bridget Seery and seconded by Erin Schuetz, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Erin Schuetz: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea, Michael Smales: Yea
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

3. Approval of Treasurer's Report

Motion for approval of the Treasurer's Report as presented. This motion, made by Leanne Jacobs-Rohan and seconded by Christopher Conard, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Erin Schuetz: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea, Michael Smales: Yea
Yea: 9, Nay: 0

Discussion included delinquent real-estate tax aging and collectibility, as well as the balance and activities of the Inclusive Leaders Club. The administration agreed to request an updated delinquent tax report.

Mr. Conard - is MBM able to provide a report showing the aging of the delinquent.

Ms. Lubert — yes, I have an older report but will ask for an updated

Mr. Conard is just curious about how much we think is collectible.

Ms. Lubert — it is significant, many years before hired collections

Ms. Chaparro — on the student activities balance report — does Inclusive hold anything they do?

Dr. English — they hold dances

Mr. Paris — they sell products and workshops

The balance is high. The outline will be in next month's meeting.

4. President's Remarks

The Board recognized September as Mental Health Awareness Month and thanked district counselors, administrators, staff, and students for supporting student mental health. Student participation in the Eradicate Hate Summit and district yoga opportunities were also noted. The Superintendent had no additional report.

5. Hearing of Citizens - Agenda Items Only

Citizens in attendance:

Paula Tomlinson - 234 Third St, Oakmont

Wendy Wilton - 682 Fourth St, Oakmont

Les Leasure - 303 Canterbury, Oakmont

Dimitri Hong - student (Civics class)

Chase Siburt - student (Civics class)

Michael Woodrow - student (Civics class)

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6. Motions for Approval — Finance

Motion: Motion to approve Business & Finance Items: Financials A through I as listed. This motion, made by Jennifer Chaparro and seconded by Bridget Seery, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Erin Schuetz: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea, Michael Smales: Yea

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

Mr. Paris - you updated us about travel on invoice, travel and mileage - were we reimbursing double.

Mr. Conard - that is for a different invoice - number 8

7. Motions for Approval — Contracts/Agreements/Resolutions:

Motion to Approve Business & Finance Items: Contracts/Agreements/Resolutions A through D as listed. This motion, made by Antonio Paris and seconded by Erin Schuetz, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Erin Schuetz: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea, Michael Smales: Yea

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

8. Motions for Approval - Capital Purchases & Misc. Finance Items

Motion to Approve Business & Finance Items: Capital Purchases & Misc. A through G as listed. This motion, made by Antonio Paris and seconded by Jennifer Chaparro, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Erin Schuetz: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea, Michael Smales: Yea

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

Discussion focused on Draw Collective mileage/travel charges and remaining cafeteria project work.

Administration will clarify the distinction between mileage and travel charges and whether employee reimbursement is duplicated. The Board also discussed project delays, remaining construction work, kitchen functionality, and continued pressure on contractors to complete the project.

Mr. Paris — question regarding the mileage/travel, are we paying twice? Draw collective invoices, specifically mileage/travel

Dr. English — it is mileage/travel for architects for work on site. None for board meetings.

Mr. Paris — more specific - if the travel is being expensed, is it their hourly rate and the mileage driven separate? And are they reimbursing their employees or are we? Usually the entity that is being represented is paying that out. So curious>

Dr. English asked about board meetings, so I was unclear and now that I have understanding will need to ask them.

Clarify — if mileage/travel are the same and/or if they are not the same, if they are being reimbursed through an employer already?

Mr. Conard — first invoice two line items for Rob's travel and mileage. What is the difference?

Mr. Paris — usually an employer and has a tax issue.

Mr. Smales - travel would be lodging and per diem, miles are just distance. Two line items, perhaps they get a per diem.

Ms. Seery — they are providing more detail and maybe in their effort to give more detail it may not be applicable.

Dr. English — will get more details.

Ms. Chaparro — quick question about the cafeteria — are we close to being done? More bills coming?

Ms. Lubert - Graham has not been billed for their work yet. The electrical/plumbing/HVAC are all on track. Graham is still waiting in the serving line, some doors, waiting for a number of items before they can bill.

Ms. Chaparro — hopefully in the last couple of weeks

Dr. English — big numbers coming

Ms. Chaparro — hoping for mid-October.

Mr. Gahed — or a discount reduction of missing timeline.

Not want to give a date.....relatively soon

The priority is full capacity for cooking.

9. Motions for Approval Board Governance: Board Policy Review

Motion to Approve Board Policy Review First Reading as listed. This motion, made by Bridget Seery and seconded by Adeshewa Metzger, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan:

Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Erin Schuetz: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea,

Michael Smales: Yea

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

10. Motions for Approval Board Governance — Budgetary Outlines & Misc. Items

Motion to approve Board Governance Budgetary Outlines and Misc. items A through D as listed. This motion, made by Jennifer Chaparro and seconded by Kareem Gahed, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan:

Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Erin Schuetz: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea,

Michael Smales: Yea

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

The Board also voted to add creation of an ad hoc committee for the current renovation project to the agenda, with the intent that the Policy Committee consider a future standing Buildings and Grounds committee. The proposed ad hoc committee would include a minimum of two and no more than four Board members, with administration participating as appropriate. The addition to the agenda was approved, no public comment was offered on the added item, and the item was subsequently approved with the other Item 10 matters. Board members interested in serving were to notify administration/Board leadership.

10.A. Motions for Approval Board Governance - Budgetary Outlines & Misc.

