

Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 15, 2026 6:00 PM

Triangle Lake Charter School--Library
20264 Blachly Grange Rd.
Blachly, OR 97412

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Blachly School District #90

Code: BDDH-AR
Revised/Reviewed: 2/21/18; 11/17/21; 10/09/24

Public Comment at Board Meetings

The Board requests that a public comment add information or a perspective that has not already been mentioned previously, and that the patron refrains from repeating a similar point.

To provide public comment in person, if the opportunity is available on the Board agenda, please complete and submit the Intent to Speak card to the Board secretary prior to the meeting. Those attending virtually and want to provide public comment should notify the Board secretary by submitting an email to comments@blachly.k12.or.us as directed prior to the start of the meeting.

A person speaking during the public comment portion of the meeting may comment on a topic not on the published agenda. A person providing public comment will be allowed three minutes. Signing up to provide public comment does not guarantee time will be available.

Any person, who is allowed to speak to the Board during a meeting, should state their name, whether they are a resident of the district and, if speaking for an organization, the name of the organization. A spokesperson should be designated to represent a group with a common purpose.

Comments about a specific employee or group of employees should comply with Board policy BDDH - Public Comment at Board Meetings:

“A person speaking during the designated portion of the agenda for public comment may offer objective criticism of district operations and programs. The Board will not hear comments regarding any individual district staff member. The Board chair will direct the visitor to the procedures in Board policy KL - Public Complaints published complaint procedures for consideration of a legitimate complaint involving a staff member. Any association contract governing the employee’s rights will be followed. A commendation involving a staff member should be sent to the superintendent, who will forward it to the employee, a supervisor and the Board.”

SEE FORM ON REVERSE

INTENT TO SPEAK

The Board welcomes input. To provide in-person public comment please submit this completed card to the Board secretary prior the start of the meeting.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name of organization (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Email (optional): _____

Topic or comment to be presented (brief description): _____

A complaint brought before the Board shall be referred to the proper school authorities. A complaint shall be processed in accordance with Board policy KL - Public Complaints and KL-AR - Public Complaints Procedure NX published complaint procedures. A hearing conducted by the Board regarding personnel may take place in an executive session.

The Board requests that a topic or comment is limited to three minutes or less.

Blachly School District #90

Code: BDDH
Adopted: 12/13/93
Revised/Readopted: 1/16/08; 11/19/08; 2/21/18;
1/19/22; 10/09/24

Public Comment at Board Meetings

All Board meetings, with the exception of executive sessions, will be open to the public. The Board invites the district's community members to attend Board meetings to become acquainted with the program and operation of the district. The public has a right to attend public meetings held in open session, and may be invited to share comments, ideas and opinions with the Board during designated times on the agenda. The Board may conduct a meeting without public comment.

Individuals with hearing, vision or speech impairments will be given an equal opportunity to participate in Board meetings and submit written comments to the Board. Individuals requesting assistance, aids or accommodations are encouraged to notify the district at least 48 hours prior to the Board meeting with the request, consistent with Board policy BD/BDA – Board Meetings.

Procedures for Oral Public Comment

The Board establishes the following procedures for public comment at Board meetings held in open session. The information will be accessible and available to all patrons accessing or attending such a Board meeting.

1. Public comment is limited to its designated place on the agenda and while time allows.
2. A person wishing to provide public comment, if an opportunity is provided by the Board during a meeting open to the public, will complete and submit the Intent to Speak card to the Board secretary prior to the Board meeting.¹ A request to give public comment in-person or electronically does not guarantee time will be available.
3. A person speaking during the public comment portion of the meeting may comment on a topic not on the published agenda.
4. A person speaking during the public comment portion of the meeting should state their name, whether they are a resident of the district, and, if speaking for an organization, the name of the organization. A spokesperson should be designated to represent a group with a common purpose.
5. A person giving public comment is limited to an established time limit of three minutes. Statements should be brief and concise. The Board chair has discretion to waive time limits or extend the overall time allotted for public comment. Additional time will be allocated in a fair and equitable manner. If a person has more comments than time allows or is unable to comment due to time constraints, the

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person is encouraged to submit additional written comments to the Board through the district office as directed.

6. Inquiries from the public during the designated portion of the agenda will not generally be responded to immediately by the Board chair, and may be referred to the superintendent for reply at a later date. The Board will not respond to inquiries that are expected to be addressed during another designated portion of the agenda.

The Board will not hear public comment at Board work sessions.

Topics raised during the public comment portion may be considered for inclusion as agenda items at future Board meetings.

Procedures for Written Comment

Members of the public may submit written comments or materials to the Board at any time at the district office, by mail or by email to comments@blachly90.com. Materials or comments submitted at least 72 hours in advance of a Board meeting will be provided to the Board before the Board meeting. Written materials or comments submitted may not warrant action by the Board.

Comments Regarding Staff Members

A person speaking during the designated portion of the agenda for public comment may offer objective criticism of district operations and programs. The Board will not hear comments regarding any individual district staff member. The Board chair will direct the visitor to the procedures in Board policy KL - Public Complaints for consideration of a legitimate complaint involving a staff member. Any association contract governing the employee's rights will be followed. A commendation involving a staff member should be sent to the superintendent, who will forward it to the employee, a supervisor and the Board.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 165.535](#)
[ORS 165.540](#)

[ORS 192.610 - 192.690](#)
[ORS 332.057](#)

[ORS 332.107](#)

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213 (2018); 29 C.F.R. Part 1630 (2020); 28 C.F.R. Part 35 (2020).

Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12133 (2018).

Baca v. Moreno Valley Unified Sch. Dist., 936 F. Supp. 719 (C.D. Cal. 1996).

Leventhal v. Vista Unified Sch. Dist., 973 F. Supp. 951 (S.D. Cal. 1997).

Oregon House Bill 2560 (2021).

Cross Reference(s):

BDDC - Board Meeting Agenda

KC - Community Involvement in Decision Making

Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 12, 2026 6:00 PM

Blachly School District #90---Board Zoom
Meeting Link, 20264 Blachly Grange Rd.,
Blachly, OR 97412

Attendance Taken at 6:12 PM.

Bobbie Jo Brewster: Present
Ciara Clark: Absent
Nicole Deering: Present
Meleah Drago: Present
Sara Gamache: Absent
Bev Schiesser: Present

Present: 4, Absent: 2.

Molly Rust, Shane Benscoter, Dennis Boyd, Kelly Goodwin, Arian Richardson, Brooklyn Gilbert, Julie Nowacki

Attendance Update Taken at 6:19 PM.

Sara Gamache: Present

Present: 5, Absent: 1.

Molly Rust, Shane Benscoter, Dennis Boyd, Kelly Goodwin, Arian Richardson, Brooklyn Gilbert, Julie Nowacki

1. **CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board Chair Drago called the meeting to order at 6:11pm.

2. **WELCOME GUESTS AND VISITORS**

3. **CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Adding an additional policy to item 5.4--The added policy for first read is policy KNA.

4. **PUBLIC FORUM/COMMUNICATIONS**

Public comments are accepted until the start of each meeting. To submit a comment, turn it in to the board secretary or email it in advance. A fillable Public Comment form, referred to in the attached AR, can be downloaded by clicking the menu/settings button. Written comments sent to comments@blachly.k12.or.us will be read during the meeting and should take less than three minutes. Verbal comments are limited to three minutes per person, with a total maximum of 15 minutes for all comments.

There were no public comments.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

5.1. **BOARD MINUTES**

June 10, 2026 Board Minutes

There were no changes to the minutes presented.

5.2. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Business Manager Molly Rust has provided the June & July check register, pro-card statement and financial report to the board for review.

Ms. Rust answers questions the board has with regard to the June and July check register and pro-card statement.

Ms. Rust shares her financial report with the board. She shares that this is as close as she has to an accurate ending fund balance for June. It is higher than when we met in June. She reminds the board of our policy, DBDB, Fund Balance. She shares that she is projecting 14.81% for the ending fund balance, approximately \$301,859 over the 10% contingency. She explains where this revenue has come from and why it is

one-time revenue. She also explains where we are seeing expenditures. She explains how she is projecting the drop in the grant funds, which is due to our drop in ADM. All of which will be coming out of general funds next year. Ms. Rust points out that we can't rely on one-time revenue. Per policy DBDB the board may choose to move some of this revenue and transfer it into capital projects. This would require us to make a supplemental budget.

Director Deering asks if we do move money into capital projects, is it just a general pocket, or does the board decide what to spend it on? Ms. Rust states that technically, it is Ms. Bottensek's decision, but she would probably look for input from the Board. Ms. Bottensek shares it's less of an opinion and more of a data-driven decision, and we have had a campus inspection done recently on our facility, and we can use that data to help make decisions. Her recommendation would be to go through the report and make a priority list of what we should do now, and what we should keep in the capital funds account to be prepared for any issues that may arise.

5.3. RESIGNATIONS

Superintendent Bottensek presents the resignation of Sherri Baker from her Transportation Manager position. Superintendent Bottensek also presents the resignation of Kevin Denton from Blachly School District, the Music/Band teaching position has been posted.

Superintendent Bottensek shares that Sherri Baker is resigning from the transportation position, but will still maintain her other jobs in the district. Kevin Denton resigned from his position, and we are currently interviewing for this position.

5.4. HIRES

Superintendent Bottensek presents the hire of Shane Mooney as the Head HS Football coach, Holly Gee as the Head Cross Country coach. She also presents Amara Simington as the Fifth Grade 0.5 FTE Temporary Teacher, and Norm Baker as the Transportation Manager.

Superintendent Bottensek shares that we actually shared the hire of Mr. Mooney as the Head HS Football coach in June. That is not a new hire. She shares the other new hires listed.

5.5. SECOND READ POLICIES

CBG - Evaluation of the Superintendent, Required

EBB - Integrated Pest Management, Required

GBA - Equal Employment Opportunity, Required

GBN/JBA - Sexual Harassment, Required

JBA/GBN - Sexual Harassment, Required

Superintendent Bottensek reminded the board that the only policy from the May release that we looked at in June were the required policies, as this was a large packet of policy. These have been updated and are ready to be sent to OSBA to update on our website.

5.6. FIRST READ BOARD POLICIES

BBAA--Individual Board Member's Authority and Responsibilities, Delete

BBAA--Board Member's Authority and Responsibilities, Highly Recommended

BD--Board Meetings, Notices and Communications, Highly Recommended, New
BD_BDA--Board Meetings, Delete
BDC--Executive Sessions, Delete
BDC--Executive Sessions, Highly Recommended
BDDC--Board Meeting Agenda, Delete
BDDC--Board Meeting Agenda, Highly Recommended, New
BDDG--Minutes of Board Meetings, Highly Recommended, New
CBA--Qualifications and Duties of the Superintendent, Highly Recommended
DBEA Version 2--Budget Committee, Highly Recommended
EBBA--Student Health Services, Highly Recommended
GBA-AR--Equal Employment Opportunity, Highly Recommended
GCBDA_GDBDA-AR Version 1--Family and Medical Leave, Highly Recommended

Superintendent Bottensek shares the first reads, these were the highly recommended policies and the deletes that went along with them. She also shares the new policy KNA for first read. This policy must be adopted by September 30th.

5.7. MOTION

Director Schiesser moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. This motion, made by Bev Schiesser and seconded by Nicole Deering, Carried.

Bobbie Jo Brewster: **Yea**

Ciara Clark: Absent

Nicole Deering: **Yea**

Meleah Drago: **Yea**

Sara Gamache: **Yea**

Bev Schiesser: **Yea**

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

6. REPORTS

6.1. ENROLLMENT

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
On Campus	9	11	20	14	19	15	20	20	16	10	19	9	15	197
TLCS Online	6	18	19	19	20	19	13	19	14	6	5	5	3	166
Out of District Placement														2
Student Count Change														-10

Total Enrollment: 365

Monthly Enrollment Total for Blachly SD 2026-2027	
June	375
August	365
September	
October	
November	
December	
January	

Monthly Enrollment Total for Blachly SD 2026-2027	
February	
March	
April	
May	
June	

Superintendent Bottensek reminds the board that in the spring there was a request for this report to look a little different, and we decided to make that change with the new year. With the help of Directors Deering and Drago we came up with this chart. You will see, next month, a total number of changes based on grade level for the district. She reminds the board that we feel enrollment really levels out in October or early November.

6.2. FACILITIES REPORT

Maintenance Director, Shane Benscoter provided a maintenance update to the board.

Mr. Benscoter answers questions about his report for the board.

6.3. TECHNOLOGY REPORT

Technology Director, Dennis Boyd provided an update to the board.

Mr. Boyd answers questions with regard to his report for the board.

6.4. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Brittany Bottensek shares a report with the board.

Superintendent Bottensek shares that there was not much to report since school has been on break. We hope to have both an IA and Band teacher hired for the start of school.

6.5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Brittany Bottensek will give a report to the board.

Superintendent Bottensek answers questions about her report for the board.

She notes, she will be keeping a very close eye on enrollment. We are in a position where enrollment numbers are going to have a big impact on budget decisions throughout the year.

We are continuing with the CEP meal program, allowing our students free breakfast and lunch. A change this year is that we will require adults to maintain a positive balance on their lunch account, and there will no longer be the ability for staff to charge for meals. The Fresh Fruit and Vegetable program requires you to spend 75% of your grant funds to automatically receive it the following year. We did not spend the 75% last year, so we are re-applying this year. We do still qualify, and we expect we will still get it. Current funding is through September.

Two new districts have been added to our rural collaborative group. They are also offering additional groups for other types of staff on campus, outside just teachers and IA's. Also, we are adding days for school walk-throughs.

6.6. DIRECTORS REPORT

There were no reports to share.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.1. BOARD GOALS

The board will discuss if they wish to make changes to their Board Goals for the 2026-2027 school year. Their goals for last year are listed below. Attached are the Semester 2 Final Grades reports.

2025-2026 Board Goals:

1. To address or resolve property boundaries with the Grange.
2. A monthly review of the Strategic Plan: Academic Success, Reading Program, Enrollment Rate, Volunteerism.

The board discusses if they will continue with their board goals or create new goals for the upcoming year. They discuss what information and data they have appreciated receiving.

They reviewed the semester 2 grade data and discussed how much they appreciate this data and how it is presented.

There is nothing new to report about the Grange.

Board members will come to the September meeting with some goal ideas to discuss and adopt.

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

8.1. **MEAL PRICES**

Business Manager Molly Rust will present to recommendation to increase the cost of adult/staff meals.

The current price for adult/staff meals is:

Breakfast--\$1.75

Lunch--\$4.10

The recommended price increase would make adult/staff meals:

Breakfast--\$5.25

Lunch--\$6.50

Director Gamache moved to approve the recommended increase to adult/staff meal prices to \$5.25 for breakfasts and \$6.50 for lunches. This motion, made by Sara Gamache and seconded by Bobbie Jo Brewster, Carried.

Bobbie Jo Brewster: **Yea**

Ciara Clark: **Absent**

Nicole Deering: **Yea**

Meleah Drago: **Yea**

Sara Gamache: **Yea**

Bev Schiesser: **Yea**

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Superintendent Bottensek presents the recommendation for new adult/staff meal prices. It had been a while since we had looked at this in depth. We are increasing so that we are breaking even on a single meal. We have been very low for several years. And the cost of food has gone up significantly.

