

Notice of Meeting

Members of the Board of Education

Ladies and Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that there will be a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 40, at 6:00 PM, on Monday, October 26, 2026, at the Moline Education Center, 1900 52nd Avenue, Moline, Illinois 61265.

Dr. Brian Prybil
Secretary, Board of Education

AGENDA AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Board of Education
Moline, Illinois
Monday, October 26, 2026

Join from PC, Mac, iPad, or Android:

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1. Opening of Meeting - Roll Call

A. Approval of any Board of Education Member Participating Remotely

2. Recitation of Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Minutes

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of October 12, 2026

Moline, Illinois, October 12, 2026
Minutes
Board of Education
School District No. 40

The meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Chet DeSmet at 6:48 p.m. at the Moline Education Center 1900 52nd Avenue, Moline, IL 61265.

Roll Call

Members Present: Audrey Adamson, Chet DeSmet, Ramona Dixon, Jason Farrell, Lindsey Hines, Geoff Manis, Laura Sivertsen

Member Absent: None

Student Member Present: Brisa DeJesus, Varun Mekala

Student Member Absent: None

The Board of Education Members led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Open Session of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of September 28, 2026 were presented for approval as presented.

A motion was made by Audrey Adamson, seconded by Jason Farrell, all in favor, that the minutes of the Open Session of the Regular Board of Education meeting of September 28, 2026 be approved as presented and placed on file.

COMMUNICATION, PUBLIC COMMENT AND PARTICIPATION

There was no public comment or communication.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board of Education considered Consent Agenda Items A through K as presented:

A motion was made by Laura Sivertsen, seconded by Lindsey Hines, that the Board of Education approve the actions contained in Consent Agenda Items A through K as presented.

A. Employment – Certified Staff

the temporary employment of the following named certified substitute teachers for the 2026-2027 school year with wages in accordance with District schedules:

Bush, Abigail
Eddy, Jodey
Frerich, Michelle

Frieden, Kimber
SantAmour, Christian

B. Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement - Certified Staff

the resignation for the purpose of retirement of the following named certified staff member, effective at the end of the 2026-2027 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>
Bullock, Andrew	Assistant Principal	ASPIRE

C. Acceleration of Resignation Date for the Purpose of Retirement - Certified Staff

the acceleration of the previously approved resignation date for the purpose of retirement from the end of the 2027-2028 school year to the end of the 2026-2027 school year for the following named certified staff member:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>
Henson, Brian	Grade 5	Logan

D. Employment – Non-Certified Staff

- 1) the employment of the following named non-certified staff with wages in accordance with District schedules:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Klocke, Benjamin	Grant Accountant	MEC-Business Office	10/19/26

- 2) the temporary employment of the following named education support professional for the 2026-2027 school year with wages in accordance with District schedules:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Grooms, Pamela	Classroom ESP	Willard	10/16/26
Pruett, Quin	Special Ed LFI ESP	Logan	10/05/26

- 3) the temporary employment of the following named substitute education support professional for the 2026-2027 school year with wages in accordance with District schedules:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Juehring, Teresa	Classroom ESP	10/13/26

E. Resignation/Termination - Non-Certified Staff

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Garnette, Paula	Substitute Custodian	Various	09/23/26
Guzman, Candie	Substitute Custodian	Various	09/21/26
Johanson, Lindsey	Special Ed Resource ESP	High School	10/12/26
Johanson, Serenity	Special Ed ED ESP	John Deere	10/02/26
Vozikis, Annie	Lunchroom Aide	Butterworth	09/28/26

F. Transfer/Reassignment

- 1) the transfer of Nicholas Allison from 2nd Shift Custodial position for Section J-2 at Moline High School to 2nd Shift Custodial position for EBJ Wing at Moline High School, effective October 16, 2026.
- 2) the transfer of Emma Stout from 2nd Shift Custodial position for Section C Wing 1st Floor at Moline High School to 2nd Shift Custodial position for J Wing 1st Floor at Moline High School, effective October 1, 2026.
- 3) the transfer of Megan Waydeman from 2nd Shift Custodial position for J Wing 1st floor at Moline High School to 2nd Shift Custodial position for 2nd Floor North Stairs at Wilson Middle School, effective September 16, 2026.

G. Payments for Board Approval

approval of payments:

Fund 1 Educational	1,755,480.26
Fund 2 Operations & Maintenance	149,429.14
Fund 3 Debt Service	0.00
Fund 4 Transportation	16,316.80
Fund 5 Retirement	259,199.16
Fund 6 Capital Projects	954,551.71
Fund 7 Working Cash	0.00
Fund 8 Tort Fund	10,519.00
Fund 9 Life Safety Code	116,389.90
Fund 10 Group Insurance	810,851.20
Fund 11 Student Activity	<u>15,448.55</u>
TOTAL	4,088,185.72

See Exhibit A in the official minutes.

