

To: Board of Education Members

From: Dr. Sharon Williams

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Re: School Year 2025 - 2026 Committee of the Whole Topics and Schedule

The Committee of the Whole meetings were established by the Board of Education to increase communication and community engagement. The Committee of the Whole meetings are held on the second meeting of the month at a RIMSD 41 school.

In the 2024 - 2025 school year. The following schools were visited and the following topics were discussed.

Month	School and Topic		
August	Rock Island Academy: School Counseling, Social Work and Mental Health Awareness		
September	Thurgood Marshall Learning Academy: Literacy, Numeracy, and Accelerated Learning		
November	Washington JHS: Facilities Management Planning (Phase III Community Input)		
January	Eugene Field ES: Technology Use; Social Media; Artificial Intelligence		
February	Edison JHS: Grading Policies, Procedures and Practices; Graduation Rate and 9th Grade on Track to Graduation		
May	Longfellow ES: Language Diversity and Access		



Potential topics for our Committee of the Whole meetings for the 2025 - 2026 school year are listed here for discussion.

- 1. College and Career Readiness and Post Secondary Opportunities
- 2. Facilities Management Planning Community Input
- 3. Early Childhood Learning
- 4. Safety and Security
- 5. Technology Use/Social Media
- 6. Mental Health Awareness
- 7. Climate and Culture
- 8. Continuum of Care for Scholars with Exceptionalities
- 9. Scholar Rights and Responsibilities (Code of Conduct)
- 10. Athletics, Extracurricular Activities and Scholar Engagement
- 11. Anti-bullying and Discipline Policies
- 12. Budget Planning and Transparency
- 13. Sustainability and Energy Efficiency
- 14. Recruitment and Retention of Teachers and Staff
- 15. Culturally Responsive Curriculum and Teaching
- 16. Community and Family Engagement



Committee of the Whole Schedule for 2025 - 2026

BoE Committee of the Whole Date	Location	Topic	Leadership Team Champion(s)	Scholar and Staff Recognition
8/26/2025	Denkmann ES	TBD	TBD	TBD
9/23/2025	Rock Island HS	TBD	TBD	TBD
11/25/2025	Horace Mann ECE	TBD	TBD	TBD
1/27/2026	Earl Hanson ES	TBD	TBD	TBD
2/24/2026	Ridgewood ES	TBD	TBD	TBD
4/28/2026	Frances Willard ES			
5/26/2026	Rock Island Center for Math and Science	TBD	TBD	TBD

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