8.2. **EXECUTIVE ORDER 26-06**

JUSTIFICATION FOR THE DECISION NOT TO RESTORE LOST STUDENT INSTRUCTIONAL TIME

Superintendent Bottensek will provide information about the Executive Order 26-06 and explain the process to determine lost student instructional time. She will provide the board with the information she used to make her decision not restore lost instructional time.

Director Deering move that the Board of Directors of Blachly School District approve the "Public Justification for the Decision Not to Restore Lost Student Instructional Time," as required by Executive Order 26-06 and OAR 581-022-2323, finding that the instructional time lost during the 2025-2026 school year resulted solely from weather-related closures and delays implemented for the safety of students and staff, that the district continues to meet and exceed Oregon's minimum instructional time requirements, and that no additional restoration of instructional time is warranted. I further move that the Board authorize Superintendent Bottensek to publish the approved justification in accordance with Oregon Department of Education requirements. This motion, made by Nicole Deering and seconded by Bev Schiesser, Carried.

Bobbie Jo Brewster: Yea

Ciara Clark: Absent

Nicole Deering: Yea

Meleah Drago: Yea

Sara Gamache: Yea

Bev Schiesser: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Superintendent Bottensek went through the slide presentation attached and answered questions for the board members.

8.3. NEW YEAR BOARD ORGANIZATION AND ANNUAL PROCEDURAL BUSINESS PURSUANT TO ORS 332.040 AND 255.335(5)

8.3.1. ELECT BOARD CHAIR, VICE CHAIR AND APPOINT BOARD SECRETARY

8.3.1.a. FOR CHAIR

The current Chair will accept nominations for the 2026-27 Chair. All nominee(s) should be named and the nominee(s) should accept the nomination before voting on any nominee occurs. Then motions and seconds should be done in the order of nomination. A majority vote is necessary to select the Chair.

Director Schiesser move to select Director Drago as Board Chair for the 2026-27 school year. This motion, made by Bev Schiesser and seconded by Bobbie Jo Brewster, Carried.

Bobbie Jo Brewster: Yea

Ciara Clark: Absent

Nicole Deering: Yea

Meleah Drago: Abstain (With Conflict)

Sara Gamache: Yea

Bev Schiesser: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

Director Brewster and Director Deering nominate Director Drago. Director Drago accepts. The board votes.

8.3.1.b. **FOR VICE CHAIR**

The newly elected Chair will accept nominations for the 2026-27 Vice-Chair. All nominee(s) should be named and the nominee(s) should accept the nomination before voting on any nominee occurs. Then motions and seconds should be done in the order of nomination. A majority vote is necessary to select the Vice-Chair.

Director Schiesser move to select Director Gamache as Board Vice-Chair for the 2026-27 school year. This motion, made by Bev Schiesser and seconded by Meleah Drago, Carried.

Bobbie Jo Brewster: Yea

Ciara Clark: Absent

Nicole Deering: Yea

Meleah Drago: Yea

Sara Gamache: Abstain (With Conflict)

Bev Schiesser: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

Director Schiesser nominates Director Gamache for vice chair

8.3.1.c. **FOR BOARD SECRETARY**

District Board will appoint the Board Secretary.

Director Deering move to appoint Bri Simington as the Board Secretary for the 2026-2027 school year. This motion, made by Nicole Deering and seconded by Meleah Drago, Carried.

Bobbie Jo Brewster: Yea

Ciara Clark: Absent

Nicole Deering: Yea

Meleah Drago: Yea

Sara Gamache: Yea

Bev Schiesser: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Director Deering nominated Bri Simington.

8.4. **REVIEW STATUS OF LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD**

The Board generally decides to serve as its own Local Public Contract Review Board, although it could contract with another public agency to do so. Refer to Policy DJC-Bidding Requirements.

Director Schiesser move to have the Blachly School Board act as its own Local Public Contract Review Board. This motion, made by Bev Schiesser and seconded by Nicole Deering, Carried.

Bobbie Jo Brewster: Yea
Ciara Clark: Absent
Nicole Deering: Yea
Meleah Drago: Yea
Sara Gamache: Yea
Bev Schiesser: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Board Chair Drago asks a couple of questions about the policy tied to this. It's policy DJC.

Superintendent Bottensek shares that she feels that every policy we have has been reviewed by board members twice before approval. She would recommend reaching out to OSBA to get a sample policy of policy DJC so we can see what the options are that local boards can adjust. We could make this a first read for September, the board agrees. The motion would still stand even if we make adjustments to the policy.

8.5. ADOPT RESOLUTION #2026-27-001

- Designate The Register Guard the official district newspaper;
- Establish regular monthly board meeting day as the second Wednesday, at 6 pm, at Triangle Lake Charter School;
- List official depositories of funds (Local Government Investment Pool, U.S. Bank, Oregon Community Credit Union, and SELCO Credit Union);
- Designate Superintendent Brittany Bottensek, or an appointed designee, as chief administrative officer, clerk of the district, federal program coordinator, custodian of funds, executive officer, and administrator of the food services fund;
Authorize Superintendent Brittany Bottensek, _____ (new board chair), _____ (new board vice chair).
- Designate Molly Rust as the one who shall prepare or supervise preparation of the budget document under the direction of the executive officer;
- Adopt new minimum pay rates for substitute teachers in 2026-27 at \$265.80 per 9-hour day for the first 10 days in one assignment; after the first ten (10) days the pay rate becomes \$265.80 per 9-hour day.
- Designate Brown & Brown Northwest, as the official insurance agent for the district. Our property and casualty insurance is through Property and Casualty Coverage for Education (PACE). Sam Jones is our account executive. Our premium for 2026-27 will be \$114,189. Additional carriers sponsored by PACE include Fuel Tank coverage from ACE American Insurance Company for 529 Workman's Compensation insurance coverage by SAIF is estimated at \$21,844.07, and separate Crime Coverage for Triangle Lake Charter School, price to be determined.
- Designate Pauly, Rogers and Co., P.C. as financial auditors for Blachly School District and Triangle Lake Charter School;
- Designate PACE crime coverage of up to \$1,000,000 with \$10,000 deductible each in lieu of surety bonds for the Superintendent and financial managers (ORS 332.525);

▪Designate The Hungerford Law Firm and the OSBA Legal Department as district legal counsel.

Director Gamache moved to approve Resolution #2026-27-001 as presented. This motion, made by Sara Gamache and seconded by Bev Schiesser, Carried.

Bobbie Jo Brewster: Yea

Ciara Clark: Absent

Nicole Deering: Yea

Meleah Drago: Yea

Sara Gamache: Yea

Bev Schiesser: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Board Chair Drago and Vice Chair Gamache are designated for the 2026–2027 school year.

8.6. **ADOPT RESOLUTION #2026-27-002**

To authorize the General Fund (Fund 100) to loan money to the individual grant funds, the food services fund (Fund 295) and athletics fund (298) to be repaid by the end of the ensuing fiscal year.

Director Deering moved to adopt Resolution #2026-27-002 as presented. This motion, made by Nicole Deering and seconded by Meleah Drago, Carried.

Bobbie Jo Brewster: Yea

Ciara Clark: Absent

Nicole Deering: Yea

Meleah Drago: Yea

Sara Gamache: Yea

Bev Schiesser: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

8.7. **ADOPT RESOLUTION #2026-27-003**

To authorize Superintendent Brittany Bottensek, Assistant Principal Katherine Tripp and Executive Secretary Amanda Gast to handle Student Body transactions and Superintendent Brittany Bottensek and Assistant Principal Katherine Tripp to sign checks.

Director Schiesser moved to adopt Resolution #2026-27-003 as presented. This motion, made by Bev Schiesser and seconded by Sara Gamache, Carried.

Bobbie Jo Brewster: Yea

Ciara Clark: Absent

Nicole Deering: Yea

Meleah Drago: Yea

Sara Gamache: Yea

Bev Schiesser: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

8.8. ADOPT RESOLUTION #2026-27-004

To authorize Executive Assistant to the Superintendent Bri Simington, Executive Assistant Amanda Gast and Business Manager Molly Rust to use a signature stamp to sign checks when authorized by Superintendent Brittany Bottensek using written or electronic media during her absence from the district.

Director Schiesser moved to adopt Resolution #2026-27-004 as amended. This motion, made by Bev Schiesser and seconded by Nicole Deering, Carried.

Bobbie Jo Brewster: Yea

Ciara Clark: Absent

Nicole Deering: Yea

Meleah Drago: Yea

Sara Gamache: Yea

Bev Schiesser: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Resolution will get updated to say "her".

9. THE BOARD MAY RECESS THE REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENE EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board will convene an Executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660:

(d) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations,

Board Chair Drago recessed the meeting at 8:35pm for the executive session.

10. RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION

Board Chair Drago reconvened the regular session at 9:26pm

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

11.1. UPCOMING BOARD MEETING

The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 9th, 2026 at 6pm.

Superintendent Bottensek proposes that we move the September meeting to Tuesday, September 15th so that we do not meet the first week of school and will have better attendance data to share. The board agreed.

11.2. AGENDA SETTING TEAM

The board will decide who will be attending the September agenda-setting meeting. Director Gamache will be attending the agenda-setting meeting on September 9th at 1pm.

12. ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING

Board Chair Drago adjourned the meeting at 9:30pm.

Blachly School District
August 31, 2026

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Total Revenue	6,475,712	1,822,834	1,147,318	453,228	452,598	726,620	469,399	357,602	382,223	361,095	353,856	353,886	62,414	6,943,072	467,360
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Expenditures

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Total Expenditures	6,475,712	263,312	150,318	441,951	469,348	465,045	460,388	476,239	480,204	465,241	465,745	466,745	1,347,439	5,951,975	(523,737)
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Ending Fund Balance	-	991,097	991,097
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OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code: BBAA
Adopted:

Individual Board Member's Authority and Responsibilities

An individual Board member exercises the authority and responsibility of their position when the Board is in legal session only.

A Board member has the authority to act in the name of the Board when authorized by a specific Board motion. The affirmative vote of the majority of members of the Board is required to transact any business. When authorized to act as the district's designated representative in collective bargaining, a Board member may make and accept proposals in bargaining subject to subsequent approval by the Board.

When expressing personal opinions in public, the Board member should clearly identify the opinions as their own.

Members will be knowledgeable of information requested through Board action, supplied by the superintendent, gained through attendance at district activities and through professional Board activities.

Members of the Board will adhere to the following in carrying out the responsibilities of membership:

1. Request for Information

Any individual Board member who desires a copy of an existing written report or survey prepared by the administrative staff will make such a request to the superintendent. A copy of the material may be made available to each member of the Board. Requests for the generation of reports or information, which require additional expense to the district, must be submitted to the Board for consideration.

2. Requests for Legal Opinions

Requests for legal [advice or] opinions by a Board member [that will incur a cost for the district] must be approved by a majority vote of the Board before the request is made to legal counsel. [The Board chair is authorized to obtain legal advice or opinions if [advantageous] to do so prior to the next meeting (e.g., advice regarding an executive session or a decision to invite district legal counsel) without a need for Board approval.] Legal counsel is responsible to the Board.

3. Action on Complaints or Requests Made to Board Members

When Board members receive complaints or requests for action from staff, students or members of the public, the Board members will direct the staff, students, members of the public to the appropriate complaint policy [Board policy KL – Public Complaints]. Such information will be conveyed to the superintendent.

4. Board Member's Relationship to Administration

Individual Board members will be informed about the district's educational program, may visit schools or other facilities to gain information, and may request information from the superintendent. No individual Board member may direct the superintendent to action without Board authorization. Board members will not intervene in the administration of the district or its schools.

5. Contracts or Agreements

All contracts of the district must be approved by the Board, unless otherwise delegated by the Board to the superintendent or designee for approval, before an order can be drawn for payment. If a contract is made without authority of the Board, the individual making such contract shall be personally liable.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.045](#)
[ORS 332.055](#)

[ORS 332.057](#)
[ORS 332.075](#)

38 OR. ATTY. GEN. OP. 1995 (1978)

S. Benton Educ. Ass'n v. Monroe Union High Sch. Dist., 83 Or. App. 425 (1987).

OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code: BD/BDA
Adopted:

Board Meetings

{School boards must follow public meeting law regardless of whether the board adopts this policy. This policy reflects public meeting law as amended by House Bill 2805 (2023).}

The Board has the authority to act only when a quorum is present at a duly called regular, special or emergency meeting. “Meeting” means the convening¹ of a quorum of the Board as the district’s governing body to make a decision² or to deliberate³ toward a decision on any matter. This includes meeting for the purpose of gathering information to serve as the basis for a subsequent decision or recommendation by the Board, i.e. a work session. “Meeting” does not include any on-site inspection of any project or program or the attendance of members of the Board at any national, regional or state association to which the Board or its members belong.

The affirmative vote of the majority of members of the Board is required to transact any business.

All regular, special and emergency meetings of the Board will be open to the public except as provided by law. Access to and the ability to attend all meetings (excluding executive sessions) by telephone, video or other electronic or virtual means will be made available when reasonably possible. All meetings will be conducted in compliance with state and federal statutes. [For information how to give or submit public comment [it is outlined in Board policy BDDH - Public Comment at Board Meetings⁴] [and/or] [posted on the district’s website].]

All Board meetings, including Board retreats and work sessions, will be held within district boundaries, except as allowed by law⁵. The Board may attend training sessions outside the district boundaries but cannot deliberate or discuss district business. No meeting will be held at any place where discrimination

¹ “Convening” means: (a) Gathering in a physical location; (b) Using electronic, video or telephonic technology to be able to communicate contemporaneously among participants; (c) Using serial electronic written communications among participants; or (d) Using an intermediary to communicate among participants.

² “Decision” means any determination, action, vote or final disposition upon a motion, proposal, resolution, order, ordinance or measure on which a vote of a governing body is required, at any meeting at which a quorum is present.

³ “Deliberation” means discussion or communication that is part of a decision-making process.

[⁴ When telephone or other electronic means of communication is used during a meeting open to the public, the Board shall make at least one place available to the public where, or at least one electronic means by which, the public can listen during the meeting. At all meetings of the Board open to the public, the public will be provided an opportunity, to the extent reasonably possible, to access and attend the meeting by telephone, video or other electronic or virtual means. If in-person oral testimony (or public comment) is allowed, the public will be provided, to the extent reasonably possible, an opportunity to submit oral testimony during the meeting[, at the designated portion of the agenda,] by telephone, video or other electronic or other means. If in-person written testimony is allowed, the public will be provided, to the extent reasonably possible, an opportunity to submit written testimony including by email or other electronic means, so that the Board is able to consider the submitted testimony in a timely manner.]

⁵ ORS 192.630(4). Meetings of the governing body of a public body shall be held within the geographic boundaries over which the public body has jurisdiction, or at the administrative headquarters of the public body or at the other nearest practical location. Training sessions may be held outside the jurisdiction if no deliberations toward a decision are involved.

on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age or national origin is practiced.