H. Freedom of Information Act Requests

- 1) A Freedom of Information Act Request was received from SmartProcure requesting for any and all purchasing records from 6/18/2026 to the present. The District has responded to this request.
- 2) A Freedom of Information Act Request was received from Chelsae Neels requesting video of 41st Street and 16th Avenue intersection dated 09/24/26 from 7:37:15 a.m. - 7:37:50 a.m. The District has responded to this request.

- 3) A Freedom of Information Act Request was received from Civic IQ, Inc. requesting purchase records report from 03/01/25 to date. The District has responded to this request.

I. Facility Usage Request Recommended for Approval Subject to Compliance with Board of Education Policy 8:20

- 1) Roosevelt Elementary cafeteria on Tuesdays beginning October 13, 2026 through April 20, 2026 from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. by Boy Scouts Troop 325. Building rental fees as stated in the contract. If custodial fees are required as a result of the program, they will be billed in the amount of \$54 per hour.
- 2) Bartlett Performing Art Center band room by the Quad City Symphony Orchestra on Sundays for rehearsal beginning October 25, 2026 from 1:45 pm until 7:15 p.m., December 13, 2026 from 1:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m., January 31, 2027 from 1:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m., and February 7, 2027 from 1:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Building rental and custodial fees as stated in the contract.
- 3) Franklin Elementary gymnasium by Girl Scouts Troop 3411 on Monday, October 5, 2026 from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. and Monday, October 13, 2026 from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Building rental fees as stated in the contract. If custodial fees are required as a result of the program, they will be billed in the amount of \$54 per hour.
- 4) Hamilton Elementary classroom by Girl Scouts Troop 4197 on Thursdays beginning November 5, 2026 through April 29, 2027 from 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Building rental fees as stated in the contract. If custodial fees are required as a result of the program, they will be billed in the amount of \$54 per hour.

J. Acceptance of Gift

A donation in the amount of \$500 was received from Debra Viren to be used to purchase supplies for Mrs. Ramirez's 5th grade class at Roosevelt Elementary.

K. Approve Closure of Bank and Investment Account

Approve the closure of the above District bank and investment account. Upon approval, the administration will transfer any remaining balances to the appropriate active District account and complete the account closure process. **See Exhibit B in the official minutes.**

Ayes: Jason Farrell, Lindsey Hines, Geoff Manis, Laura Sivertsen, Audrey Adamson, Ramona Dixon, Chet DeSmet

Nays: None

FACILITY UPDATE - Mr. Gallo

Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer, provided an update on recent and upcoming facility improvements across the district. Mr. Gallo shared that new double front entries at Butterworth and Washington; updated gym flooring, hoops, and paint at all three; hallway locker and casework updates at Washington/Butterworth; synthetic turf at Logan; completed adapted playground at Wilson.

Completed work at Moline High School included finished B-wing restrooms and D101 classroom (vocational trades space for electrical, plumbing, and carpentry); renovated cafeteria with LVT flooring, new furniture, and updated serving lines/kitchen equipment. Also, near-completion of the soccer facility (concession, restrooms, locker room, ADA viewing pad).

Mr. Gallo shared the upcoming/in planning projects at Jane Addams & Logan which includes the front entry, office, and flooring upgrades. The High School improvements would be the J-wing and staff restroom updates; phased pothole repair in the student parking lot; varsity baseball/softball complex reconstruction (JV phase starting June 1); tennis court expansion (8 to 12 courts in discussion with the city); Browning storage building addition for the band.

The future projects would include: floor/bleacher updates at Wharton Field House ahead of its 2028 centennial, and a new maintenance warehouse ahead of the Coolidge property transition.

Chet DeSmet, Board Member, enjoys seeing facility improvements and showing the community that the district is investing in the community. Also, the D-Wing classroom update is great to see so that these programs can get up and running for students.

Lindsey Hines, Board Member, informed the board that updates to Wharton Field House would not be a concern for the landmark designation and she also enjoys seeing all of the facility improvements being made.

Audrey Adamson, Board Member, said even though not all of our elementary schools can be brand new it is great to see the updated spaces at the elementary schools throughout the district.

APPROVAL OF MEDICARE PART D FOR RETIRES OVER 65

A motion was made by Lindsey Hines, seconded by Jason Farrell, that the Board of Education approve the District Insurance Committee's Recommendation to accept the proposal from Express Scripts PDP for the prescription drug plan coverage for Retirees Over 65, for an estimated cost of \$147,065 based on current enrollment. See **Exhibit C** in the official minutes.

Ayes: Lindsey Hines, Geoff Manis, Laura Sivertsen, Audrey Adamson, Ramona Dixon, Jason Farrell, Chet DeSmet

Nays: None

APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR WHARTON FIELD HOUSE LANDMARK DESIGNATION

A motion was made by Geoff Manis, seconded by Laura Sivertsen, that the Board of Education approve the application to the state of Illinois for a historic landmark designation, recognizing the first NBA game played at Wharton Field House. **See Exhibit D in the official minutes.**

Ramona Dixon, Board Member, asked for clarification that the board was approving the correct designation. Geoff Manis, Board Member, explained the timeline of events and how Wharton Field House came to host the first NBA game.

