

Schoolcraft Community Schools
Board of Education
13400 S 14th St
Schoolcraft, MI 49087
488-7390
Monday, January 12, 2026

NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING

*This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in agenda item C (Bylaws 0160).

At the direction and call of the President of the Schoolcraft Board of Education a meeting has been scheduled for the following time and location:

Date: Monday, January 12, 2026

Time: 5:30 PM

Place: Jr/Sr High School Cafeteria

Purpose: Board of Education

1. **ROUTINE**

A. Call to Order

B. **Roll Call of the Board**

i. Board Organization Meeting

Dr. Nate Ledlow

Request a motion for board president.

C. Welcome and Introductions of Visitors

2. **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. (The following are offered as part of the consent agenda. The motion noted will allow for the authorization of all listed items, without discussion, unless a member of the Board requests that any one or all be considered individually.)

A. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

C. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL MATTERS

Resignations

New Hires

D. APPROVAL OF BILLS

General Fund - 11	\$ 317,328
General Fund - 11 (Manual Checks)	\$

Special Revenue: School Lunch - 25	\$ 41,479
Capital Project- 41	\$ 254,722
Capital Project- 42	\$
VOIDS	\$
Check Register Total	\$ 613,529
Electronic- GFS, P Cards, Ref Pay, EDU Staff	\$ 252,932
Total Payments	\$ 866,461

12/08 Payroll	\$ 555,496
12/23 Payroll	\$ 551,864
_____ Payroll Total	\$1,107,360

E. APPROVAL OF DONATIONS

\$1,000 - Band Donation

3. **HEARING OF CITIZENS**

At this time, the Board will hear public comment. The purpose of public comment is to allow members of the community to share their views with the Board on school-related matters that fall within the Board's authority. Speakers are reminded that this is not a dialogue or question-and-answer session; the Board will listen, but will not respond or take action during public comment.

Each speaker will be given up to [three] minutes to address the Board. Please begin by stating your name and, if you wish, your affiliation with the district. Comments must be directed to the Board as a whole, not to individual board members, staff, or other audience members. We ask that all comments remain civil and focused on issues, policies, and operations, rather than on individual students, employees, or community members.

The Board will not permit comments that are obscene, threatening, defamatory, or that violate the privacy rights of students or staff. Personnel or student-specific concerns should follow the district's established complaint or grievance procedures rather than being aired in public comment. The Board reserves the right to enforce reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions in order to ensure an orderly meeting and to allow as many voices as possible to be heard.

4. **INFORMATION**

A. Finance Report

Taylor Mikel

B. Human Resources & Curriculum Update

Matt Webster

C. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Nate Ledlow

D. SEA Update

Jenny Stull

5. **BUSINESS AGENDA**

A. Nancy Rafferty Commemoration

Dr. Nate Ledlow

Proposal to rename the Elementary School Media Center in honor of longtime Schoolcraft Community Schools employee and Schoolcraft Community Historian, Nancy Rafferty.

If approved, the ceremony will take place at the board meeting on February 9th.

B. School Board Appreciation Month Proclamation

WHEREAS, Michigan is home to nearly 600 locally elected local school boards that work to enrich the lives of Michigan's students through education and directly influencing instruction in Michigan's public schools; and,

WHEREAS, local school board members are exceptional public servants who have dedicated and committed themselves to this duty by governing school districts, listening to parent voices, and advancing student achievement and well-being in the schools and communities they serve; and,

WHEREAS, during this month, we join with the Michigan Association of School Boards, Michigan Department of Education, local school districts and community organizations to recognize and raise awareness of the countless efforts and contributions of local school boards and school board members throughout Michigan; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gretchen Whitmer, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim January 2026 as School Board Recognition Month in Michigan.

6. **FINAL THOUGHTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

7. Closed session to discuss Superintendent's evaluation

Dr. Nate Ledlow

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

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This is to serve as legal notice of call of said meeting:

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