

Browning Public Schools
Board Agenda Request
Meeting to Be Held: 9/29/2026



Recognition: ☐ Students ☐ Staff ☐ Parents
Information: ☐ Building Report ☐ Old Business ☐ Superintendent's Report
Action: ☐ Resignations ☐ Hiring ☐ Contract Service Agreements
☐ Travel Out-of-State ☐ Travel In State ☐ Approvals
☐ Termination ☐ Legal Matters ☐ Other:
This action request pertains to ☐ Elementary (only) ☐ High School/District Wide

Date: 9/20/26

To: Rebecca Rappold
Superintendent of School

From: Irene Augare
Title: Director of PCOP

Subject: InState: MT-OPI High Tiered Community of Practice Kalispell, MT

Description: Requesting approval to travel to Kalispell, Montana, to attend the MT OPI-High Tiered Community of Practice-Fall Conference.

Financial Impact: \$634.52 (OPI will reimburse for mileage and lodging (at the state rate) for one staff member per facility and/or LEA to attend.)

Funding Source (Budget/grant, etc.) Designated to appropriate travel budget for PCOP Staff

Attachment(s): Conference Agenda, Travel Request, & Hotel Info.

Superintendent Action: ☐ Approved ☐ Denied ☐ Deferred Initial & date: _____

Comments: _____

Board Action: ☐ N/A (Info) ☐ Approved ☐ Denied ☐ Tabled to: _____

BROWNING PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Leave Report/Travel Request

Employee Name Irene Augare

Employee # _____

Building BMS/ Parent Community Outreach Program

Substitute Name _____

LEAVE REPORT

Date of Leave

10/5/26-10/7/26

Hours

24 hrs

Type of Leave

SR Leave

Employee Signature _____ Date _____

☒ **Approved; Condition upon the specific leave being available for the specific employee**

☐ **Not Approved**

Principal/Supervisor _____ Date _____

TYPE OF LEAVE

AN Annual

SL Sick Leave

*EX/SR Extra-Curricular/School Related

PL Personal Leave

JD Jury Duty (attach verification)

NG National Guard

FN Funeral _____

(Master Contract Relationship)

ALWO Approved Leave W/O Pay

ULWO Unapproved Leave w/o Pay

SWP Suspended w/Pay

SWOP Suspended w/o Pay

***If taking School Related/Extra-Curricular Leave only, In or Out of District, you MUST list Conference Agenda, Name,**

Location TRAVEL REQUEST (If receiving payment for EX/SR leave please fill out entire form

completely) Conference/Workshop High Tiered Community of Practice (Attach Brochure/Agenda)

Location Columbia Falls/Kalispell, MT

Departure Date 10/05/26

Return Date 10/7/26

Departure Time 8:00 a.m.

Return Time 3:00 p.m.

Transportation: ☒ Personal Vehicle

Mileage 198 @ \$0.76 = \$150.48

☐ District Vehicle

PerDiem 2@\$51+1L\$17 = \$119.00

☐ Professional Development

☒ Registration PO# _____=\$

☒ Hotel PO# _____=\$365.04

☒ Other PO# Airfare=\$ _____

Submit Receipts on return for Taxi/Shuttle/Parking/Luggage

Sub Total \$634.52

Check Total \$269.48

Budget Designated to appropriate travel budget for PCOP Staff

Employee Signature _____

Date _____

Principal/Supervisor _____

Date _____

Superintendent Signature _____

Date _____

White-Payroll

Yellow Acc.-Payable

Pink-Employee

Goldenrod-School Site

Your stay

Hampton Inn Kalispell

Mon, Oct 5 – Wed, Oct 7, 2026 (2 nights)

1 room for 1 adult

Edit stay

Step 4 of 4

Payment and Guest Details

Total for stay	\$365.04
Total room charge	\$330.00
Total taxes and government charges	\$35.04
Price in \$USD	
Hide price details ^	
2 Queen Beds Nonsmoking	
Flexible Rate	
05 Oct 2026	\$149.00
06 Oct 2026	\$181.00
Total room charge	\$330.00
8.00 % per room, per night	
\$4.32 per room, per night	
Total taxes and government charges	\$35.04
Total for stay: \$365.04	



Guarantee and cancellation policy

Pay when you stay

There is a Credit Card required for this reservation. Free cancellation before 11:59 PM local hotel time on 04 Oct 2026.

All fields are required unless marked optional.