Ayes: Geoff Manis, Laura Sivertsen, Audrey Adamson, Ramona Dixon, Jason Farrell, Lindsey Hines, Chet DeSmet

Nays: None

REPORTS, REQUESTS, AND OPEN DISCUSSION

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Savage, Superintendent, reported that the District is starting "Portrait of a Parent & Community Partnerships" design team, so far there are 36 to 37 parents have signed up so far, principals will be asked to identify 1–2 staff members per building to join the team and the first meeting is scheduled for November 10th. Board of Education members are invited to participate (if more than 2–3 attend, it will be posted as an official board activity).

Dr. Savage informed the board that a team is attending the National Portrait of a Graduate Conference in Chicago (starting tomorrow) to launch Phase Two, with focus: Moving the core competencies off posters and into classroom instruction and Teacher Leadership: A team of 9 teacher leaders (department chairs, middle school team leaders, and grade-level leaders) is attending to lead the rollout.

Dr. Savage stated that the school merger & transition of Lincoln Irving & Willard is underway with community & parent engagement including: neighborhood-based events will take place (at John Deere Middle School gym) to ensure accessibility for families. The upcoming fall meeting will focus on gathering parent input for planned murals around the school (staff input has already been collected). Student Connection Events planned by Principals (Egan Colbrese & Caitlin Hillier at Lincoln Irving; Jenny Graves at Willard) are planning joint field trips and student leadership gatherings to build comfort before the next school year. A Willard Legacy Event is planned for March 9th (before spring break) to celebrate Willard's ~129-year community history with alumni, staff, former principals, and community members. Principals are also creating a comprehensive transition plan addressing curriculum/instruction, staffing, operations, safety, academic continuity, and stakeholder engagement.

Lastly, Dr. Savage acknowledged the facilities department for improvements: recognition for Vince, Keith, and their teams for managing facility upgrades efficiently across athletics, fine arts, and instructional spaces. Also, thanks offered for the Chartwells pizza update and food service program enhancements alongside physical cafeteria renovations at the high school.

Student Board of Education Member Report

Brisa DeJesus, Student Board Member, stated she heard the Hoe Down was a fun event and she gave a shout out to the Concert Choir and all 52 students that were involved at this event at Augustana College. Brisa reported that students juniors and seniors are busy meeting with their counselors to discuss future plans and opportunities.

Varun Mekala, Student Board Member, wanted to celebrate the significant athletic achievements, including girls' tennis, the last home football game was last Friday and it was a good one, and soccer's senior night had a great community turnout.

Board of Education Member Open Discussion

Chet DeSmet, discussed recent school events and achievements, including school board members visiting their designated schools.

Jason Farrell, Board Member, congratulated the Special Olympics Bowling Team and the great turnout for this event.

Geoff Manis, Board Member, congratulated student board member, Varun Mekala, for earning a letter of commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, ranking in the top 3% of over 1.3 million students.

Ramona Dixon, Board Member, enjoyed the updates on the facilities in the district. She would also like a similar update on the district's long range and short range academic plans.

A motion was made by Geoff Manis, seconded by Laura Sivertsen, all in favor, that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned. Time: 7:13 p.m.

President

Secretary

4. Communications, Public Comment and Participation

5. Presentation of Annual Audit/Financial Report for 2025-2026 - Mr. Gallo

6. Public Hearing for E-Learning in Lieu of Emergency Days Verification

A. Open Public Hearing

B. Public Comment

C. Close Public Hearing

7. Consent Agenda

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Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education approve the actions contained in the Consent Agenda as presented.

7. **Consent Agenda**

Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education approve the actions contained in Consent Agenda Items **A** through **M** as presented:

A. Employment - Certified Staff

the temporary employment of the following named certified substitute teacher for the 2026-2027 school year with wages in accordance with District schedules:

Keown, Zoe

B. Salary Reclassification - Certified Staff

a change in salary classification for the following certified staff effective at the beginning of the Second Semester of the 2026-2027 school year:

Peterson, Brian from B.A. to B.A. +15

C. Acceleration of Resignation Date for the Purpose of Retirement – Certified Staff

the acceleration of the previously approved resignation date for the purpose of retirement from the end of the 2027-2028 school year to the end of the 2026-2027 school year for certified staff member:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>
Wells, Miranda	Cross Categorical Special Ed	High School

D. Approval of Family Medical Leave Act - Certified Staff

that the Board of Education grant approve of a family medical leave for the following certified staff member:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Fournier Johnson, Maggie	Kindergarten	Bicentennial	Beginning tentatively 04/4/27 and not to exceed 60 days

E. Employment – Non-Certified Staff

1) the employment of the following named non-certified staff for the 2026-2027 school year with wages in accordance with District schedules:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
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Jackson, Angela	Special Ed ED ESP	Washington	10/16/26
Mitchell, Georgia	Lunchroom Aide	Butterworth	10/19/26