The Board will give public notice reasonably calculated to give actual notice to interested persons, including the news media which have requested notice, of the time and place for all Board meetings and of the principal subjects to be considered. The Board may consider additional subjects at a meeting, even if they are not included in the notice.

If requested to do so at least 48 hours before a meeting held in public, the Board shall make a good faith effort to provide an interpreter for hearing-impaired persons. If the meeting is being held upon less than 48 hours' notice and a request for an interpreter is made, the Board shall make a reasonable effort to have an interpreter present. Other appropriate auxiliary aids and services will be provided upon request and appropriate advance notice.

[⁶] If requested to do so at least [72] hours before a meeting held in public, the Board will make a reasonable effort to provide translation services.]

All meetings held in public shall comply with the Oregon Indoor Clean Air Act.

[The possession of dangerous or deadly weapons and firearms, as defined in law and Board policy, is prohibited on district property.]

1. Regular, Special and Emergency Meetings

Generally, a regular Board meeting will be held each month. The regular meeting schedule will be established at the annual organizational meeting and may be changed by the Board with proper notice. The purpose of each regular monthly meeting will be to conduct the regular Board business.

No later than the next regular meeting following July 1, the Board will hold the annual organizational meeting to elect Board officers for the coming year and to establish the year's schedule of Board meetings. In Board election years (odd numbered years), the first meeting will be held no later than July 31.

Special meetings can be convened by the Board chair, upon request of three Board members, or by common consent of the Board at any time to discuss any topic. [A special meeting may be scheduled if less than a quorum is present at a meeting, additional business still needs to be conducted at the ending time of a meeting, conducting business prior to the next regular meeting would be advantageous to the district or other reasons.] At least 24 hours' notice must be provided to all Board members, the news media which have requested notice, and the general public for any special meeting.

Emergency meetings can be called by the Board in the case of an actual emergency upon appropriate notice under the circumstances. The minutes of the emergency meeting must describe the emergency. Only topics necessitated by the emergency may be discussed or acted upon at the emergency meeting.

⁶ {Districts are encouraged to evaluate translation needs and resources prior to adding this language. A district may decide that translating the agenda, minutes or other documents, or public comment is sufficient.}

2. Communications Outside of Board Meetings

Communications, to, by and among a quorum of Board members outside of a legally called Board meeting, in their capacity as Board members, shall not be used for the purpose of discussing district business. This includes electronic, video or telephonic communications, serial electronic communications among participants and using an intermediary to communicate among participants. Such communications among Board members shall be limited to messages not involving deliberation, debate, decision-making or gathering of information on which to deliberate.

Communications outside of a Board meeting may contain:

- a. Communications to, between or among members of a governing body that are:
 - (1) Purely factual or educational in nature and that convey no deliberation or decision on any matter that might reasonably come before the Board (including agendas and information concerning agenda items);
 - (2) Not related to any matter that, at any time, could reasonably be foreseen to come before the Board for deliberation and decision; or
 - (3) Nonsubstantive in nature, such as communication relating to scheduling, leaves of absence and other similar matters; or
- b. Individual responses to questions posed by community members, subject to other limitations in Board policy.

[E-mails sent to other Board members will have the following notice:

Important: Please do not reply or forward this communication if this communication constitutes a decision or deliberation toward a decision between and among a quorum of a governing body which could be considered a public meeting. Electronic communications on district business are governed by public meetings law.]

3. Private or Social Meetings

Private or social meetings of a quorum of the Board for the purpose of making a decision or to deliberate toward a decision on any matter are prohibited by public meetings law.

4. Work Sessions

The Board may use regular or special meetings for the purpose of conducting work sessions to provide its members with opportunities for planning and thoughtful discussion. Work sessions will be conducted in accordance with state law on public meetings, including notice and minutes. [The Board [may make] [is discouraged from making] official decisions during a work session.] [Generally, Boards do not take official action during work sessions, although there is no legal prohibition to do so.]

5. Executive Sessions

Executive sessions may be held [as an agenda item] during regular, special or emergency meetings for a reason permitted by law. [(See Board policy BDC - Executive Sessions)]

Complaints regarding public meetings laws can be filed with the Board in accordance with Board policy KL – Public Complaints. The Board will respond and provide a copy of the complaint and response to the Oregon Government Ethics Commission within 21 days in accordance with state law.⁷

[⁸] **Mandatory Training**

Every member of the Board shall attend or view a training on public meetings law prepared or approved by the Oregon Government Ethics Commission (OGE) at least once during the Board member’s term of office and shall verify attendance in accordance with OGE procedures.]

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS Chapter 192](#)

[ORS 255.335](#)

[ORS 433.835 - 433.875](#)

[ORS 332.040 - 332.061](#)

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213 (2018); 29 C.F.R. Part 1630 (2020); 28 C.F.R. Part 35 (2020).

Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12133 (2018).

OR. ATTY. GEN. Public Records and Meetings Manual.

⁷ See House Bill 2805 (2023) Section 5(2) for requirements of the response.

⁸ {This is required for Board members in districts with total expenditures for a fiscal year of \$1 million or more. This number will be reviewed by OGE at least once every five years. If the district has total expenditures of less than \$1 million, this language can be kept, but “shall” should be replaced with “is encouraged to.”}

OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code: BDC
Adopted:

Executive Sessions

{Optional policy. School boards can only meet in executive session when statute allows. This policy can be a helpful resource for Board members in determining whether executive session can be used.}

The Board may meet in executive session to discuss subjects allowed by statute but may not take final action except for the expulsion of a student and matters pertaining to or examination of the confidential records of the student.

An executive session may be included as an agenda item of an existing meeting [in accordance with Board policy BDDC - Board Meeting Agenda] or held as its own meeting. Proper notice is required.

If open session is held prior to the executive session, the presiding officer will announce the executive session by identifying the authorization under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 192.660 or ORS 332.061 for holding such session and by noting the subject of the executive session.

The Board may hold an executive session:

1. To consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.¹ (ORS 192.660(2)(a))
2. To consider the dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer², employee, staff member or individual agent who does not request an open hearing. (ORS 192.660(2)(b))
3. To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations. (ORS 192.660(2)(d))
4. To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions. (ORS 192.660(2)(e))
5. To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection. (ORS 192.660(2)(f))

¹ This provision does not apply to the filling of a vacancy in elective office or on any public committee, commission or other advisory group; or for the consideration of general employment policies. Prior to holding an executive session under ORS 192.660(2)(a), the Board must ensure

- a. The vacancy has been advertised;
- b. Regular hiring procedures have been adopted;
- c. If hiring an officer, the public has had the opportunity to comment on the employment of the officer; and
- d. If hiring a chief executive officer, the Board has adopted hiring standards, criteria and policy directives in meetings open to the public in which the public has had the opportunity to comment on the standards, criteria and policy directives.

² To determine whether the individual involved is considered a public officer, consult with legal counsel.

6. To consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed. (ORS 192.660(2)(h))
7. To review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer of any public body, a public officer, employee or staff member who does not request an open hearing. (ORS 192.660(2)(i))
8. To consider matters relating to school safety or a plan that responds to safety threats made toward a school. (ORS 192.660(2)(k))
9. To consider matters relating to the safety of the governing body and of public body staff and volunteers and the security of public body facilities and meeting spaces. (ORS 192.660(2)(o))
10. To consider matters relating to cyber security infrastructure and responses to cyber security threats. (ORS 192.660(2)(p))
11. To review the expulsion of a minor student from a public elementary or secondary school. (ORS 332.061(1)(a))
12. To review matters pertaining to or examination of the confidential records of a student. (ORS 332.061(1)(b))

Members of the press may attend executive sessions except those matters pertaining to:

1. Deliberations with persons designated by the Board to carry on labor negotiations;
2. Hearings on the expulsion of a minor student or examination of the confidential records of a student; and
3. Current litigation or litigation likely to be filed if the member of the news media is a party to the litigation or is an employee, agent or contractor of a news media organization that is a party to the litigation.

If an executive session is held pursuant to ORS 332.061, the following shall not be made public: the name of the minor student; the issue, including the student's confidential records; the discussion; and each Board member's vote on the issue.

Minutes shall be kept for all executive sessions.

Content discussed in executive sessions is confidential except as provided by law. Board members and the media are instructed not to disclose information obtained in executive session except when specifically authorized to do so or as required by law.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 192.660](#)

[ORS 332.045](#)

[ORS 332.061](#)

OR. ATTY. GEN. Public Records and Meetings Manual.

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OSBA Model Sample Policy

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Executive Sessions

The Board may meet in executive session to discuss subjects allowed by statute under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 192.660 or ORS 332.061 but may not take final action in executive session except for the expulsion of a student and matters pertaining to or examination of the confidential records of the student in accordance with ORS 332.061.

An executive session may be included as an agenda item of a meeting open to the public in accordance with Board policy BDDC - Board Meeting Agenda or held as its own meeting. Public notice is required as outlined in Board policy BD – Board Meetings, Notices and Communications.

If an executive session is held as part of a meeting open to the public, the Board chair will announce the executive session in compliance with Board policy BD – Board Meetings, Notices and Communications and include and identify the appropriate statutory citation, appropriate subsection and the paragraph authorizing the session under ORS 192.660 or ORS 332.061 for holding such session and by noting the general subject of the executive session.

Example:

“The Board will now meet in executive session under ORS 192.660(2)(a) to consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.”

Prior to or at the beginning of the executive session, the Board chair may read the following¹:

“Representatives of the news media and designated staff shall be allowed to attend the executive session. All other members of the audience are asked to leave the room. Representatives of the news media are specifically directed not to report on or otherwise disclose any of the deliberations or anything said about these subjects during the executive session, except to state the general subject of the session as previously announced. No decision may be made in executive session. At the end of the executive session, we will return to open session and welcome the audience back into the room.”

The Board may hold an executive session:

1. To consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent; may not include a discussion or negotiation of compensation (including salaries and benefits).²

¹ This statement should be amended if ORS 192.660 does not require that representatives of the news media be allowed to attend, ORS 332.061 allows the Board to vote in executive session, or the Board will not be returning to open session following the executive session. This statement can also be included on the agenda.

² This provision does not apply to the filling of a vacancy in elective office or on any public committee, commission or other advisory group; or for the consideration of general employment policies. It also does not apply to the employment of the chief executive officer, other public officers, employees and staff members of the district unless:

- a. The vacancy has been advertised;
- b. Regular hiring procedures have been adopted;
- c. If hiring an officer, the public has had the opportunity to comment on the employment of the officer; and

(ORS 192.660(2)(a))

2. To consider the dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer³, employee, staff member or individual agent who does not request an open hearing⁴; may not include a discussion or negotiation of compensation (including salaries and benefits). (ORS 192.660(2)(b))
3. To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations. (ORS 192.660(2)(d))
4. To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions. (ORS 192.660(2)(e))
5. To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection.⁵ (ORS 192.660(2)(f))
6. To consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.⁶ (ORS 192.660(2)(h))
7. To review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer of any public body, a public officer, employee or staff member who does not request an open hearing⁷; may not include a discussion or negotiation of compensation (including salaries and benefits or a general

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- d. If hiring a chief executive officer, the Board has adopted hiring standards, criteria and policy directives in meetings open to the public in which the public has had the opportunity to comment on the standards, criteria and policy directives.

³ To determine whether the individual involved is considered a public officer, consult with legal counsel.

⁴ Notice must be provided to the public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent in accordance with OAR 199-0040-0030. The public official must receive written notice of the meeting no less than one business day or 24 hours, whichever is greater, in advance of the meeting. The notice must include:

- a. Identification of the governing body before which the matter will be considered (the Board);
- b. The time, date and location of the meeting;
- c. The purpose for which the governing body proposes to convene the executive session, including the citation to the applicable section of ORS 192.660 and the fact that the governing body will be considering the dismissal or disciplining of, hearing complaints or charges against, or reviewing and evaluating the performance of the public official receiving the notice; and
- d. Information on how the public official may make a request for an open hearing.

⁵ Consider including a reference to the law that exempts the information or records from public inspection in the notice.

⁶ Legal counsel must be present in the executive session, either in-person or via electronic or telephonic communications.

⁷ Notice must be provided to the chief executive officer, public officer, employee or staff member in accordance with OAR 199-0040-0030. The public official must receive written notice of the meeting no less than one business day or 24 hours, whichever is greater, in advance of the meeting. The notice must include:

- a. Identification of the governing body before which the matter will be considered (the Board);
- b. The time, date and location of the meeting;
- c. The purpose for which the governing body proposes to convene the executive session, including the citation to the applicable section of ORS 192.660 and the fact that the governing body will be considering the dismissal or disciplining of, hearing complaints or charges against, or reviewing and evaluating the performance of the public official receiving the notice; and
- d. Information on how the public official may make a request for an open hearing.

evaluation of an agency, goal, objective or operation or any directive to personnel concerning agency goals, objectives, operations or programs.

(ORS 192.660(2)(i))

8. To consider matters relating to school safety or a plan that responds to safety threats made toward a school. (ORS 192.660(2)(k))
9. To consider matters relating to the safety of the governing body and of public body staff and volunteers and the security of public body facilities and meeting spaces. (ORS 192.660(2)(o))
10. To consider matters relating to cyber security infrastructure and responses to cyber security threats. (ORS 192.660(2)(p))
11. To review the expulsion of a minor student from a public elementary or secondary school. (ORS 332.061(1)(a))
12. To review matters pertaining to or examination of the confidential records of a student. (ORS 332.061(1)(b))

Members of the press may attend executive sessions except those matters pertaining to:

1. Deliberations with persons designated by the Board to carry on labor negotiations;
2. Hearings on the expulsion of a minor student or examination of the confidential records of a student; and
3. Current litigation or litigation likely to be filed if the member of the news media is a party to the litigation or is an employee, agent or contractor of a news media organization that is a party to the litigation.

If an executive session is held pursuant to ORS 332.061, the following shall not be made public: the name of the minor student; the issue, including the student's confidential records; the discussion; and each Board member's vote on the issue.

Recordings or minutes shall be kept for all executive sessions in accordance with state law and Board policy – BDDG – Recordings and Minutes of Board Meetings.

Content discussed in executive sessions and recordings or minutes for executive sessions are confidential except as provided by law. Board members, district employees and the media are instructed not to disclose information obtained in executive session except when specifically authorized to do so or as required or allowed by law.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 192.660](#)
[ORS 192.685](#)
[ORS 192.705](#)
[ORS 332.045](#)

[ORS 332.061](#)
[OAR 199-040-0015 - 0060](#)
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OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code: BDDC
Adopted:

Board Meeting Agenda

The Board chair, with the assistance of the superintendent, will prepare an agenda for all regular meetings of the Board. Items of business may be suggested by any Board member, staff member, student or patron of the district by notifying the [superintendent] [Board chair] at least [three] working days prior to the meeting.

[A consent agenda may be used by the Board for noncontroversial business. The consent agenda will consist of routine business that requires action but not necessarily discussion. These items may all be approved at the same time. A Board member may ask that any item be removed from the consent agenda. The removed item will then be placed on the regular agenda.]

The agenda will follow a general order established by the Board. Opportunities for the audience to be heard may be included on the agenda. The Board will follow the order of business set up by the agenda unless the order is altered by a consensus of the Board.

