

Central Bucks School District

Education Committee Meeting Report

Thursday, October 1, 2026

6:00 p.m.

Meeting location: CBSD Educational Services Center
16 Welden Drive, Doylestown, PA 18901

IN ATTENDANCE:

AMANDA O'CONNOR, CHAIRPERSON
DANA FOLEY, COMMITTEE MEMBER
HEATHER REYNOLDS, COMMITTEE MEMBER
KAREN SMITH, BOARD MEMBER
DR. JOANNA WEXLER, SUPERINTENDENT
DR. CHARLES MALONE, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT
DR. HELEN ZALESKI, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT
RICHARD KRATZ, DIRECTOR OF TEACHING & LEARNING
STEPHANIE RADCLIFFE, SCHOOL BOARD SECRETARY

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson O'Connor called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Zara Mahmud, CB student, thanked the Board for adding the Eid-al-Fitr and Eid-al-Adha holidays to the school calendar.

Naida Qureshi, CB student, thanked the Board for adding the Eid-al-Fitr and Eid-al-Adha holidays to the school calendar.

Yasmin Ibrahim, Warwick, thanked the Board for adding the Eid-al-Adha holiday to the school calendar.

Sarah Umer, CB student, thanked the Board for adding the Eid-al-Adha holiday to the school calendar.

Ayesha Umer, Chalfont, shared her appreciation to the Board for adding the Eid-al-Fitr and Eid-al-Adha holidays to the school calendar.

3. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING REPORT

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

4.A. Grades K-5 and Grade 6 RELA Curriculum Resources Update and Next Steps
English Supervisor Michele Myers and Reading Supervisor Ashley Christie presented to the Committee regarding RELA curriculum for grades K-5 and grade 6. Data reviewed included DIBELS K-3, STAR Reading 206, and PSSA. Next steps for grades K-5 include comparing the 2020 *myView* version with the 2025 version, negotiating costs for both versions of *myView*, determining needed professional development, and then sharing the recommendation for adoption. Next steps for grade 6 include forming a committee to complete a formal review of HMH, determining between HMH and *myPerspectives*, and then sharing the recommendation for adoption.

4.B. LIEP Update

World Languages and English Language Development Supervisor Stacy Gray presented to the Committee regarding the Language Instruction Educational

Program Manual (LIEP) and shared updates from the English Language Development (ELD) and World Language Departments. The LIEP provides the district with a guide for effectively supporting the education of multilingual learners. Ms. Gray spoke about the trip to Spain in the summer of 2027 and about The Jack and Rosemarie Schieber Scholarship that is designed to support students in the ELD program who plan to continue their education beyond high school. A total of three CBSD students (one student from each of our three high schools) will be selected to be awarded a \$1,500.00 scholarship.

4.C. 2027-2028 District Calendar

Dr. Wexler and Dr. Zaleski presented some options for next year's school calendar. The Committee is most in favor, if possible, of continuing the "soft start" for grades 9, 6, and kindergarten, a full Spring Break, and a holiday on Juneteenth. Administration will work on the calendar and bring it back to Committee for further discussion.

5. **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPROVAL AT NEXT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

5.A. Course of Study Approval: AP US Government and Politics

Social Studies Supervisor Chris Johnson presented to the Committee regarding a course of study called AP United States Government and Politics. This course provides a college-level, nonpartisan introduction to key political concepts, ideas, institutions, policies, interactions, roles, and behaviors that characterize the constitutional system and political culture of the US. Mr. Johnson discussed the units of study and themes. The Committee agrees to move this course of study, intended to commence in the 2027-2028 school year, to the full Board for a vote.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

6.A. Next scheduled Education Committee Meeting: November 5, 2026