- 2) the temporary employment of the following named non-certified staff for the 2026-2027 school year with wages in accordance with District schedules:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Juehring, Teresa	Classroom ESP	Butterworth	10/19/26
Lawhorn, Ashley	Special Ed LFI ESP	Roosevelt	10/16/26
Raymond, Shelbee	Classroom ESP	Lincoln-Irving	10/21/26
Trent, Kristi	Special Ed 1:1 ESP	Butterworth	10/20/26

- 3) the temporary employment of the following named substitute non-certified staff for the 2026-2027 school year with wages in accordance with District schedules:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
DeVoss, Dean	Custodian
Franklin, Kimberly	Classroom ESP
Kennedy, Angela	Administrative Assistant

F. Resignation/Termination - Non-Certified Staff

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Fox, Traci	Educational Technology-Help Desk ESP	High School	10/30/26
Franklin, Kimberly	Special Ed 1:1 ESP	Butterworth	10/09/26
Pearson, Michelle	Preschool ESP	Jefferson	10/13/26
Trent, Kristi	Lunchroom Aide	Butterworth	10/19/26

G. Transfer/Reassignment

- 1) the transfer of Traci Fox from Educational Technology-Help Desk Support ESP at the High School to the Facility Rental/User Support Specialist at the High School, effective November 2, 2026
- 2) the transfer of Timothy Aumuller from Educational Technology ESP at the High School to Educational Technology-Help Desk Support ESP at the High School, effective November 2, 2026
- 3) the transfer of Susanne Titus from 9.5 Month Administrative Assistant at Jefferson Early Childhood Center to the 12 Month Accounts Payable Assistant position at the Moline Education Center, effective November 2, 2026

H. Acceleration of Resignation Date for the Purpose of Retirement - Non-Certified Staff

the acceleration of the previously approved resignation date for the purpose of retirement from January 4, 2027 to December 31, 2026 for non-certified staff member:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>
Rea, Amy	Accounts Payable Assistant	Moline Education Center

I. Approval of Unpaid Leave of Absence - Non-Certified Staff

that the Board of Education grant approval of unpaid leave of absence for the following non-certified staff member:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Lopez, Allison	ML ESP	Jane Addams	Beginning 11/09/26 and ending 01/04/27

J. Payments for Board Approval

approval of payments:

Fund 1 Educational	561,020.38
Fund 2 Operations & Maintenance	359,612.67
Fund 3 Debt Service	0.00
Fund 4 Transportation	318,700.98
Fund 5 Retirement	0.00
Fund 6 Capital Projects	1,608,403.75
Fund 7 Working Cash	0.00
Fund 8 Tort Fund	20,346.20
Fund 9 Life Safety Code	0.00
Fund 10 Group Insurance	8,580.00
Fund 11 Student Activity	<u>19,861.28</u>
TOTAL	2,896,525.26

See Attachment No. 1.

K. Freedom of Information Act Requests

A Freedom of Information Act request was received from Mark Johnson requesting all current employee/staff contact information as of October 14, 2026. The District has responded to this request.

L. Facility Usage Request Recommended for Approval Subject to Compliance with Board of Education Policy 8:20

- 1) Franklin Elementary gymnasium by Girl Scouts Troop 3411 on Friday, December 11, 2026, Monday, January 4, 2027, and Friday, January 8, 2027 from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Building rental and custodial fees as stated in the contract.
- 2) Moline High School PE Center by Blackhawk Youth Basketball League for games on Sunday, November 1, 2026 from Noon until 6:00 p.m., Sunday, November 8, 2026 and Sunday, December 13, 2026 from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.. Building rental and custodial fees as stated in the contract.

- 3) Wharton Field House on Saturday, December 19, 2026 from 3:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. by Quad City Youth Sports Foundation for the Group O Shootout. Building rental and custodial fees as stated in the contract.
- 4) Wharton Field House on Saturday, January 9, 2027 from 8:30 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. by Quad City Youth Sports Foundation hosting the IHMVU Girls Shootout. Building rental and custodial fees as stated in the contract.
- 5) Franklin Elementary gymnasium by Moline Raptors Basketball for basketball practice on Thursdays starting December 17, 2026 through January 5, 2027 from 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Building rental and custodial fees as stated in the contract.
- 6) Bicentennial Elementary gymnasium by Quad Cities Rush U11 Girls Basketball on Saturdays starting January 9, 2027 until March 13, 2027 from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. Building rental and custodial fees as stated in the contract.

M. Approval of Purchase - LEAD Moline Devices for the 2027-2028 School Year

that the Board of Education approve the purchase of LEAD Moline devices for the graduating classes of 2034 (5th Grade) and 2030 (9th Grade) from ChrombookParts.com, St. Paul, Minnesota, for a total cost not to exceed \$305,000. See Attachment No. 2.

TO: Members of the Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Brian Prybil, Deputy Superintendent 
Craig Reid, Director for Technology

DATE: October 22, 2026

SUBJECT: Approval of Purchase - LEAD Moline Devices for the 2027-2028 School Year

Reason for Board Consideration: Board of Education approval is required.