Items of business not on the agenda may be discussed and acted upon if the majority of the Board agrees to consider them.

The agenda, together with supporting materials, will be distributed by the district office or superintendent to Board members at least [three] full working days prior to the meeting. The agenda will be available to the press and to interested patrons through the superintendent's office at the same time it is available to the Board members. Copies of the agenda for the press and public will not contain any confidential information included in the Board members' packets.

A copy of the agenda will be posted [on the district website] [in each district facility] on the day of the meeting. [Members of the public may request a copy of the agenda through the superintendent's office.]

The district will ensure equally effective communications are provided to qualified persons with disabilities, upon request, as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Appropriate auxiliary aids and services may include, but are not limited to, qualified interpreters, assistive listening systems, note takers, large print, Braille materials, audio recordings and readers. Primary consideration will be given to the request of the person with a disability in the selection of the appropriate auxiliary aid and/or service. Should the Board demonstrate such a request would result in a fundamental alteration in the service, program or activity or an undue financial and administrative burden, an alternate, equally effective communication will be used.

Auxiliary aids and services for persons with disabilities will be available at no charge to the individual.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

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Board Meeting Agenda – BDDC

[ORS 192.630](#)

[ORS 192.640](#)

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213 (2012); 29 C.F.R. Part 1630 (2015); 28 C.F.R. Part 35 (2015).
Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008.

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OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code: BBAA
Adopted:

Board Member's Authority and Responsibilities

An individual Board member exercises the authority and responsibility of their position when the Board is in a meeting which is being held in accordance with Oregon's Public Meetings Law. A Board member has the authority to act in the name of the Board only when authorized by a specific Board motion. The affirmative vote of the majority of members of the Board is required to transact any business.

When authorized to act as the district's designated representative in collective bargaining, a Board member may make and accept proposals in bargaining subject to subsequent approval by the Board.

Board members may speak on behalf of the Board or district only when specifically authorized to do so. Any other statements do not represent the position of the Board or district. When expressing personal opinions in public, Board members are encouraged to clearly identify the opinions as their own.

All Board members shall maintain awareness of relevant district information and participate in Board functions and professional Board development activities.

All members of the Board will adhere to the following in carrying out the responsibilities of membership:

1. Request for Records

Any individual Board member who desires a copy of an existing record may make such a request to the superintendent. Requests involving confidential records or significant staff time will be referred to the Board for approval.

2. Requests for Legal Opinions

Requests for legal advice or opinions by a Board member that will incur a cost for the district must be approved by a majority vote of the Board before the request is made to legal counsel. The Board chair is authorized to obtain legal advice or opinions if advantageous to do so prior to the next meeting (e.g., advice regarding an executive session or a decision to invite district legal counsel) without a need for Board approval. Legal counsel is responsible to the Board.

3. Action on Complaints or Requests Made to a Board Member

When a Board member receives complaints or requests for action from staff, students or members of the public, the Board member will direct the staff, students, members of the public to the public complaint policy Board policy KL – Public Complaints. Such information will be conveyed to the superintendent. An individual Board member is not authorized to independently act on complaints.

4. Board Member's Communication with Administration

No individual Board member may direct the superintendent or other staff to action without Board authorization. No Board member will intervene in the administration of the district or its schools.

5. Contracts or Agreements

All district contracts must be approved by the Board, unless otherwise delegated by the Board to the superintendent or designee for approval before an order can be drawn for payment. If a contract is made without authority of the Board, the individual making such contract shall be personally liable.

6. Visits to Schools

A Board members may visit schools in accordance with Board policy BG – Board–Staff Communications.

7. Public Meetings Law

All Board members will comply with Public Meetings Law.

8. Mandatory Reporting

A Board member having reasonable cause to believe that any child with whom the Board member comes in contact has suffered abuse or that any person with whom the Board member comes in contact has abused a child shall immediately make an oral report or cause an oral report be made to Department of Human Services¹ or local law enforcement.

9. Oregon Ethics Laws

All Board members will adhere to Oregon Government Ethics laws, including filing the statement of economic interest as required by Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 244.

10. Confidential Information

All Board members will not disclose confidential information received as part of Board service.

11. Other Laws, Policies, Agreements and Procedures

All Board members will follow all laws, Board policies, working agreements, and any other procedures established by the district.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 192.311 – 192.478](#)
[ORS 192.610 – 192.705](#)
[ORS Chapter 244](#)

[ORS 332.045](#)
[ORS 332.055](#)
[ORS 332.057](#)

[ORS 332.075](#)
[ORS 332.107](#)
[ORS 419B.010](#)

38 OR. ATTY. GEN. OP. 1995 (1978)

S. Benton Educ. Ass’n v. Monroe Union High Sch. Dist., 83 Or. App. 425 (1987).

¹ (855) 503-SAFE (7233)

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Board Meetings, Notices and Communications

Definitions

“Communication” means the expression or transmission of information from one person to another through verbal, non-verbal, written, or electronic means. Non-verbal means include gestures, such as thumbs-up and thumbs-down, as well as sign language.

“Convening” means gathering in a physical location, using electronic, video or telephonic technology to be able to communicate contemporaneously among participants, using serial electronic written communication among participants, or using an intermediary to communicate among participants.

“Decision” means any determination, action, vote or final disposition upon a motion, proposal, resolution, order, ordinance or measure on which a vote of the Board¹ is required, at any meeting at which a quorum is present.

“Decision-making process” means the process the Board engages in to make a decision, such as: (a) identifying or selecting the nature of the decision to be made; (b) gathering information related to the decision to be made; (c) identifying and assessing alternatives; (d) weighing information; and (e) making a decision.

“Deliberation” means discussion or communication that is part of a decision-making process.

“Executive session” means any meeting or part of a meeting of the Board that is closed to certain persons for deliberation on certain matters.

“Intermediary” means a person who is used to facilitate communications among members of the Board about a matter subject to deliberation or decision by the Board, by sharing information received from a member of the Board with other members of the Board. The term “intermediary” can include a member of the Board.

“Meeting” means the convening of the Board for which a quorum is required in order to make a decision or to deliberate toward a decision on any matter. Meeting does not include any on-site inspection of any project or program or the attendance of members of the Board at any national, regional or state association to which the Board or the members belong.

“Public Meetings Law” means Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 192.610 – 192.705 and Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) 199-040 and 199-050.

“Quorum” means the minimum number of members of the Board required to legally transact business. For the Board, a quorum is four Board members.

¹ This policy is written to apply to the Board. Other bodies, including Board committees, may be subject to public meeting laws. This policy may help other bodies understand what is required, but is intended as direction for the Board.

“Work session” or “workshop” means meetings held for the purpose of either presenting information to the Board to prepare for a regular or special meeting, or to allow the Board to engage in preliminary discussions or deliberations.

Board Authority at Meetings

The Board has the authority to act only when a quorum is present at a properly noticed regular, special or emergency meeting. The affirmative vote of four members of the Board is required to transact any business.

Types of Meetings

The Public Meetings Law applies to all regular, special, emergency, executive session and work session meetings of the Board.

1. Regular Meetings

The regular meeting schedule will be established at the annual organizational meeting each year and may be changed by the Board with public notice. The purpose of each regular meeting will be to conduct the regular Board business.

2. Special Meetings

A special meeting may be scheduled when less than a quorum is present at a regular meeting and therefore no business may be conducted, additional business still needs to be conducted at the ending time of a meeting, conducting business prior to the next regular meeting would be advantageous to the district, or other reasons. Special meetings may be convened by the Board chair, upon request of three Board members, or by common consent of the Board.

3. Emergency Meetings

Emergency meetings may be called in the case of an actual emergency upon appropriate notice under the circumstances. Only topics necessitated by the emergency may be discussed or acted upon at the emergency meeting.

4. Work Sessions

The Board may use regular or special meetings for the purpose of conducting work sessions to provide its members with opportunities for planning and thoughtful discussion. Work sessions will be conducted in accordance with Public Meetings Law. The Board may make official decisions during a work session.

5. Executive Sessions

Executive sessions may be held during regular, special or emergency meetings for a reason permitted by law. (See Board policy BDC – Executive Sessions).

Communications Outside of a Board Meeting (Serial Meetings Prohibited)

Private meetings where a quorum of the Board engages in discussions or communications that are part of the Board's decision-making process on matters within the authority of the Board violate Public Meetings Law, except as part of an executive session.

A quorum of Board members shall not, outside of a meeting conducted in compliance with Public Meetings Laws, use a series of communications of any kind, directly or through intermediates, for the purpose of deliberating or deciding on any matter that is within the jurisdiction of the Board. This prohibition applies to using any one or a combination of the following methods of communication:

1. In-person;
2. Telephone calls;
3. Videos, videoconferencing, or electronic video applications;
4. Written communication, including electronic written communications, such as email, texts, and other electronic applications;
5. Use of one or more intermediaries to convey information among members; and
6. Any other means of conveying information.

Communications outside of a Board meeting may contain communications between or among members of the Board, including a quorum, that are:

1. Purely factual or educational in nature and that convey no deliberation or decision on any matter that might reasonably come before the Board;
2. Not related to any matter that, at any time, could reasonably be foreseen to come before the Board for deliberation and decision; or
3. Nonsubstantive in nature, such as communication relating to scheduling, leaves of absence and other similar matters.

E-mails sent to other Board members are encouraged to have the following notice:

Important: Please do not reply or forward this communication if this communication could constitute a decision or deliberation toward a decision between and among members of the district board. Board member electronic communications on district business are subject to Public Meetings and Public Records Law.

A quorum of Board members may attend social meetings or gatherings so long as no discussions or deliberations are had.

Meeting Location, Public Accommodations and Logistical Requirements

All meetings will be open to the public except as provided by law.

All Board meetings, including Board retreats and work sessions, will be held within district boundaries, except as allowed by law². The Board may attend training sessions outside the district boundaries but may not deliberate or discuss district business. No meeting will be held at any place where discrimination on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age or national origin is practiced. Meeting locations shall be accessible to persons with disabilities.

Any Board meeting may be held in person, through the use of electronic or telephonic means, or in some combination of in-person, electronic or telephonic means.

Access to and the ability to attend all meetings (excluding executive sessions) by telephone, video or other electronic or virtual means will be made available when reasonably possible. For Board meetings (excluding executive session) held by telephone or other electronic means of communication, the district shall make available a place or an electronic means by which the public can listen to or view the meetings in real time. The place provided may be a place where no Board member is present.

For executive sessions where the media are statutorily authorized to be present, if any person, including any Board member, is attending the executive session by telephone, video, or other electronic means, the district shall provide members of the media the same attendance option. The district may establish reasonable security measures to ensure the media's attendance by telephone, video, or other electronic means is conducted through a secure connection or method.

If requested to do so at least 48 hours before a meeting held in public, the Board shall make a good faith effort to provide an interpreter for persons who are deaf or hard of hearing. The request should include the name of the requester, sign language preference and any other relevant information requested. If the meeting is being held upon less than 48 hours' notice and a request for an interpreter is made, the Board shall make a reasonable effort to have an interpreter present. Other appropriate aids and services may be provided upon request and appropriate advance notice.

If requested to do so at least 72 hours before a meeting held in public, the Board will make a reasonable effort to provide translation services.

Recordings or minutes will be kept for all meetings in accordance with state law and Board policy BDDG – Recordings or Minutes of Board Meetings.

All meetings shall comply with applicable provisions of the Oregon Indoor Clean Air Act.

The possession of a firearm, deadly weapon or any other instrument used as a dangerous weapon is prohibited at Board meetings, except as authorized by law.

Public Notice Requirements

The district posts public notice of its meetings on the district's website or on a publicly accessible website hosted by a third-party that is linked to the district's website.

The public notice shall identify the following:

² ORS 192.630(4). Meetings of the governing body of a public body shall be held within the geographic boundaries over which the public body has jurisdiction, or at the administrative headquarters of the public body or at the other nearest practical location. Training sessions may be held outside the jurisdiction if no deliberations toward a decision are involved.

1. The time, date, location of the meeting, and, to the extent reasonably possible, will include the electronic link or telephone access information to allow members of the public to attend the meeting by telephone or electronic means;
2. The agenda or list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered at the meeting and will be specific enough to permit the public to recognize matters in which they are interested. The Board may amend the agenda or may add or remove items from the list of principal subjects prior to or during a meeting. See Board policy BDDC – Board Meeting Agenda for additional meeting agenda information; and
3. The name, telephone number, and email address of a person at the district office to contact to request an interpreter or other communication aids or a statement that the district will provide a sign language interpreter or other communication aids at the meeting.

The district will provide notice to interested persons and news representatives who have requested notice through means reasonably calculated to provide actual notice to interested persons known to the Board.

For all regular meetings, the meeting notice shall be provided with as much advance notice as reasonably possible, but no less than 48 hours' advance notice.

For all special meetings, the meeting notice shall be provided with no less than 24 hours' advance notice.

For an emergency meeting, public notice shall be provided with as much advance notice as reasonably possible given the emergency circumstances. The district shall attempt to contact the media and other interested persons to inform them of the emergency meeting by telephone, email, social media, or other method reasonably calculated to provide actual notice. If reasonably possible under the emergency circumstances, the emergency meeting notice shall be conspicuously displayed on the district's website or on a publicly accessible website hosted by a third-party hosted and linked to the district's website.

If a meeting will include an executive session, the notice shall comply with the above notice requirements and the notice shall also identify the specific statutory citation and appropriate subsection and paragraph authorizing the executive session, as well as a general description of the statutory authorization. Example:

“The Board will meet in executive session under ORS 192.660(2)(a) to consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.”

If an executive session is to be part of an open regular, special, or emergency meeting, the notice shall comply with the above notice requirements and prior to entering the executive session, the Board chair shall make a public announcement and identify in open session the specific statutory provision and appropriate subsection and paragraph authorizing the executive session, as well as a general description of the statutory authorization (See Board policy BDC – Executive Sessions for additional information on executive sessions.)

Complaints

Complaints regarding Public Meetings Laws can be filed in accordance with Public Meetings Law complaint procedures outlined in Board policy KL – Public Complaints. Complaints must be filed within 30 days of the alleged violation.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS Chapter 192](#)
[ORS 332.040 - 332.061](#)

[ORS 332.107](#)
[ORS 433.835 - 433.875](#)

[OAR 199-050-0005 – 199-050-0085](#)

OR. ATTY. GEN. *Public Records and Meetings Manual*.

OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code:
Adopted:

BDDC

Board Meeting Agenda

The Board chair will direct the preparation of an agenda for all meetings of the Board. The Board chair may seek assistance from the superintendent or another Board member. Items of business may be suggested by any Board member, staff member, student or patron of the district by notifying the Board chair or superintendent at least five working days prior to the meeting. The agenda will include the principal subjects anticipated to be considered at the meeting and be specific enough to permit the public to recognize the matters in which they are interested. When the agenda includes an executive session, the agenda shall identify the specific statutory citation and appropriate subsection and paragraph authorizing the executive session, as well as a general description of the statutory authorization. (See Board policy BDC – Executive Sessions for additional information.)

The Board chair may direct an amendment to the agenda until it is posted, including adding or removing items. The Board may also amend the agenda during a meeting by a majority vote of the Board. This includes adding items to the agenda during the meeting.