Motion to approve Board Governance Budgetary Outlines as listed. This motion, made by Bridget Seery and seconded by Leanne Jacobs-Rohan, Carried.

Erin Schuetz: Abstain (With Conflict), Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea, Michael Smales: Yea

Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

Mr. Gahed's a random question — football on Saturdays — how much money roughly? More than 3 digits — yes, more than 5.

a couple grand.

Ms. Lubert — it goes back into athletics and it all gets used.

Ms. Chaparro — now that there is a gate — is it locked now? Gate discussions.

10.B. Motions for Approval Board Governance - PSBA Voting

Motion to Approve Voting for PSBA Election. This motion, made by Leanne Jacobs-Rohan and seconded by Bridget Seery, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Erin Schuetz: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea, Michael Smales: Yea

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

discussion of how the vote process works as a whole

Ms. Chaparro - are there any concerns

Ms. Seery - no

11. Motions for Approval: Personnel

Motion to Approve Personnel items A through D as listed:. This motion, made by Jennifer Chaparro and seconded by Bridget Seery, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Erin Schuetz: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea, Michael Smales: Yea

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

12. Motions for Approval: Personnel/Athletics

Motion to Approve Athletic items A through D as listed. This motion, made by Jennifer Chaparro and seconded by Erin Schuetz, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Erin Schuetz: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea, Michael Smales: Yea

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

12.A. Motions for Approval Personnel/Athletics

Motion to Approve Event Workers for Athletics as listed. This motion, made by Bridget Seery and seconded by Michael Smales, Carried.

Erin Schuetz: Abstain (With Conflict), Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea, Michael Smales: Yea

Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

13. Motions for Approval — Student Life

Motion to approve Student Life items as listed. This motion, made by Leanne Jacobs-Rohan and seconded by Antonio Paris, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Erin Schuetz: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea, Michael Smales: Yea

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

Ms. Chaparro - cool upping game from DC to NY this year. Like that.

Mr. Gahed - well they are staying in meadowlands so not too bad.

14. Motions for Approval - Education

Motion to Approve the 2026-2027 Title I Schoolwide Application for Verner Elementary. This motion, made by Antonio Paris and seconded by Bridget Seery, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, Christopher Conard: Yea, Kareem Gahed: Yea, Leanne Jacobs-Rohan: Yea, Adeshewa Metzger: Yea, Antonio Paris: Yea, Erin Schuetz: Yea, Bridget Seery: Yea, Michael Smales: Yea

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

15. Hearing of Citizens

Dimitri Hong - 421 7th Street Oakmont - spoke regarding the district/state phone restrictions. He expressed concern that students with personal MacBooks or iPads may be able to bypass restrictions, creating inequities, and also raised concerns about website filtering on school-issued devices. The Board thanked him and encouraged students to continue bringing forward possible solutions.

Ms. Jacobs-Rohan - joked for him to come back next month with a solution.

16. Committee Reports

Finance: No report.

Education: Elementary schools reported a strong academic start, i-Ready reading and math diagnostics, new STEM programming in grades 4-6 with some programming in grades 2-3, cursive instruction beginning in grade 2, and age-appropriate September 11 remembrance activities. The junior-senior high school reported the close of the add/drop period, i-Ready assessments for grades 7-8, student conferences, CIP meetings/observations, a virtual financial-aid night, and upcoming PSAT administration.

Safety: Annual worker-safety training/recertification was noted. The next meeting was scheduled for October 15.

Student Life: Reports covered student councils, safety patrol, author and theater events, 10th Street's Ready/Respectful/Responsible program, Kindness Crew, Morning Show, attendance incentives, outdoor movie night, fall events, high-school clubs, and student participation in the Eradicate Hate Summit.

Policy: The committee completed review of the 900-series policies and will revisit its future work after Board reorganization.

PSBA Liaison: Upcoming PSBA meetings, workshops, school-safety certificate opportunities, and a school-

law workshop were noted.

17. Delegate Reports:

Communications and Marketing: The report covered back-to-school communications, website/social-media updates, athletics communications, Bound integration, and cleanup/redirects from the prior athletics website.

Forbes Road: Operations were reported as going smoothly with increased student enrollment.

Legislative: The report noted the Pennsylvania House and Senate returning September 28, PSBA's mandate-report tracking, a future PDE school-construction reporting requirement, and the pending federal budget deadline.

EAS: The report noted routine operational approvals, students returning August 25, positive early-year feedback, and an upcoming open house.

18. Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Muscante: The solicitor reported reviewing and commenting on several contracts and continuing to address residency matters.

19. Board Comments

Discussion included implementation of the student phone restrictions, with administration reporting few discipline issues and plans for a fuller update at a future education report; the status of discussions with the borough regarding the park contract; and junior-senior high school hot-lunch availability while cafeteria construction continues. Board members also thanked athletics staff, community volunteers, sponsors, donors, and residents who supported the district and community during a difficult September.

20. Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn: 8:35. This motion, made by Bridget Seery and seconded by Jennifer Chaparro, Carried.

Jennifer Chaparro: Yea, **Christopher Conard:** Yea, **Kareem Gahed:** Yea, **Leanne Jacobs-Rohan:** Yea, **Adeshewa Metzger:** Yea, **Antonio Paris:** Yea, **Erin Schuetz:** Yea, **Bridget Seery:** Yea, **Michael Smales:** Yea

Yea: 9, Nay: 0

The next Study Session was announced for October 5, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the Riverview Junior-Senior High School Library. A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Siri and seconded. The meeting adjourned.