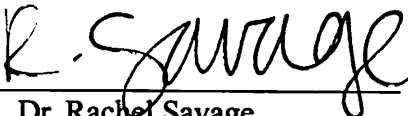
Action Necessary: Approval is requested to purchase LEAD Moline devices for the Graduating Classes of 2034 (5th Grade) and 2030 (9th Grade).

Facts: The Educational Technology Department sent quote requests for LEAD Moline Chromebooks through partner channels and the ILTPP (Illinois Technology Purchasing Program) for the LEAD Moline hardware cycle. We received ten responses from national resellers. Chromebookparts.com provided the lowest qualifying price for 1,100 devices. The quote responses can be found below.

Cost: The estimated quantity for the graduating classes of 2034 (5th Grade) and 2030 (9th Grade) is 1,100 devices. Chromebookparts.com in St. Paul, Minnesota, offered the lowest cost, not to exceed \$305,000, for the recommended HP G11m devices and Google Enterprise licenses. This is a Federal Title I expenditure paid from Federal Title I budgets.

Recommended Action: That the Board of Education approve the purchase of LEAD Moline devices for the graduating classes of 2034 (5th Grade) and 2030 (9th Grade) from Chromebookparts.com, St. Paul, Minnesota, for a total cost not to exceed \$305,000.

Approved for Submission to the Board of Education



Dr. Rachel Savage
Superintendent of Schools

Vendor	Model	Per unit Cost	Total Cost (with License)
Chromebookparts	HP Fortis G1m	\$214.99	*\$270,039.00
Byte Speed	HP Fortis G1m	\$228.00	\$286,000.00
CDWG	HP Fortis G1m	\$229.84	\$287,199.00
Bit Direct	HP	\$239.00	\$297,000.00
HBS	HP Fortis G1m	\$246.01	\$303,501.00
Twotrees	Asus CZ11	\$312.00	\$378,400.00
9 to 5	Lenovo Gen 5	\$323.99	\$389,345.00
Byte Speed	HP Fortis G1i	\$386.00	\$459,800.00
HBS	HP Fortis G1i	\$390.05	\$461,945.00
BLUUM	Lenovo Gen 5	\$319.00	\$526,500.00

*Pricing does not reflect licenses.

8. Approval of 2025-2026 Annual Audit

Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education approve the 2025-2026 annual audit as presented.

9. Approval of E-Learning in Lieu of Emergency Days Verification

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Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education approve an e-learning program verification form and adopt the District's E-Learning plan for a term of three years. **See Attachment No. 3.**



Dear Moline-Coal Valley Families,

As we approach the 2026-2027 winter break and the colder months ahead, I wanted to take a moment to share how our District makes decisions during periods of inclement winter weather. Above all else, our priority is the safety and well-being of our students and staff and we appreciate your partnership and understanding during these situations.

When winter weather occurs, the District has two options available:

- **Option 1: Winter Weather Remote Learning Day**
 - Students learn from home using our continuous learning plan
 - These days **do not need to be made up** at the end of the school year
- **Option 2: Emergency Day**
 - All school buildings are closed, no remote learning takes place
 - These days **do need to be made up** at the end of the school year

It has long been the practice of the District to keep schools open whenever it is safe to do so, recognizing that families rely on us in many different ways. Each weather-related decision is made carefully, using guidance from weather authorities and local conditions, with student and staff safety guiding every choice.

Generally speaking:

- If there is a **winter weather advisory**, schools will typically remain open.
- If there is a **winter weather warning**, a closure and Remote Learning will likely occur.
- An **Emergency Day** is reserved only for the most extreme and unsafe conditions.

Regardless of the District's decision, we fully respect that families know their children and circumstances best. If you determine that conditions are not safe for your child, please contact your school. Weather-related absences are always considered excused. Additional information can be found on the District website at www.molineschools.org under *Parents & Families → Resources → Weather Guidelines*.

Finally, please refer to the second page of this letter for our **Remote Learning Day schedule**. This schedule is designed to be flexible, developmentally appropriate, and supportive of a wide range of family needs. Thank you for your continued partnership and trust as we work together to keep students safe, learning, and supported this winter season.

Warm regards,

Rachel Savage, Superintendent Moline-Coal Valley School District

Winter Weather Remote Learning Day Structure

Students will have learning activities/opportunities for teacher engagement available throughout the day. Remote learning may include independent paper-based activities, online learning, and optional opportunities to connect with teachers.

K-2 devices will stay at school. Students in grades 3 and 4 will be assigned a Chromebook to take home in advance of a remote learning day, whenever possible, to be returned the next day.

Notifications for any Remote Learning Day or Emergency Day will be sent via Infinite Campus, Class Dojo, and through the news media.