A consent agenda may be used by the Board. The consent agenda will consist of routine business that requires action but not necessarily discussion. These items may all be voted on and approved at the same time. An item on the consent agenda will be removed from the consent agenda upon request of a Board member prior to the consent agenda's consideration. The item removed from the consent agenda will then be placed on the regular agenda.

The agenda, together with supporting materials, will be distributed to Board members at least three full working days prior to the meeting. A copy of the agenda will be posted on the district website at least 48 hours prior to any regular meeting and 24 hours prior to any special meeting.

Copies of the agenda for the press and public will not contain any confidential information included in Board member packets.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 192.630](#)

[ORS 192.640](#)

[OAR 199-050-0040](#)

Americans with Disabilities Act/Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213 (2018); 29 C.F.R. Part 1630 (2020); 28 C.F.R. Part 35 (2020).

OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code:
Adopted:

BDDG

Recordings and Minutes of Board Meetings

The Board will ensure a video recording is made of all of its meetings and portions of meetings that are not held in executive session. These recordings will be posted on the district's website or social media site within seven days following the meeting.

A video or audio recording of a meeting can be kept as the official record as long as all required content is included and it is kept in an allowable format¹. Alternatively, the district may create written minutes. Written minutes do not need to be a verbatim transcript and can be kept in hard copy or electronic form².

The official record must give a true reflection of the matters discussed at the meeting and the views of the participants, and must include the following information:

1. All members of the Board present;
2. All motions, proposals, resolutions, orders, ordinances and measures proposed and their disposition;
3. The results of all votes and the vote of each member by name for all actions taken³;
4. The substance of any discussion on any matter; and
5. A reference to any document discussed at the meeting.

If written minutes are created for meetings which do not take place in executive session, those minutes shall be available to the public within a reasonable time⁴ after the meeting. These minutes [will be published to the district website and] may be requested from the district office.

Recordings or minutes⁵ of executive sessions will be kept in the same manner as other meetings of the Board. If disclosure of material from executive session recordings or minutes would be inconsistent with the purpose for which executive session was held under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 192.660, the material may be withheld from disclosure. Executive session minutes of a hearing held under ORS

¹ Oregon Administrator Rule (OAR) 166-017-0045(4) requires moving images or audio recordings be kept in MP2, MP3, MP4, or WAVE formats.

² Oregon Administrator Rule (OAR) 166-017-0045(4) requires textual data or still images be kept in XML, ODT, TXT, PDF, RTF, PREG, JFIF, PNG, or TIFF formats.

³ If minutes are kept in a recorded form, all voting will use a roll call vote and if minutes are kept in written form the minutes will identify the vote of each member by name under each board action.

⁴ {The Oregon Attorney General's *Public Records and Meetings Manual* says, "three weeks arguably is within the reasonable time allowed by statute."}

⁵ "...a record of any executive session may be kept in the form of a sound or video tape or digital recording, which need not be transcribed unless otherwise provided by law." ORS 192.650(2)

332.061 shall contain only material not excluded under ORS 332.061(2) and information⁶ will not be disclosed in accordance with ORS 332.061.

Either the recording or minutes of Board meetings will be kept permanently. If written minutes are created for any meetings of the Board, any recordings will be kept for at least one year after the minutes are created.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 192.610 - 192.705](#)
[ORS 332.061](#)

[OAR 166-017-0005 - 0095](#)
[OAR 166-400-0010\(9\)](#)

[OAR 199-050-0060](#)

Attorney General's PUBLIC RECORDS AND MEETINGS MANUAL.

⁶ORS 332.061 prohibits the disclosure of:

1. The name of the minor student;
2. The issue, including a student's confidential records;
3. The discussion; and
4. The school board member's vote on the issue.

OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code: CBA
Adopted:

Qualifications and Duties of the Superintendent

The Board requires the superintendent be a strong educational leader who has the following professional experience and training:

1. A current license that qualifies the individual to serve as superintendent of the district;
2. A master's degree or higher in the field of education, preferably in educational administration;
3. Successful teaching experience at the elementary or secondary school level;
4. Service as a superintendent or administrative experience in the central administration of a school system.

In lieu of the experience and training requirements above, the Board may consider as a candidate for its superintendent's position an individual who meets alternative licensure requirements. The Board may take steps to assist an individual to qualify for such a license.

The superintendent will have the following personal and professional qualities:

1. Success in leadership roles with staff, community and professional peers;
2. Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing;
3. Scholarship, intelligence and excellent ability to plan and organize;
4. Training, experience and success in personnel selection, evaluation and development;
5. Knowledge of curriculum development, implementation and evaluation;
6. Knowledge of business and support service systems which facilitate planning, control and accountability;
7. Experience in administering collective bargaining agreements;
8. Ability to motivate other administrators and significantly involve them in the decision-making process;
9. Strong management skills; and the desire and ability to motivate and innovate, taking advantage of the district's strengths.

General Functions

1. The superintendent is the chief executive officer of the district and, under the direction of the Board, is responsible for control and operation of the school system, and for implementing the decisions and policies of the Board.
2. The superintendent has the authority to formulate and delegate duties and responsibilities to subordinate administrative personnel. The delegation of such duties and responsibilities, however, will not relieve the superintendent of responsibility for the action taken under such delegation.

Specific Functions

The superintendent will have the duty and authority to perform the following specific functions:

1. Review data regularly and lead the district in enacting equitable changes to improve educational outcomes for every student;
2. Serve as educational leader to the Board, staff and community;
3. Act as the district's chief administrative officer;
4. Serve as district school clerk, performing such duties as required by law or by the Board;
5. Support the Board with scheduling meeting places, providing for required notices, and ensuring any required recordings or minutes are created for all Board meetings and for all committee meetings authorized by the Board, as appropriate;
6. Attend all regular and special meetings of the Board, except when excused;
7. Serve as executive officer of the budget committee and prepare an educational plan that is the basis for formulating the district's budget;
8. Administer adopted Board policies;
9. Regularly review adopted Board policies and make recommendations for needed changes;
10. Advise, inform and make recommendations to the Board on matters of policy and other required action(s), and inform the Board on all phases of district operation;
11. Provide an ongoing program of communication to and from the community, staff and Board concerning district programs and activities;
12. Assess trends and changing procedures in salary negotiations and assist the Board in collective bargaining and salary consultation with district employee groups;
13. Serve as a member of the Board's salary consultation and negotiations teams, and make recommendations to the Board on all issues;
14. Direct the implementation and administration of all agreements resulting from the consultation or negotiation process;
15. Develop and file a complete list of position descriptions, with job descriptions within each classification for all classes of personnel; review and change those descriptions as needed or directed by the Board;
16. Formulate and recommend for Board adoption such personnel policies as may be necessary for efficient functioning of the district staff;
17. Make rules and reasonable regulations to govern routine matters and see that such rules and regulations are communicated to employees concerned;
18. Resolve problems of operations and settle disputes referred through administrative channels;
19. Work with staff organizations and committees in the development of sound personnel practices and procedures and provide for their implementation;

20. Assume responsibility for the development, maintenance and operation of a constructive program of in-service, training and education for all school system employees. For this responsibility, the superintendent may employ lecturers, grant temporary leave from work, approve reimbursement for extension or college courses and develop professional library facilities as required, subject to Board approval;
21. Recommend to the Board, the appointment, renewal, contract extension, contract nonrenewal, contract non-extension or dismissal of licensed district employees in accordance with state law, Board policy and the employee's collective bargaining agreement, as applicable;
22. Appoint, promote, demote or discharge classified and non-represented employees as provided by state law, Board policy, collective bargaining agreements and meet and confer agreements, as applicable;
23. Assign or transfer all district employees in accordance with state law, Board policy and the employee's collective bargaining agreement, as applicable;
24. Evaluate the performance of all district administrative personnel in accordance with state law and Board policy, and make recommendations for those positions to the Board before March 15 of each year;
25. Provide for performance evaluations of licensed and classified personnel in accordance with state law, Board policy and the employee's collective bargaining agreement, as applicable;
26. Assign and control the promotion of students;
27. Maintain a continuous inventory of all district property, furniture, material and supplies;
28. Recommend plans for repairs to district property and for new construction and see that all plans adopted by the Board are properly executed;
29. Establish procedures to involve teachers, principals, supervisory personnel and representatives from student and community groups in the preparation and selection of courses of study and other instructional materials;
30. Recommend instructional materials, instructional supplies and school equipment to be purchased by the district;
31. Direct the preparation of the budget, prepare the budget message for presentation to the budget committee, supervise the administration of all fiscal policies of the district and serve as custodian of all district funds;
32. Develop and recommend to the Board long-range plans for educational programs, facilities and financial resources that are consistent with population trends, district goals and community needs;
33. Direct the district in its relationships with federal, state and local government agencies;
34. Cooperate with universities and colleges in their student-teacher training programs;
35. Attend local, state and national meetings, conferences and workshops as deemed beneficial to the interests of the district;
36. Visit, as may be required, all district schools as a regular part of a schedule and institute and carry out such regulations, as may be necessary, to attain their efficient operation;

37. Direct the administrative staff in establishing and changing, as needed, school attendance area boundaries subject to Board approval;
38. In cases of matters not specifically covered by Board policies, take appropriate action and report such action to the Board no later than the next regular Board meeting;
39. Have other power and duties as may be approved by the Board, and as may be necessary to fulfill the functions of the office of superintendent.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.075](#)
[ORS 342.143](#)
[ORS 342.173](#)

[ORS 342.850](#)
[OAR 584-020-0000 - 0035](#)
[OAR 584-046-0003 - 0024](#)

[OAR 584-080-0151](#)
[OAR 584-080-0152](#)
[OAR 584-080-0161](#)

OSBA Model Sample Policy

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Adopted:

Budget Committee (Version 2)

Organization, Membership and Terms of Office

The district budget committee will consist of the seven members of the Board and seven electors appointed by the Board as required by law. The term of the appointed members of a budget committee in a district that prepares an annual budget, will each be three years, with appointments made so that, as nearly as practicable, the terms of one-third of the members end each year. At least one member of the budget committee must be a member of the district's educational equity advisory committee.¹ The Board will establish appropriate timelines and procedures for the appointment of budget committee members.

A majority of the constituted committee is required for passing an action item. Majority for a 14-member budget committee is 8. Therefore, if only 8 members are present, a unanimous vote is needed for passing an action item.

Presiding Officer and Orientation of Budget Committee

1. Organization: The budget committee will hold its first regular organizational meeting on a day set by the Board. A presiding officer shall be elected from among its members at this meeting. Such meeting may be prior to or on the date the budget message and document are presented.
2. Background Information: Budget committee members will be provided with data for the ensuing year(s), such as the Board's educational plan, and other pertinent material bearing on the preparation of the district budget.

Meetings of the Budget Committee

The district's budget committee shall hold one or more meetings to receive the budget message, the budget document and to provide members of the public with an opportunity to ask questions about and comment on the budget document. The budget officer shall announce the time and place for all meetings, as provided by law. All meetings of the budget committee are open to the public.

Function of the Budget Committee

It is the function of the budget committee to approve budget estimates for an educational plan previously determined by the Board. No new program should be considered for the budget estimate that has not previously been submitted to the Board and approved as a part of the educational plan. The budget committee will determine levels of spending, but will not determine programs.

¹ {The budget committee is not required to include a member of the educational equity advisory committee until a vacancy on the budget committee occurs by a member who is not also a member of the school district board.} The district is not required to include a member of the educational equity advisory committee on the budget committee if no member of the committee is willing or able to serve on the budget committee.

Final Action

The budget committee will approve an estimated district budget document for submission to the Board.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 174](#).130

[ORS 192](#).610 - 192.695

[ORS 294](#).305 - 294.565

[ORS 328](#).542

[ORS 329](#).711

[ORS 433](#).835 - 433.875

[OAR 581](#)-022-2307

House Bill 4066 (2026)

OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code: EBBA
Adopted:

Student Health Services */**

Although the district's primary responsibility is to educate students, the students' health and general welfare is also an important Board responsibility. The Board believes school programs should be conducted in a manner that protects and enhances student and employee health and is consistent with good health practices. A health services plan shall be developed, implemented, and updated annually. The plan shall describe a health services program for all students at each facility that is owned or leased where students are present for regular programming.

The district shall maintain a written prevention-oriented health services plan for all students. The health services plan will¹:

1. Explain available health care space that is appropriately supervised and adequately equipped for providing health care and administering medication or first aid;
2. Refer to available communicable disease prevention and management plan that includes school-level protocols²;
3. Outline a district-to-school communication plan³;
4. Provide information about health screenings, including immunizations and TB certificate requirements;
5. Describe how services for all students, including those who are medically complex, medically fragile or nursing dependent, and those who have approved 504 plans, individual education program plans, and individualized health care plans or special health care needs are managed⁴;
6. Integrate school health services with school health education programs and coordinate with health and social service agencies, public and private;
7. Describe how hearing, vision and dental screenings are managed and/or verified for required students⁵;
8. Include a process to assess and determine a student's health services needs, including availability of a nurse to assess student nursing needs upon, during, and following enrollment with one or more

¹ For exact language and complete requirement, see OAR 581-022-2220(1).

² For specific protocol content requirements, see OAR 581-022-2220(1)(b).

³ For requirements of this plan see OAR 581-022-2220(1)(c).

⁴ For more information regarding these requirements see ORS 336.201 and 339.869, OARs 581-021-0037, 581-015-2040, 581-015-2045, 851-045-0040 – 0060, and 851-047-0010 – 0030.

⁵ For vision screening or eye examination or dental screening information see ORS 336.211 and 336.213.

new medical diagnose(s) impacting a student's access to education, and implement a student's individual health plan prior to attending school⁶;

9. Comply with OR-OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens Standards for all persons who are assigned to job tasks which may put them at risk for exposure to body fluids⁷;
10. Refer to adopted policy and procedures for medications in accordance with Oregon law⁸;
11. Include guidelines for the management of students who are medically complex, medically fragile, or nursing dependent as defined by ORS 336.201, including students with life-threatening food allergies and adrenal insufficiency while the student is in school, at a school-sponsored activity, under the supervision of school personnel, in before-school or after-school care programs on school-owned property, and in transit to or from school or school-sponsored activities.

Any nurse(s) employed by the district and providing services to students on behalf of the district shall be licensed in Oregon to practice as a registered nurse or nurse practitioner or be a licensed practical nurse (LPN) in alignment with LPN supervision requirements of OAR 851-045-0050 – 0060.

A nurse employed by the district shall follow all applicable requirements of ORS Chapter 678 and OAR Chapter 851. This includes, but is not limited to, delegation in accordance with OAR 851-047, which includes performing a nursing assessment of a student prior to delegation, providing adequate supervision during the delegation, and evaluating the skills, ability and willingness of the delegee.⁹

An administrator or other staff who is not a nurse may supervise, evaluate or direct a school nurse or registered nurse for purposes related to the nurse's role as a school employee, including but not limited to assigning the nurse's work hours, locations and workload and other matters addressed through a collective bargaining agreement. An administrator may not direct the school nurse or registered nurse in the practice of nursing.

