



Personnel Recommendations  
Board of Education Meeting  
June 23, 2026

**Certified Appointments**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following certified appointments for the 2026-27 school year.

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| Leslie Baker -   | Special Education Teacher at Rock Island High School<br>Salary - \$84,187/annually |
| Andrew Doughty - | English Teacher at Rock Island High School<br>Salary - \$52,442/annually           |
| Joseph Gawron -  | Music Teacher at Longfellow Elementary School<br>Salary - \$52,442/annually        |
| Jeannie Napier - | Psychologist at Districtwide<br>Salary - \$87,312/annually                         |
| Emma Osborn -    | Fourth Grade Teacher at Ridgewood Elementary School<br>Salary - \$53,649/annually  |
| Hannah Wheeler - | Social Worker at Districtwide<br>Salary - \$59,397/annually                        |
| Cameron Yeater - | Adaptive Physical Education Teacher at Ridgewood<br>Salary - \$58,757/annually     |

**Certified Summer Session Appointments**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following certified summer session appointments for the 2025-26 school year.

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| Troy Copeland - | Drivers Education Teacher (Summer Session 1 & 2) at<br>Rock Island High School<br>Salary - \$39.22/hourly |
| Troy Joseph -   | Drivers Education Teacher (Summer Session 1 & 2) at<br>Rock Island High School<br>Salary - \$39.22/hourly |
| Lance Ricco -   | Drivers Education Teacher (Summer Session 1 & 2) at<br>Rock Island High School<br>Salary - \$39.22/hourly |



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Jeffrey Schmulbach - Drivers Education Teacher (Summer Session 1 & 2) at  
Rock Island High School  
Salary - \$39.22/hourly

**Non-Certified Appointments**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following non-certified appointments for the 2026-27 school year.

Tara Austin - Paraprofessional (Hall Monitor) at Rock Island High School  
Salary - \$21.69/hourly

Abraham Blanco - Paraprofessional (Special Education) at Thurgood Marshall Learning Center  
Salary - \$20.50/hourly

Adriana Blanco - Paraprofessional at Thurgood Marshall Learning Center  
Salary - \$21.46/hourly

Mackenzie Brokaw - Paraprofessional at Denkmann Elementary School  
Salary - \$20.50/hourly

Eugenio Campos III - Paraprofessional (Hall Monitor) at Rock Island High School  
Salary - \$21.69/hourly

Ashley Fawks - Paraprofessional at Ridgewood Elementary School  
Salary - \$21.46/hourly

Aminia Mashimango - Paraprofessional at Frances Willard Elementary School  
Salary - \$21.46/hourly

Corey Parker - Paraprofessional (Hall Monitor) at Rock Island High School  
Salary - \$21.69/hourly



**Non-Certified Internal Transfers**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following non-certified internal transfers for the 2026-27 school year.

Christopher Fischer - Paraprofessional at Thomas Jefferson Elementary School to Paraprofessional at Denkmann Elementary School  
 Salary - \$21.46/hourly

Jacob VanDam - Paraprofessional (Special Education) at Ridgewood Elementary School to Paraprofessional (Special Education) at Denkmann Elementary School  
 Salary - \$26.42/hourly

**Certified Coach Resignation**

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the following certified coach resignation during the 2025-26 school year.

<b><u>Staff Member</u></b>	<b><u>Current Position</u></b>	<b><u>Years of Continuous Service</u></b>
Sepehr Kalhor	Assistant Wrestling Coach At Rock Island High School	5 Years Effective 06/04/2026

**Non Certified Resignation**

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the following non certified resignation during the 2025-26 school year.

<b><u>Staff Member</u></b>	<b><u>Current Position</u></b>	<b><u>Years of Continuous Service</u></b>
Cassie Bernal	Paraprofessional at Longfellow Elementary School	2 Years Effective 06/04/2026

**Certified Retirement**

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the following certified retirement during the 2025-26 school year.

<b><u>Staff Member</u></b>	<b><u>Current Position</u></b>	<b><u>Years of Continuous Service</u></b>
Connie A. Hayek	English Teacher at Rock Island High School	33 Years Effective 06/03/2027