Grades Pre-K-2	Grades 3-5	Grades 6-12
<p>Winter weather remote learning activities will be sent home in advance. <u>Families should keep these materials in a safe place until a remote learning day is called.</u></p> <p>Students will complete assigned paper/packet learning activities during the remote learning day.</p> <p>Daily attendance is determined by the completion of assigned work. To be marked "Present", students must complete their independent learning assignments and return the completed work on the next in-person school day.</p> <p>Teachers will host <u>two optional Google Meet sessions</u> throughout the day and be available via Class Dojo for any questions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00-9:30 am 1:30-2:00 pm <p>Student participation in Google Meets is not required for attendance, and families may use a personal device if available.</p> <p>Students with Individualized Learning Plans should also refer back to their daily remote learning plan in the IEP</p>	<p>Please begin the day by checking Class Dojo or Google Classroom for updates.</p> <p>Teachers/specialists will post daily learning activities through Google Classroom and/or Class Dojo. Teachers may also provide paper/packet learning activities.</p> <p>Daily attendance is determined by the completion of work. To be marked "Present" for the day, students must submit their work online via Class Dojo/Google Classroom or return paper/packet activities on the next in-person school day.</p> <p>Teachers will host <u>two optional Google Meet sessions</u> throughout the day and be available via Class Dojo for any questions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00-9:30 am 1:00-1:30 pm <p>Student participation in Google Meets is not required for attendance</p> <p>Students with Individualized Learning Plans should also refer back to their daily remote learning plan in the IEP</p>	<p>Each student's <u>2nd period</u> Teacher will send an "Attendance Question" through Google Classroom for students to answer in the morning.</p> <p>Students will have all day to complete their paper or Google Classroom online learning activities and bring any paper-based work back completed to school the next day.</p> <p>There will be <u>two optional opportunities</u> for students to log on to a "Google Meets" with their Teacher to check in and connect or to ask questions regarding the learning activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:45-10:15 am 2:15-2:45 pm

10. Approval of Group Dental Plan for 2027

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Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education approve the proposal for Group Dental Insurance with United Healthcare for a total projected cost of \$630,506 for the 2027 calendar year. **See Attachment No. 4.**

TO: Members of the Board of Education

FROM: Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer 
Todd DeTaeye, Assistant Superintendent for Administration & Human Resources 

DATE: October 22, 2026

SUBJECT: Approval of Group Dental Plan for 2027

Reason for Board Consideration: Board of Education approval is required.

Action Necessary: Board of Education approval is requested.

Facts: The District Insurance Committee met October 12, 2026 to discuss the renewal of 2027 Group Dental Insurance. The Committee's recommendation is to accept the proposed rates from United Healthcare for the calendar year 2027 with fully insured dental being \$46.85/month for single coverage, \$128.57/month for family coverage. This reflects a 3% increase from the 2026 calendar year.

Cost: The total projected cost is \$630,506 for the 2027 calendar year based on current member participation. Premiums will be paid from the Group Insurance Fund.

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Education approve the proposal for Group Dental Insurance with United Healthcare for a total projected cost of \$630,506 for the 2027 calendar year.

Approved for Submission to the Board of Education



Dr. Rachel Savage
Superintendent of Schools

11. Approval of Voluntary Vision Insurance with United Healthcare for 2027

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Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education approve the renewal of Voluntary Vision Insurance through United Healthcare for the 2027 calendar year. **See Attachment No. 5.**

TO: Members of the Board of Education

FROM: Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer 
Todd DeTaeye, Assistant Superintendent for Administration & Human Resources 

DATE: October 22, 2026

SUBJECT: Approval of Voluntary Vision Insurance with United Healthcare for 2027

Reason for Board Consideration: Board of Education approval is required.

Action Necessary: Board of Education approval is requested.

Facts: The District Insurance Committee met October 12, 2026, to discuss the renewal for Voluntary Vision Insurance. The renewal rates increased by 5% and are guaranteed for three years. Contact lens fitting was also added to the plan at no additional cost. As a result, it is the Committee's recommendation to renew with United Healthcare for Voluntary Vision for 2027.

Cost: Premiums are covered solely by the employees who participate in the program.

Recommended Action: That the Board of Education approve the renewal for Voluntary Vision Insurance through United Healthcare for the 2027 calendar year.

Approved for Submission to the Board of Education



Dr. Rachel Savage
Superintendent of Schools

12. Approval of Group Health Insurance Administrative Services Only for 2027

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Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education approve the proposal for the Group Health Insurance Administrative Services Only with UMR for a total projected cost of \$387,553 for the 2027 calendar year. **See Attachment No. 6.**

TO: Members of the Board of Education

FROM: Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer 
Todd DeTaeye, Assistant Superintendent for Administration & Human Resources 

DATE: October 22, 2026

SUBJECT: Approval of Group Health Insurance Administrative Services Only for 2027

Reason for Board Consideration: Board of Education approval is required.

Action Necessary: Board of Education approval is requested.

Facts: The District Insurance Committee met October 12, 2026 to discuss the 2027 renewal for the District's Group Health Insurance Plan for Administrative Services Only.