A nurse employed by the district will function as an integral member of the instructional staff, serving as a resource person to teachers in securing appropriate information and materials on health-related topics.

The district provides a menstrual product dispenser with a variety of products in every student bathroom¹⁰ which meets the requirements of law.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

⁶ For definitions for this policy see ORS 336.201.

⁷ OAR 437-002-0360 lists various health and safety regulations that apply in the employment setting.

⁸ Medication laws can be found in ORS 339.866 – 339.874 and OAR 581-021-0037; relevant Board policy includes JHCD/JHCDA - Medications.

⁹ For additional delegation requirements see OAR [851-047-0030](#).

¹⁰ ["Student bathroom" means a bathroom that is accessible by students, including a gender-neutral bathroom, a bathroom designated for females, and a bathroom designated for males. (OAR 581-021-0587)]

[ORS 329.025](#)
[ORS 332.107](#)
[ORS 336.201](#)
[ORS 336.204](#)

[ORS 336.211 – 336.214](#)[ORS 342.458](#)
[OAR 581-021-0017](#)
[OAR 581-021-0031](#)
[OAR 581-021-0587](#)

[OAR 581-021-0590](#)
[OAR 581-022-2050](#)
[OAR 581-022-2220](#)
[OAR 581-022-2515](#)

Every Student Succeeds Act, 20 U.S.C. § 7928 (2024).
Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (2024).

OSBA Model Sample Administrative Regulation

Code: GBA-AR

Revised/Reviewed:

Veteran and State Servicemember Preference

Oregon law requires the district to grant a preference to qualified and eligible veterans, disabled veterans, state servicemembers and former state servicemembers at each stage during the hiring or promotion process who claim a preference. To be **qualified** for preference, an applicant must meet the minimum qualifications and any other special qualifications required for the position sought. To be **eligible** for preference¹ an applicant must provide certification they are a veteran, disabled veteran, state servicemember or former state servicemember as defined by Oregon law².

The district is not obligated to hire or promote a qualified and eligible veteran, disabled veteran, state servicemember or former state servicemember. The district is obligated to interview all minimally qualified veterans or disabled veterans, and is also obligated to hire or promote a qualified or eligible veteran, disabled veteran, state servicemember or former state servicemember if the individual is equal to or better than the top candidate after the preference has been applied.

Recruitment Procedures

All job postings or announcements will include a concise list of minimum qualifications and any special qualifications required for the position. Job postings will include a statement that the district's policy is to provide a preference as required by Oregon law and the job posting will require applicants to provide certification³ of eligibility for preference, in addition to other requested materials.

Selection Procedures^{4}

¹ See Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 408.235.

² See Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 408.225 for definitions of veteran, disabled veteran, state servicemember and former state servicemember.

³ An applicant claiming veteran's or disabled veteran's preference will submit a copy of their Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214 or 215) or a certification that the veteran is expected to be discharged or released from active duty under honorable conditions not later than 120 days after the submission of the certification. A disabled veteran may also submit a copy of their letter from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, unless the information is included in the DD Form 214/215 or a certification that the veteran is expected to be medically separated from active duty under honorable conditions not later than 120 days after the submission of the certification. (OAR 839-006-0465) An applicant claiming to be a former state servicemember must meet the definition of "former state servicemember." An applicant is treated as a former state servicemember if they meet the definition, except for the requirement that the applicant was discharged or released under honorable conditions and submits certification that the individual is expected to be discharged or released from Oregon National Guard under honorable conditions no later than 120 days after the submission of the certification. (ORS 408.235)

⁴ {If the district chooses not to use a scored system the law requires that the district give special consideration in the district's hiring decision to veterans, disabled veterans, state servicemembers and former state servicemembers and the district will need to be able to demonstrate the method used for providing special consideration. ORS 408.230(2)(c).}

- Step 1: Before the review of any applications the District Office will establish an evaluation scoring guide based on the minimum qualifications and any special qualifications listed in the job posting.
- Step 2: The [administrator] will review the application materials using the evaluation scoring guide to determine which applicants meet the minimum and any special qualifications listed in the job posting. In assessing the applicant materials of a veteran or disabled veteran the administrator shall evaluate whether the skill experience obtained in service are transferable skills to the posted position. Any applicants that do not meet the minimum and any special qualifications shall be removed from the applicant pool.
- Step 3: Based on Step 2, the administrator determines who will be interviewed. All qualified and eligible veterans or disabled veterans shall be given an opportunity to interview.
- Step 4: Interview questions and scoring sheets will be developed and each scoring sheet must be completed after each interview by the interviewers.
- Step 5: Following completion of the interviews, the [administrator] shall complete the selection matrix and score the applicants based on the scoring sheets completed during interviews. Preference shall be applied by adding 5 percentage points to an eligible veteran, state servicemember or former state servicemember and 10 percentage points to an eligible disabled veteran.
- Step 6: The district will appoint an otherwise qualified applicant claiming preference to the position if the applicant's results of their application examination, when combined with the preference, are equal to or better than the results for the top candidate.
- The district may base a decision not to appoint the applicant claiming preference solely on the applicant's merits or qualifications with respect to the position.

In the event the district chooses not to appoint an applicant covered by this administrative regulation, the district shall provide the reasons it chose not to appoint the applicant for the position upon a written request from the applicant.

Filing a Complaint

A veteran, disabled veteran, state servicemember or former state servicemember is encouraged to contact the District Office if there are any concerns or questions concerning the application of or the process used for preference.

An applicant claiming to be aggrieved by a violation of Board policy GBA - Equal Employment Opportunity or this administrative regulation, may file a written complaint with the Civil Rights Division of the Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI) in accordance with Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 659A.820.

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Employee Eligibility

FMLA benefits are available to employees who have been employed by the district for at least 12 months, have worked at least 1,250 hours during the past 12-month period and work at a worksite that employs 50 district employees within 75 miles of the worksite.

An employee who has previously qualified for and has taken some portion of FMLA leave may request additional FMLA leave within the same leave year.

Generally, in order for an employee to be eligible for the benefits under OFLA, the employee must work an average of 25 hours or more per week during the 180 calendar days immediately prior to the first day of the start of the requested leave. In determining if an employee has been employed for the preceding 180 calendar days under OFLA, the district must consider days, paid or unpaid, an employee is maintained on payroll.

In determining average workweek, under FMLA and OFLA, the employer must count the actual hours worked using the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) guidelines. An employee is eligible to take leave for any purposes of OFLA during a period of time covered by a public health emergency except:

1. An employee who has worked for the district for fewer than 30 days immediately before the date on which the family leave would commence; or
2. An employee who has worked for the district for an average of fewer than 25 hours per week in the 30 days immediately before the date on which the family leave would commence.

An employee of the district who has separated and is reemployed within 180 days, or experiences a temporary cessation of schedule hours may be eligible for OFLA in accordance with ORS 659A.156.

Any OFLA leave taken by the employee within any one-year period continues to count against the length of time of OFLA leave the employee is entitled. The amount of time that an employee is deemed to have worked for the district prior to a break in service due to a separation from employment or a temporary cessation of scheduled hours shall be restored to the employee when the employee is reemployed by the district within 180 days of separation from employment or when the employee returns to work at the end of the temporary cessation of scheduled hours of 180 days or less.

When an employee requests OFLA leave, or when the district acquires knowledge that an employee's leave may be for a purpose that constitutes OFLA leave, the district will notify the employee of the employee's eligibility to take OFLA leave within five business days, absent extenuating circumstances. Whether an employee is an "eligible employee" as defined in OAR 839-009-0210 is determined, a notice must be provided, at the commencement of the first instance of each purpose for leave listed in OAR 839-009-0240 during the OFLA leave year. If an employee is an "eligible employee" as defined in OAR 839-

009-0210 for the purpose listed in OAR 839-009-0240, the employee's eligibility for that purpose does not change during the applicable 12-month period.

In addition:

1. An employee taking, in any order, some or all of 12 weeks of OFLA pregnancy disability leave and some or all of 12 weeks of OFLA leave for any other purpose, need not requalify each time the employee takes OFLA leave within the same leave year;
2. An employee unable to work because of a disabling compensable injury² need not requalify under OAR 839-009-0210 in order to use OFLA leave following a period the employee is off work due to the compensable injury.

Leave under the Oregon Military Family Leave Act (OMFLA) applies to employees who work an average of at least 20 hours per week. There is no minimum number of days worked when determining employee eligibility for OMFLA.

Qualifying Reason

Eligible employees may access FMLA leave entitlements for the following reasons:

1. Serious health condition of the employee or the employee's covered family member. "Serious health condition" means an illness, injury, impairment or physical or mental condition that involves inpatient care³ or continuing treatment by a health care provider⁴.
2. Parental leave⁵ (separate from eligible leave as a result of a child's serious health condition):
 - a. Bonding with and caring for the employee's newborn child (within 12 months following birth);
 - b. Bonding with and caring for a newly adopted child or newly placed child in foster care under the age of 18 (within 12 months of placement);
 - c. Caring for a newly adopted child or newly placed child in foster care 18 years of age or older who is incapable of self-care because of a mental or physical disability (within 12 months of placement);
 - d. Time to effectuate the legal process required for placement of a child in foster care or the adoption of a child.
3. Military caregiver leave: leave for the care for a covered servicemember if the eligible employee is the spouse, child or next-of-kin of the servicemember with a serious injury or illness;

² As defined in ORS 656.005.

³ "Inpatient care" means an overnight stay in a hospital, hospice, or residential medical facility, including any period of incapacity or any subsequent treatment in connection with such inpatient care. See 29 CFR § 825.114.

⁴ "Continuing treatment" includes incapacity and treatment, pregnancy or prenatal care, chronic conditions, permanent or long-term conditions, conditions requiring multiple treatments, and absences attributable to incapacity. See 29 CFR § 815.115.

⁵ Parental leave must be taken in one continuous block of time within 12 months of the triggering event.

4. Qualifying exigency leave: leave arising out of deployment to a foreign country of the employee's spouse, child or parent who is a military member on active duty or call to covered active duty status.

Eligible employees may access OFLA leave entitlements for the following reasons:

1. Pregnancy disability leave: leave taken by an employee for their own disability related to pregnancy, including pregnancy termination or childbirth, whether the disability occurs before, during or after the birth of the child or for prenatal care, including fertility or infertility treatment.
2. Sick child leave: leave taken to care for an employee's child who is suffering from an illness, injury, or condition that requires home care; or leave taken to care for an employee's child whose school or child care provider has been closed⁶ in conjunction with a statewide public health emergency declared by a public health official.⁷
3. Bereavement leave: leave taken to deal with the death of a covered family member and includes leave taken to attend the funeral or alternative to a funeral of the family member, to make arrangements necessitated by the death of the family member, or to grieve the death of the family member.⁸

Definitions

1. Family member:
 - a. For the purposes of FMLA, "family member" means:
 - (1) Spouse¹⁰;
 - (2) Parent¹¹; or
 - (3) Child¹².

⁶ "Closure" (OAR 839-009-0210(5)) for the purpose of sick child leave during a statewide public health emergency declared by a public health official means a closure that is ongoing, intermittent, or recurring and restricts physical access to the child's school or child care provider as defined in OAR 839-009-0210(4).

⁷ The district may request verification of the need for sick child leave under OFLA due to a closure during a statewide public health emergency. Verification may include:

1. The name of the child being cared for;
2. The name of the school or child care provider that has closed or become unavailable;
3. A statement from the employee that no other family member of the child is willing and able to care for the child; and
4. With the care of a child older than 14, a statement that special circumstances exist requiring the employee to provide care to the child during daylight hours.

⁸ Bereavement leave under OFLA must be completed within 60 days of the date the employee received notice of the death. The notice of the death of a family member may be by any means and from any source.

¹⁰ "Spouse" means individuals in a marriage, including "common law" marriage and same-sex marriage.

¹¹ "Parent" means a biological, adoptive, step or foster parent, or any other individual who stood "in loco parentis" to the employee when the employee was a child as defined herein. This does not include parents "in law."

¹² "Child" means a biological, adopted, or foster child, a stepchild, a legal ward, or a child of a person standing in loco parentis, who is either under age 18, or age 18 or older and incapable of self-care because of a mental or physical disability at the time that FMLA leave is to commence.

b. “For the purposes of OFLA, “family member” means an eligible employee’s:

- (1) Spouse or domestic partner;
- (2) Child or the child’s spouse or domestic partner;
- (3) Parent or the parent’s spouse or domestic partner;
- (4) Sibling or stepsibling, or the sibling’s or stepsibling’s spouse or domestic partner;
- (5) Grandparent or the grandparent’s spouse or domestic partner;
- (6) Grandchild or the grandchild’s spouse or domestic partner; or
- (7) Any individual related by blood or affinity whose close association with an eligible employee is the equivalent of a family relationship.¹³

2. Child:

- a. For the purposes of FMLA, “child” means the eligible employee’s biological or adopted child, a child the employee is fostering, a stepchild, a legal ward or a child of a person standing “in loco parentis”, who is either under the age of 18, or who is 18 years of age or older and who is incapable of self-care because of a physical or mental disability.
- b. For the purposes of Military Caregiver Leave and Qualifying Exigency Leave under FMLA, “child” means the employee’s child on covered active duty regardless of that child’s age.
- c. For the purposes of OFLA, “child” means the eligible employee’s biological or adopted child, a child the employee is fostering, a stepchild, the child of the employee’s spouse or domestic partner, or a child with whom the employee is or was in a relationship of “in loco parentis.”
- d. For the purposes of sick child leave under OFLA, the child must be under the age of 18 or substantially limited by a physical or mental impairment as described in ORS 659A.104.

3. In loco parentis:

- a. For the purposes of FMLA, “in loco parentis” means persons with day-to-day responsibility to care for or financially support a child, or, in the case of an employee, who had such responsibility for the employee when the employee was a child. A biological or legal relationship is not necessary.
- b. For the purposes of OFLA, “in loco parentis” means person in the place of a parent, having financial or day-to-day responsibility for the care of a child. A legal or biological relationship is not required.

4. Next of kin:

¹³ “Affinity” means a relationship for which there is a significant personal bond that, when examined under the totality of the circumstances, is like a family relationship. This bond may be demonstrated by, but is not limited to the following factors, with no single factor being determinative:

1. Shared personal financial responsibility, including shared leases, common ownership of real or personal property, joint liability for bills or beneficiary designations;
2. Emergency contact designation of the employee by the other individual in the relationship or the emergency contact designation of the other individual in the relationship by the employee;
3. The expectation to provide care because of the relationship or the prior provision of care;
4. Cohabitation and its duration and purpose;
5. Geographic proximity; and
6. Any other factor that demonstrates the existence of a family-like relationship.

For the purposes of FMLA , “next of kin” means the nearest blood relative other than the covered servicemember’s spouse, parent or child in the following order of priority (unless otherwise designated in writing by the servicemember):

- a. Blood relatives who have been granted legal custody of the covered servicemember by court decree or statutory provisions;
- b. Siblings;
- c. Grandparents;
- d. Siblings of parents and their spouses; and
- e. First cousins.