Payment



Hampton Inn Kalispell

1140 Highway 2 West

Kalispell, Montana 59901 USA

Hotel details

Reservation summary

*Average price per night

2 Queen Beds	\$330.00
Nonsmoking	2 nights x \$165.00*
Change room	
Flexible Rate	
Change rate	
Total Add-Ons	\$0.00
Change add-ons	
Total room charges	
Total room charges	\$330.00
Total add-ons	\$0.00
Total taxes and government charges	\$35.04
Total for stay: \$365.04	



High Tiered Community of Practice

Draft Agenda

October 5-7, 2026

Monday October 5, 2026

Columbia Falls High School

610 13th St. W

Columbia Falls, MT

10:00:

- Welcome and Sign In

10:15-11:15:

- Montana Department of Justice: Kaci Gaub
 - Child and Family Ombudsman

11:15-12:00

- Montana Job Corps: Isabelle Zehentmayr and Molly Crawford-Worth

12:00-1:00: Lunch on Own

1:00-4:00pm:

Columbia Falls Public Schools: Tamara Sundberg

1:00-1:30

- National Honor Society Tutoring

1:30-2:00

- Student Led Suicide Prevention

2:00-2:30

- CAT Program Panel Fundraising Ideas
- Student Focused Innovative Ideas

2:30-3:00

- Head Start and Columbia Falls High School Tour

3:00-4:00

- Land to Hand

540 4th Ave W.
Columbia Falls, MT 59912



High Tiered Community of Practice

Tuesday October 6, 2026

**Glacier High School 375 Wolfpack Way
Kalispell, MT**

8:15:

- Welcome

8:30-9:00:

- Reacher Higher MT: Christy Hendricks
- Kalispell Chaffee Provider

9:00-10:00am:

- Montana Youth Challenge: Steve Love
- Montana Army National Guard: Chris Oelkers

10:00-10:30:

- Montana Children's Trust Fund and Community Response Program: The Nurturing Center
Mackenzie Forbis

10:30-11:00:

- DPHHS: Natalie Bahnmler

11:00-11:30:

- Montana Continuum of Care: Colleen Kay

11:30-12:00:

- Montana Department of Criminal Investigations Human Trafficking: Kylie Erp

12:00-1:00:

- Lunch on Own

1:00-3:30:

- Kalispell Public Schools

1:00-1:30:

- Jodie Barber: Linderman Alternative High School

1:30-2:30:

- Janelle Willett: McKinney Vento High School Case Manager

Interactive Simulation of Resources



High Tiered Community of Practice

Heart Locker

2:30:

- Mike Kelly and Bryce Wilson: Work Based Learning

3:00-3:30:

- Montana Department of Labor: Pre-Apprenticeship Program

3:30-4:30:

- Evergreen School District: Crossroads Program
18 W. Evergreen Dr.
Evergreen, MT

5:30-7:00

- Networking
Bias Brewing
412 S. Main Street
Kalispell, MT 59901

Wednesday October 7, 2026

8:30am:

- **Montana National Guard Armory Informational Tour**
2989 HWY 93 North Kalispell, MT

9:30am:

- **Center for Restorative Youth Justice**
110 East Idaho St. Kalispell, MT

10:30am:

- **Sparrow's Nest**
204 7th Ave W. Kalispell, MT

11:30am:

- **Flathead Youth Homes**
825 E. Oregon St. Kalispell, MT

12:00pm:

- Wrap Up and Closing

**Application for
Professional Development Opportunity
Browning Public Schools
2026-2027**

The goal of staff development is to improve achievement for Browning School students. Ideally, staff development should be sustained, intensive, of high quality, and involve as many staff and ultimately children as possible. Therefore, all staff members requesting professional development assistance are required to provide the following information:

Name: Irene Angare

Job Title: PCOP Director

Describe the type of professional development you are requesting. Include subject, area, concentration, dates and follow-up activities.

I am requesting to attend the OPI-High Tiered Community of Practice Conference to be held in Columbia Falls/Kalispell, MT area on October 5-October 7, 2026. This conference is intended to bring all McKinney-Vento Liaisons and Resources providers together to network and share best practices for providing support to McKinney-Vento Families and Students.

Describe how this professional development activity will "improve (your) knowledge and skills, classroom instruction and student achievement."

I will attend several presentations that will enhance my awareness of homelessness, the local/state resources available, and tools for identifying and eliminating student/family barriers inhibiting them from achieving a safe and appropriate education. I will also learn how we can better support our students and families who are experiencing homelessness with a focus on preventing dropout.

Describe how this professional development activity is tied to the goals of the District's Consolidated Plan/Strategic Plan or your building's School-wide Plan.

Students experiencing homelessness are faced with many issues that impede their ability to attend or even excel at school. By networking and attending informational presentations, I will gain information on how to eliminate students' individual barriers to receiving an appropriate education and strategies to improve overall attendance. I will also learn about other opportunities that may aid in our overall student success.

If the request requires out of district training, outline your plan to share what you have learned with other staff members and include a timeline.

I plan to distribute the information gained from this training with all school buildings during PD opportunities, through district email, and during each interaction with students and staff thereafter.

If this request involves use of funds, please attach the appropriate school district requisition and/or leave/travel request with itemized expenses. In State travel requests are due 2-weeks in advance. Out of State requests are due 30-days in advance. All travel must be approved by the Principal/Director and/or Supervisor. In State Travel must be approved by the board if 24 hours or overnight for administrators; both must be approved by the board if out of state.

Irene Angare
Signature

9/18/26
Date