As a result, the Committee's recommendation is to accept the renewal for Administrative Services Only with UMR with fees for all active employees and retirees being \$50.78 per employee per month.

Cost: The total projected cost is \$387,553 for the 2027 calendar year, based on current member participation. Premiums will be paid from the Group Insurance Fund which is a shared cost between the Board of Education and employees.

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Education approve the proposal for the Group Health Insurance Administrative Services Only with UMR for a total projected cost of \$387,553 for the 2027 calendar year.

Approved for Submission to the Board of Education



Dr. Rachel Savage
Superintendent of Schools

13. Approval of Group Health Pharmacy Benefit Manager for 2027

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Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education approve TrueRx as the Pharmacy Benefit Manager and SHARx for specialty medications for a total projected cost of \$198,000 for the 2027 calendar year. **See Attachment No. 7.**

TO: Members of the Board of Education

FROM: Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer 
Todd DeTaeye, Assistant Superintendent for Administration & Human Resources 

DATE: October 22, 2026

SUBJECT: Approval of Group Health Pharmacy Benefit Manager for 2027

Reason for Board Consideration: Board of Education approval is required.

Action Necessary: Board of Education approval is requested.

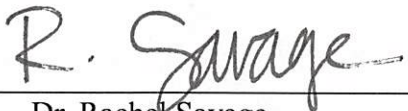
Facts: The District Insurance Committee met October 12, 2026 to discuss the renewal of 2027 District's Group Health Insurance Plan prescription drug coverage.

As a result of the Committee's recommendation to renew with TrueRx as the Pharmacy Benefit Manager with fees for all active employees and retirees under age 65 at \$6.50 per prescription, and to use SHARx for specialty medications at a cost \$17.63 (previously \$16.95) per employee per month.

Cost: The total projected cost is \$198,000 in the 2027 calendar year. Premiums will be paid from the Group Insurance Fund which is a shared cost between the Board of Education and employees.

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Education approve TrueRx as the Pharmacy Benefit Manager and SHARx for specialty medications for a total projected cost of \$198,000 for the 2027 calendar year.

Approved for Submission to the Board of Education



Dr. Rachel Savage
Superintendent of Schools

14. Approval of Group Health Individual Stop Loss Insurance for 2027

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Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education approve the proposal for the Individual Stop Loss Insurance with SunLife for a total projected cost of \$1,454,757 for the 2027 calendar year. **See Attachment No. 8.**

TO: Members of the Board of Education

FROM: Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer 
Todd DeTaeye, Assistant Superintendent for Administration & Human Resources 

DATE: October 22, 2026

SUBJECT: Approval of Group Health Individual Stop Loss Insurance for 2027

Reason for Board Consideration: Board of Education approval is required.

Action Necessary: Board of Education approval is requested.

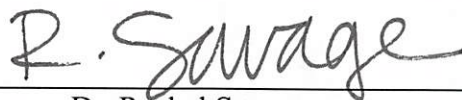
Facts: The District Insurance Committee met October 12, 2026 to discuss the 2027 renewal for the District's Group Health Insurance Plan for Individual Stop Loss Insurance.

As a result, the Committee's recommendation is to accept the renewal for Individual Stop Loss Insurance with SunLife with fees for all active employees and retirees under age 65 being \$201.22 per employee per month for Specific Stop Loss (previously \$169.10) and \$3.56 per employee per month for Aggregate Stop Loss (no change).

Cost: The total projected cost is \$1,454,757 the 2027 calendar year, based on current member participation. This represents an increase of approximately \$228,180, or 18.99%. Premiums will be paid from the Group Insurance Fund which is a shared cost between the Board of Education and employees.

Recommended Motion: That the Board of Education approve the proposal for the Individual Stop Loss Insurance with SunLife for a total projected cost of \$1,454,757 for the 2027 calendar year.

Approved for Submission to the Board of Education



Dr. Rachel Savage
Superintendent of Schools

15. Approval of Group Insurance Premiums for Active & Retiree Under 65 Plan for 2027

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Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education approve the District Insurance Committee's recommendation to increase the Active and Retiree premium contributions to the Group Insurance Fund for the 2027 calendar year for group insurance premium rates. **See Attachment No. 9.**

TO: Members of the Board of Education

FROM: Vince Gallo, Chief Financial Officer 
Todd DeTaeye, Assistant Superintendent for Administration & Human Resources 

DATE: October 22, 2026

SUBJECT: Approval of Group Insurance Premiums for Active & Retiree Under 65 Plan for 2027

Reason for Board Consideration: Board of Education approval is required.

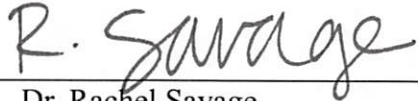
Action Necessary: Board of Education approval is requested.

Facts: The District Insurance Committee met October 12, 2026 to discuss projected claims, other group insurance costs, and revenues for the Group Insurance Fund for 2027. As a result of current Moline-Coal Valley Board of Education and bargaining agreements in place, the Committee recommends the group insurance premium rates for the 2027 calendar year, effective January 1, 2027, as listed. The rates reflect an increase of 6% for medical premiums for the Active Plan and the Retiree Under 65 Plan.