5. Covered servicemembers:

For the purposes of FMLA, “covered servicemember” means:

- a. A current member of the Armed Forces, including a member of the National Guard or Reserves, who:
 - (1) Is undergoing medical treatment, recuperation or therapy;
 - (2) Is otherwise in outpatient status; or
 - (3) Is otherwise on the temporary disability retired list for a serious injury or illness; or
- b. A covered veteran who is undergoing medical treatment, recuperation, or therapy for a serious injury or illness.

6. Covered veteran:

For the purposes of FMLA, “covered veteran” means an individual who was:

- a. A member of the Armed Forces (including a member of the National Guard or Reserves);
- b. Discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable; and
- c. Discharged within the five-year period prior to the first date the eligible employee takes FMLA leave to care for the covered veteran.

7. Public health emergency:

For OFLA a “public health emergency” means;

- a. A public health emergency declared under ORS 433.441.
- b. An emergency declared under ORS 401.165 if related to a public health emergency as defined in ORS 433.442.

Leave Period

For the purposes of calculating an employee’s leave period for FMLA, the district will use the 12-month period measured forward from the date the employee’s leave begins.

For the purposes of calculating an employee’s leave period for OFLA, the district will use a period of 52 consecutive weeks beginning on the Sunday immediately preceding the date on which family leave commences.

The leave period for the purposes of Military Caregiver Leave under FMLA shall be dependent on the start of any such leave regardless of the district's designated leave period described above.

Leave Duration

For the purposes of FMLA, an eligible employee is generally entitled to a total of 12 weeks of qualified leave during the district's designated leave period (12-month period)¹⁴. Spouses who work for the district and are eligible for FMLA leave may be limited to a combined total of 12 weeks of FMLA leave during the district's designated leave period when the purpose of the leave is for:

1. Birth of a child or to care for a child after birth;
2. Placement of an adopted child or child in foster care, the care for an adopted child or child in foster care after placement; or
3. Care of the employee's parent with a serious medical condition.

Except in specific and unique instances, all qualified leave under FMLA counts toward an employee's leave entitlement within the designated leave period.

For the purposes of OFLA, an eligible employee is generally entitled to a total of up to 12 weeks of OFLA leave, for sick child leave and bereavement leave, during the designated leave period. An eligible employee is entitled to a total of two weeks of bereavement leave upon the death of each family member of the employee within a leave year, except that the eligible employee may not take more than four weeks of bereavement leave within a leave year.

An employee may also be entitled to take a total of 12 weeks of OFLA pregnancy disability leave within the same leave year.

Under OFLA, the employee may use all or part of the 12 weeks of sick child or bereavement leave and all or part of the 12 weeks of pregnancy disability leave in any order.

Unlike FMLA, OFLA does not combine the leave entitlement when two or more family members work for the district. Under OFLA, family members who work for the district may be restricted from taking concurrent OFLA qualified leave.¹⁵

For the purposes of OMFLA, an eligible employee is entitled to 14 days of leave per call or order to active duty or notification of a leave from deployment. When an employee also meets the eligibility requirements of OFLA, the duration of the OMFLA leave counts toward that employee's leave entitlement during the designated leave period.

¹⁴ An eligible employee taking Military Caregiver Leave under FMLA is entitled to up to 26 weeks of leave in the 12-month period beginning with the first day of such leave and regardless of any FMLA leave taken previously during the district's leave period. However, once the 12-month period begins for the purposes of Military Caregiver Leave under FMLA, any subsequent FMLA qualified leave, regardless of reason for such leave, will count toward the employee's 26-week entitlement under Military Caregiver Leave under FMLA.

¹⁵ Exceptions to the ability to require family members to take OFLA qualified leave at different times are when one employee needs to care for a child for a purpose described in ORS 659A.159 (1)(a) while another employee is taking pregnancy disability leave or, one or more of the employees is taking bereavement leave.

Qualified leave under FMLA and OFLA for an eligible employee will run concurrently during the designated leave period if for the same qualifying reason. Qualified leave under FMLA will run concurrently with other qualified leave covered under Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance (PFMLI) and/or available sick leave under ORS 653.601 - 653.661 for eligible employees. Qualified leave under OFLA may also run concurrently with leave taken under the sick time law in ORS 653.601 - 653.661 if for the same qualifying reason, but not concurrent with PFMLI.

For the purpose of tracking the number of leave hours an eligible employee is entitled and/or has used during each week of the employee's leave, leave entitlement is calculated by multiplying the number of hours the eligible employee normally works per week by 12¹⁶. If an employee's schedule varies from week-to-week, a weekly average of the hours worked over the 12 months worked prior to the beginning of the leave period shall be used for calculating the employee's normal workweek¹⁷. If an employee takes intermittent or reduced work schedule leave, only the actual number of hours of leave taken may be counted toward the 12 weeks of leave to which the employee is entitled.

Holidays which occur within the week taken as FMLA may be counted against FMLA entitlement.¹⁸ However, for leave taken in increments of less than one week, holidays in which employees generally are not expected to report do not count against the employees FMLA leave entitlement.

Under OFLA, days in which the district is not in operation, are not counted toward intermittent or reduced work schedule OFLA leave.

Intermittent Leave

With the exception of parental leave under FMLA which must be taken in one continuous block of time, an eligible employee is permitted under FMLA or OFLA to take intermittent leave for any qualifying reason.

Intermittent leave is taken in separate periods of time (i.e., hours, days, weeks, etc.), rather than in one continuous period of time, and/or requiring an altered or reduced work schedule. For OFLA this includes but is not limited to sick child leave taken requiring an altered or reduced work schedule because the intermittent or recurring closure of a child's school or child care provider due to a statewide public health emergency declared by a public health official.

When an exempt employee is eligible for both OFLA and FMLA leave, and the employee takes intermittent leave in blocks of less than one day, if done in accordance with 29 CFR § 825.206, the district may reduce the employee's salary for the part-day absence without the loss of the employee's exempt status in accordance with OAR 839-020-0004(32).

¹⁶ For example, an employee normally employed to work 30 hours per week is entitled to 12 times 30 hours, or a total of 360 hours of leave.

¹⁷ For example, an employee working an average of 25 hours per week is entitled to 12 times 25 hours, or a total of 300 hours of leave.

¹⁸ See 29 CFR § 825.200(h).

When an exempt employee is eligible for OFLA leave but not FMLA leave, and the employee takes intermittent leave in blocks of less than one day, the district will jeopardize the employee's exempt status if the district reduces the employee's salary for the part-day absence.

An employee's FMLA and/or OFLA intermittent leave time is determined by calculating the difference between the employee's normal work schedule and the number of hours the employee actually works during the leave period. The result of such calculation is credited against the eligible employee's leave entitlement.

Alternate Work Assignment

Under FMLA, the district may transfer an employee taking intermittent leave or leave on a reduced leave schedule that is foreseeable based on planned medical treatment to an alternate position for which the employee is qualified and which better accommodates an employee's recovery from a serious health condition, a serious health condition of a spouse, parent, or child, or a serious injury of illness of a covered servicemember. However, the district may not transfer the employee to an alternative position in order to discourage the employee from taking leave or otherwise work a hardship on the employee.

Under FMLA, when an employee who is taking leave intermittently or on a reduced leave schedule and has been transferred to an alternative position no longer needs to continue on leave and is able to return to full-time work, the employee will be placed in the same or equivalent job as the job they left when the leave commenced. An employee may not be required to take more leave than necessary to address the circumstance that precipitated the need for leave.

Under OFLA, the district may transfer an employee on intermittent OFLA leave or reduced work schedule into an alternate position with the same or different duties to accommodate leave, provided:

1. The employee accepts the position voluntarily and without coercion;
2. The transfer is temporary, lasts no longer than necessary to accommodate the leave and has equivalent pay and benefits;
3. The transfer is compliant with any applicable collective bargaining agreement, as well as with state and federal law;
4. The transfer to an alternate position is used only when there is no other reasonable option available that would allow the employee to use intermittent leave or reduced work schedule; and
5. The transfer is not used to discourage the employee from taking leave or to create a hardship for the employee.

Under OFLA, an employee transferred to an alternate position for the purpose of a reduced work schedule must be returned to the employee's former position when the employee notifies the employer that the employee is ready to return to the former position at the end of the alternate duty leave.

The district may transfer an eligible employee to an alternate position that accommodates OFLA pregnancy disability leave provided:

1. The employee accepts the transfer position voluntarily and without coercion;

2. The transfer is temporary, lasts no longer than necessary and has equivalent pay and benefits;
3. The transfer is compliant with any applicable collective bargaining agreements, as well as with state and federal law;
4. The transfer is not used to discourage the employee from taking OFLA leave or to create a hardship for the employee.

Under OFLA, if an eligible employee is transferred to an alternative position and as a result the employee works fewer hours than the employee worked in the original position, the employee's OFLA leave time is determined by calculating the difference between the number of hours the employee worked in the original position and the number of hours the employee actually works in the alternative position.

An employee is not on OFLA leave if the employee has been transferred – as provided for in OAR 839-009-0245 (5) – to an alternate position for the purpose of alternate work duties that the employee is able to perform within the limitations of the employee's pregnancy disability, but not requiring a reduced workweek. An employee working in an alternate position retains the right to return to the employee's original position at any time during the employee's OFLA leave. This does not impair the right of an employee to a reasonable accommodation or the application of any other state or federal law.

Special Rules for School Employees

For the purposes of FMLA, "instructional employee" means those whose principal function is to teach and instruct students in a class, a small group or an individual setting. Athletic coaches, driving instructors and special education assistants, such as signers for the hearing impaired, are included in this definition. This definition does not include teacher assistants or aides who do not have as their principal job actual teaching or instructing, auxiliary personnel such as counselors, psychologists, curriculum specialists, cafeteria workers, maintenance workers or bus drivers.

FMLA leave that is taken for a period that ends with the school year and begins with the next semester is considered consecutive rather than intermittent. The period during the summer vacation when the employee would not have been required to report for duty is not counted against the employee's FMLA leave entitlement. In any such situation, the eligible instructional employee will receive any benefits during the break period that employees would normally receive if they had been working at the end of the school year.

1. Foreseeable Intermittent Leave Exceeding 20 Percent of Working Days

When the qualified leave is foreseeable, will encompass more than 20 percent of the eligible instructional employee's regular work schedule during the leave period, and the purpose of such leave is to care for a family member with a serious medical condition, for a covered servicemember or for the employee's own serious medical condition, the district may require the eligible instructional employee to choose either to:

- a. Take leave for a period or periods of a particular duration, not greater than the duration of the planned treatment; or
- b. Temporarily transfer to an available alternate position for which the employee is qualified, which has equivalent pay and benefits, and which better accommodates recurring periods of leave than the employee's regular position.

If an instructional employee does not give required notice of foreseeable FMLA leave to be taken intermittently or on a reduced leave schedule, the district may require the employee to take leave of a particular duration, or to transfer temporarily to an alternative position. Alternatively, the district may require the employee to delay the taking of leave until the notice provision is met.

2. Limitation on Leave Near the End of the Term²⁰

When an eligible instructional employee requests leave near the end of the term, the district may require the following:

- a. When the qualified leave begins more than five weeks before the end of the term, the district may require the employee to continue taking leave until the end of the term if:
 - (1) The leave will last at least three weeks; and
 - (2) The employee would return to work during the three-week period before the end of the term.
- b. When the qualified leave begins during a five-week period before the end of the term and the purpose of such leave is parental leave, for the serious health condition of a family member or to care for a covered servicemember, the eligible instructional employee may be required by the district to remain on leave until the end of the term if:
 - (1) The leave will last more than two weeks; and
 - (2) The employee would return to work during the two-week period before the end of the term.
- c. When the qualified leave begins within three weeks of the end of the term and the purpose of such leave is parental leave, for the serious health condition of a family member or to care for a covered servicemember, the eligible instructional employee may be required to remain on leave until the end of the term if the length of the leave will last more than five working days.

If the district requires an eligible instructional employee to remain on leave until the end of the term as described above, additional leave required by the district until the end of the school term shall not count against the eligible instructional employee's leave entitlement.

For the purposes of OFLA leave, if an employee²¹ begins a period of bereavement leave during the three-week period before the end of the term and the duration of the leave is greater than five working days, the district may require the employee continue on family leave until the end of the term.

Paid/Unpaid Leave

FMLA and OFLA do not require the district to pay an eligible employee who is on a qualified leave. Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance (PFMLI) leave taken via Paid Leave Oregon or an equivalent plan will run concurrently with FMLA and leave available under ORS 653.601 - 653.661 when taken for the

²⁰ "Academic term" means the school semester, which typically ends near the end of the calendar year and the end of spring each school year. In no case may a school have more than two academic terms or semesters each year for purposes of FMLA. 29 CFR § 825.602(b)

²¹ Applies only to an employee who is employed principally in an instructional capacity by the district.

same purpose. An employee may elect to use any available accrued paid leave including personal, sick or vacation leave during the leave period. The total combined amount received by using accrued leave and PFMLI may exceed the employee's full wage replacement during the period of leave. The district will notify the eligible employee when the requested leave has been designated as FMLA or OFLA leave and ask the employee about the use of available accrued paid leave.

Eligible employees taking OMFLA leave are entitled to use available accrued paid time off during the OMFLA leave period.

Benefits and Insurance

When an eligible employee returns to work following a FMLA-, OFLA- or OMFLA-qualified leave, the employee must be reinstated to the same position the employee held when the leave commenced, or to an equivalent position with equivalent benefits, pay and other terms and conditions of employment.

During an OFLA qualified leave an eligible employee does not accrue seniority or other benefits that would have accrued while the employee was working, unless the terms of a collective bargaining agreement, other agreement or other district policy provide otherwise.²² The eligible employee is also subject to layoff to the same extent similarly situated employees not taking OFLA leave are subject unless the terms of an applicable collective bargaining agreement, other agreement or the district's policies provide otherwise.

For the purposes of FMLA and OFLA, the district will continue to pay the employer portion of the eligible employee's group health insurance contribution (if applicable) during the qualified leave period. The eligible employee is required to pay the employee portion of any such group health insurance contribution as a condition of continued coverage.

For the purposes of FMLA qualified leave, the district's obligation to maintain the employee's group health insurance coverage will cease if the employee's contribution is remitted more than 30 calendar days late. The district will provide written notice that the premium payment is more than 30 calendar days late. Such notice will be provided within 15 calendar days before coverage is to cease.

For the purposes of OMFLA, the eligible employee is entitled to a continuation of benefits.

Fitness-for-Duty Verification

For purposes of FMLA, prior to the reinstatement of an employee following a leave which was the result of the employee's own serious health condition, the district may require the employee to obtain and present a Fitness-for-Duty Certification. If the district is going to require a Fitness-for-Duty Certification upon return to work, the district must notify the employee of such requirement when the leave is designated as FMLA leave and that failure to provide the certification may result in a delay or denial of reinstatement. Any costs associated with obtaining the certification shall be borne by the employee.

Application

For purposes of FMLA, an eligible employee requesting FMLA leave shall provide at least 30 days' notice prior to the leave date if the leave is foreseeable. The notice shall be written and include the anticipated

²² See also ORS 342.934(4)(d) in reduction force situations.

start date, duration and reasons for the requested leave. When appropriate, the eligible employee must make a reasonable effort to schedule treatment, including intermittent leave and reduced leave, so as not to unduly disrupt the operation of the district.