Cost/Revenue: The annual Group Medical Insurance premium from the Board of Education and employees and retirees is projected at \$11,345,882 for 2027. This overall premium should generate an increase of approximately \$642,220 depending on future enrollment. All costs are supported through the Group Insurance Fund.

Recommended Action: That the Board of Education approve the District Insurance Committee's recommendation to increase the Active and Retiree premium contributions to the Group Insurance Fund for the 2027 calendar year for group insurance premium rates.

Approve for Submission to the Board of Education



Dr. Rachel Savage
Superintendent of Schools

16. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Salem University and the Moline-Coal Valley School District No. 40

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Recommended Motion: that the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Salem University and the Moline-Coal Valley School District No. 40. **See Attachment No. 10.**

Memorandum of Understanding

Salem University
Moline-Coal Valley School District

Attachment No. 10
10/26/26 Brd. Mtg



Purpose

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) outlines the roles, responsibilities, and expectations of the partnership between Salem University and Moline-Coal Valley School District to ensure high-quality clinical experiences for pre-service teachers that lead to their professional development and positive impacts on PK-12 student learning and development.

This document serves as the formal written agreement between Salem University and Moline-Coal Valley School District and shall be filed with the West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE).

Defined Roles and Responsibilities

1. Salem University will coordinate and provide oversight for pre-service teacher placement, performance-based assessments, and supervision.
2. The Moline-Coal Valley School District will support the placement of pre-service teachers and provide access to appropriate learning environments.
3. Clinical experiences will include placements at multiple grade levels and subject areas, as outlined in the approved program, and will span a duration sufficient to ensure that candidates demonstrate their developing effectiveness.
4. Salem University and Moline-Coal Valley School District will collaborate on joint professional learning opportunities designed to improve the preparation of pre-service teachers and strengthen instructional practices.
5. The partnership will be evaluated periodically to assess shared accountability.
6. Scheduled planning meetings and feedback sessions will be held between Salem University, school(s), and county leadership to ensure continuous improvement of the partnership.

Responsibilities

Educational Preparation Provider (EPP)

- Salem University will provide a liaison to coordinate with the partnering county board of education and school(s).
- Salem University will outline and offer services and assistance to support the partnership, including supervision of pre-service teachers, guidance on performance-based assessments, and professional development initiatives.

County Board of Education and School(s)

- The county board of education or school(s) will provide:
 - » Access to appropriate placement sites for pre-service teachers.
 - » Access to technology and eligible systems necessary for effective teaching and learning.
 - » Opportunities for pre-service teachers to engage in professional activities such as student

instruction, committee memberships, and meetings, as permitted by privacy laws and county regulations.

- » Feasible support for onsite meetings and/or instruction of pre-service teachers, including methods courses and co-teaching collaborations with a college supervisor.
- » The county board of education or school(s) will include [EPP] faculty and staff in professional learning opportunities that enhance their ability to prepare future teachers.

Duration and Termination

This MOU will remain in effect for a duration of three years, with an option for renewal upon mutual agreement. Either party may terminate the agreement with 30 days' written notice, if termination does not disrupt the completion of clinical experiences for currently placed pre-service teachers.

Signatures

Michelle Whitman

14/10/2026

Director of Educational Preparation Programs, Salem University

Date

Dr. Christine Storms

14/10/2026

Dr. Christine Storms (Oct 14, 2026 12:39:28 EDT)

Associate Provost, Salem University

Date

Dr. Lauren Woodward

14/10/2026

Dr. Lauren Woodward (Oct 14, 2026 11:29:05 EDT)

Faculty Lead for Education Preparation Programs, Salem University

Date

Superintendent, Moline-Coal Valley School District

17. Reports, Requests and Open Discussion

A. Superintendent's Report

B. Student Board of Education Member Report

C. Board of Education Member Open Discussion

18. Adjournment

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION PRACTICES

The Moline-Coal Valley Unit School District No. 40 does not discriminate against employees, students, or the general public in its programs or practices, including vocational education, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, gender, gender identity, disability, age, marital status, pregnancy status, citizenship status, military status, unfavorable discharge from the military service, national origin or ancestry in accordance with Title IX, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Americans with Disabilities Act. The Moline-Coal Valley School District prohibits sex discrimination in any education program or activity that it operates, as required by Title IX, including in admission and employment. Moline-Coal Valley School District's nondiscrimination policy and grievance procedures can be located on the District website under Board Policy. In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act, any individual who is in need of assistance or reasonable accommodations to be able to participate in a school district-related activity, including the employment application or interview process, should contact the Assistant Superintendent for Student Services and Special Education at the District administrative offices. Any individual who wishes to file a complaint of unlawful discrimination should contact the Superintendent of Schools or the Secretary of the Board of Education at the District administrative offices, 1900 52nd Avenue, Moline, IL 61265.