For purposes of OFLA, an eligible employee shall provide at least 30 days' written notice of the need for foreseeable leave before starting family leave. An employee may commence family leave without prior notice in the event of: an unexpected illness, injury or condition of a child of the employee that requires home care; the death of a family member; the closure of the school or child care provider of the employee's child due to a public health emergency unless the declaration of the emergency was issued by the Governor at least 30 days before commencement of the leave; or an illness, injury or condition related to the employee's own pregnancy or childbirth that disables the employee from performing any available job duties offered by the district. If an employee commences leave without prior notice as allowed above, the employee must give oral notice²³ to the employer within 24 hours of the commencement of the leave and must provide the written notice within three days after returning to work. Failure of an employee to provide the required notice for leave may result in the district deducting up to three weeks from the employee's unused OFLA leave in that one-year leave period. The employee may be subject to disciplinary action for not following the district's notice procedures.

The district may request additional information²⁴ to determine the requested leave qualifies as FMLA or OFLA leave as provided by law. The district may designate the employee as provisionally on FMLA or OFLA leave until sufficient information is received to properly make a determination.

An eligible employee able to give advance notice of the need to take leave must follow the district's known, reasonable and customary procedures for requesting any kind of leave.

For the purposes of FMLA, if advance notice is not possible, an employee eligible for FMLA leave must provide notice as soon as practicable. "As soon as practicable," for the purpose of FMLA leave, means as soon as both possible and practical, taking into account all of the facts and circumstances in the individual case. In most situations, as soon as practicable will be within one business day of an employee becoming aware of the need. Failure of an employee to provide the required notice for FMLA leave may result in the district delaying the employee's leave up to 30 days after the notice is ultimately given.²⁵

For the purposes of OFLA, if an eligible employee is taking leave in an unforeseeable situation, an employee must give oral or written notice²⁶ within 24 hours before or after commencement of the leave.

In all cases, proper documentation must be submitted no later than three working days following the employee's return to work.

For purposes of OMFLA, an employee must provide the district with notice of the intention to take leave within five business days of receiving official notice of an impending call or order to active duty or of a leave from deployment.

²³ Oral notice may be given by any other person on behalf of the employee taking the leave.

²⁴ See OAR 839-009-0260 for OFLA and 29 CFR § 825.305 et. al. for FMLA.

²⁵ See 29 CFR § 825.304.

²⁶ Notice may be given by any other person on behalf of the employee taking the leave.

Verification

Under FMLA, the district may require an eligible employee to provide medical certification, when appropriate²⁷, to support the stated reason for such leave. In most cases, the district will provide written notification to an employee of this requirement within five working days of the employee's request for leave. The employee is required to submit such medical certification no later than 15 calendar days after receipt of the district's notification that medical certification is required, unless not practicable. Any additional certifications, including second and third opinions, will be in accordance with applicable law.

Under OFLA, the district may require an eligible employee to provide medical verification, when appropriate²⁸, to support the stated reason for qualifying OFLA leave. The district will provide written notification to an employee of this requirement and state the consequences for failure to provide the requested medical verification. If the employee gives advance written notice of foreseeable leave, the district may require the employee to provide medical verification for OFLA leave before the leave starts. If the employee begins unforeseeable OFLA leave without prior notice, the employee is required to submit such medical verification within 15 calendar days after receipt of the district's request for medical verification. The employee may be subject to disciplinary action for not providing the requested medical verification.

For the purposes of OFLA qualified leave, costs associated with obtaining the medical verification shall be borne by the district or be paid as otherwise allowed by law. The district will not delay the use of qualifying OFLA leave when medical verification is not received before the commencement of unforeseeable leave. The district may not require an employee to obtain a second opinion.

Under OFLA, the district may request verification for the need for leave to care for a child who requires home care due to the closure of the child's school or child care provider as a result of a public health emergency. A request for verification may include a request for:

1. The name of the child requiring home care;
2. The name of the school or child care provider that is subject to the closure;
3. A statement from the employee that no other family member of the child is willing and able to care for the child; and
4. A statement that special circumstances exist that require the employee to provide home care for the child during the day, if the child is older than 14 years of age.

Posted Notice

The district will post the Bureau of Labor and Industries Family Leave notice in each building or worksite in an area that is accessible to and regularly frequented by employees.²⁹ The district will also post a notice

²⁷ Medical verification is not allowed in every situation. Review current laws and guidance for more information.

²⁸ Medical verification is not allowed in every situation. Review current laws and guidance for more information. (OAR 839-009-0260)

²⁹ https://www.oregon.gov/boli/employers/Documents/BOLI_Printable_FamilyMedLv.pdf

explaining the provisions of FMLA and providing information concerning the procedures for filing complaints.³⁰

Record Keeping

The district will maintain all records as required by federal and state laws including dates leave is taken by employees, identified separately from other leave; hours/days of leave; copies of general and specific notices to employees, including Board policy(ies) and regulations; premium payments of employee health benefits while on leave and records of any disputes with employees regarding granting of leave.

Medical documentation will be maintained separately from personnel files as confidential medical records.

Federal vs. State Law

Both federal and state law contain provisions for family and medical leave. Federal regulations state an employer must comply with all leave laws; that the federal law does not supersede any provision of state law that provides greater family or medical leave rights than those established pursuant to federal law; and if leave qualifies for FMLA and OFLA leave, the leave used counts against the employee's entitlement under both laws. State law requires that FMLA and state leave entitlements run concurrently when for the same purpose.

³⁰ <https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/WHd/legacy/files/fmlaen.pdf>

OSBA Model Sample Policy

Code:
Adopted:

KNA

Immigration Enforcement on District Property

The district complies with state and federal law, including Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 180.805 and ORS 181.826, and this policy and accompanying administrative regulations KNA-AR(1) – Interactions with Immigration Enforcement and KNA-AR(2) – Federal Immigration Enforcement Request Log when responding to requests from federal immigration authorities regarding immigration enforcement. Absent a judicially authorized subpoena, warrant or court order, district staff must not allow federal immigration authorities access to the district’s records or facilities not open to the public for the purposes of immigration enforcement and must verify the validity of any subpoena, warrant or court order involving immigration enforcement presented to them by federal immigration authorities to ensure it is judicially authorized. Examples of judicial and administrative warrants and subpoenas can be found in the Oregon Attorney General’s Model Public School Policies.¹ The superintendent or designee must review and approve any response to a request involving immigration enforcement. The district will provide ongoing training to designated staff to ensure compliance with this policy.

This policy will be made available in the student handbook and on the district’s website². The district will ensure a copy of the Oregon Attorney General’s Model Public School Policies³ and this policy and accompanying administrative regulations are provided to staff.

Designation of Primary Point of Contact

The Superintendent or designee is the primary point of contact for coordinating interactions with federal immigration authorities occurring in the district (“immigration liaison”. The Assistant Principal shall serve as an alternative point of contact during the immigration liaison’s absence or unavailability (“alternate immigration liaison”).

The immigration liaison’s responsibilities include:

1. Serving as the district’s representative during encounters with federal immigration authorities;
2. Confirming when federal immigration authorities have entered school property for immigration enforcement purposes;
3. Ensuring federal immigration authorities engaging in enforcement activities at the district have notice of relevant district policies: JO/IGBAB – Education Records/Records of Students with

¹ <https://www.doj.state.or.us/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/Attorney-Generals-Model-Public-School-Policies-in-Compliance-with-SB-1538.pdf>

² Must be provided in culturally appropriate languages that are used to communicate effectively with parents and guardians of students in the district, as determined by the Board. {The district is encouraged to evaluate language needs in the district in order to effectively communicate with all parents and guardians.}

³ <https://www.doj.state.or.us/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/Attorney-Generals-Model-Public-School-Policies-in-Compliance-with-SB-1538.pdf>

Disabilities, JOA – Directory Information, JOB – Personally Identifiable Information and this policy;

4. Assisting staff in performing their duties in response to immigration enforcement efforts, including ensuring compliance with all district policies and procedures related to interactions with federal immigration authorities and immigration enforcement efforts;
5. Reviewing and responding to requests from federal immigration authorities, in coordination with, and under the direction of, the superintendent or designee;
6. Facilitating the district's compliance with lawful immigration enforcement efforts in a manner that does not unnecessarily disrupt the school environment or invade the privacy of students, staff, or volunteers;
7. Providing notice as required in this policy when a federal immigration authority has been confirmed to have entered school property for immigration enforcement.

Required Notice

When a federal immigration authority is reported to have entered school property for the purpose of immigration enforcement the immigration liaison shall confirm whether federal immigration authorities have entered school property for immigration enforcement and when confirmed, shall provide notice as follows:

1. Notice must be provided to:
 - a. Students who attend the school where the federal immigration authority is confirmed to be on school property for immigration enforcement and who are in grades 7 and above;
 - b. Parents or guardians of students attending the school where the federal immigration authority is confirmed to be on school property for immigration enforcement;
 - c. Staff of the school where the federal immigration authority is confirmed to be on school property for immigration enforcement; and
 - d. Community-based service providers that have requested to receive notice when a federal immigration authority is confirmed to be on school property for immigration enforcement. Community-based service providers can request to receive such notifications by contacting the immigration liaison at the district office.
2. Notice must include:
 - a. The general location of the federal immigration authority; and
 - b. Whether classes or school operations were affected by the presence of the federal immigration authority. Districts may include resources available to those impacted by immigration enforcement actions.
3. Notice must not disclose:
 - a. Personally identifiable information;
 - b. Other information that may not be legally disclosed; or
 - c. Other information when the disclosure may threaten the health or safety of students or staff of the district or is prohibited by a court order.

The required notice will be provided as expediently as possible using existing methods used for providing electronic communications.

Unless otherwise prohibited by law or court order, the district will make reasonable efforts to provide notice to a student, or to the parent of guardian of a student, when the district has provided information related to the student to a federal immigration authority.

Training

The district will provide the immigration liaison and alternate immigration liaison with training as follows:

1. The training must include information on the requirements of House Bill 4079 (2026), any applicable model policies published by the Attorney General, and this policy; and
2. The training must be provided at the time of designation and at least once every two years thereafter.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 180.810](#)
[ORS 180.805](#)

[ORS 181.826](#)
[OAR 581-021-0371](#)

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (2012); Family Educational Rights and Privacy, 34 C.F.R. Part 99 (2017).

[Oregon Attorney General's K12 School Model Policy](#)

Senate Bill 1538 (2026).

Senate Bill 1594 (2026).

House Bill 4079 (2026).

Board Meeting Report: Special Services Triangle Lake Charter School

We are off to a great start to the 2026–2027 school year, and there is a lot of excitement throughout our school community. Our students and staff have been working hard to establish routines, build relationships, and create a strong sense of community as we begin the year.

Open House

We are very excited for our Open House this Thursday from 6:00–8:00 PM. We are looking forward to welcoming our families into the school and providing an opportunity for them to connect with staff and see what their students have been working on.

This year, we are especially excited to partner with the Grange for face painting and Blachly Lane, who will be bringing their bucket truck for students and families to enjoy. We will also be serving dinner to our families. The students are already very excited about the evening, and we are looking forward to making it a fun community event.

Family Support – Clothing Closet

We have also started a new clothing closet at the school. Ms. Kara has worked hard to gather donations and get the closet started, and it has already become a wonderful resource for our families. We are very grateful for the community support that has made this possible. Having clothing available at school gives us another way to support our students and families and make sure students have what they need to feel comfortable and ready to learn.

Student Council

Student Council applications are due at the end of September. I am excited to see students take on leadership opportunities within our school. I am also hopeful that we will have a student who is willing to serve as our student representative to the School Board. I think this will be a valuable opportunity for a student to learn more about how our school operates and to have a voice in our school community.

Academic Update – New Math Curriculum

We are also excited to have our new math curriculum in place. Our middle school students began using the new curriculum this week, and we are looking forward to seeing how it supports their learning and growth.

We are very excited about the new curriculum and the opportunities it provides for our students and teachers. As we continue implementing it, we look forward to seeing the impact it has on student understanding, engagement, and achievement.

Student Handbook and School Expectations

During the first week of school, we had all students in grades 6–12 review the student handbook. We took time to go over expectations, policies, and procedures so that students are familiar with what is expected of them from the beginning of the year.

We also completed a secondary student expectations matrix walkthrough. Students traveled through different areas of the school, including the bus, office, gym, cafeteria, hallway, bathroom, and classroom, and we reviewed the specific expectations for each location.

The goal of this process was to be proactive and make sure students clearly understand what appropriate behavior looks like in each setting. Rather than assuming students know the expectations, we are intentionally teaching and reviewing them so that everyone has a common understanding.

With our elementary students, we also spent time on the first day of school reviewing playground expectations. This allowed us to establish clear expectations for safe and appropriate playground behavior from the very beginning of the school year.

We have also added new signage in the cafeteria to reinforce our expectations and help students remember appropriate cafeteria behaviors. We have also added new signage on the playground to help clearly communicate our expectations in that area.

Elementary Morning Meetings

We have also started a new routine of holding morning meetings with our elementary students every morning. While students eat breakfast, we gather together and share the daily announcements, activities, and important information happening throughout the school.

This has been a great opportunity to start each day together and make sure our elementary students know what is happening at school. It also gives us another consistent opportunity to build community and connection with our younger students.

Elementary House System

This year, we are excited to begin a new House System for our K–5 students. The purpose of the house system is to build community and connection across grade levels and help all of our elementary students truly feel like Lakers, not just members of their individual classrooms.

Students will be placed into four different houses, creating opportunities for students from different grade levels to work together, build relationships, and encourage one another.

Once a month, we will hold a house assembly followed by a fun bonding activity. We are excited to see how this develops throughout the year and how it can strengthen the sense of belonging and community among our elementary students. (This system was inspired by the Ron Clarke Academy House System)

Student of the Month

Our first Student of the Month Assembly will be September 30th at 3 pm. The focus for this month is “Ambitious.”

We are excited to continue the tradition of recognizing and celebrating students every month. Student of the Month gives us an opportunity to highlight the positive qualities, character, effort, and growth that our students demonstrate throughout the school year.

We are looking forward to celebrating our first group of students for the 2026–2027 school year and continuing to recognize the many ways our Lakers demonstrate excellence throughout the year. I invite each of you to come if you are able.

Overall, it has been a very positive start to the school year. We are excited about the systems and traditions we are continuing, as well as the new opportunities we are creating to strengthen student leadership, family engagement, academic achievement, and our sense of community.

District Board Meeting: Triangle Lake Charter School Report

September 2026 Meeting

- **Fall Welcome Back Night – September 17th 6:00pm-7:30pm**
 - **Meet teachers and tour classrooms**
 - **Baked Ziti dinner served**
 - **Community Partners who were on campus to interact with families.**
 - **Blachly Lane**
 - **Triangle Grange**
- **Week at Glance:**
 - **Principal Bottensek will continue sending out a weekly memo to staff via email and families via Apptegy.**
- **Sports Update:**
 - **HS Volleyball & Football is in full swing**
 - **MS Volleyball & Football season began practices on the first day of school.**
 - **Two activity bus routes are running:**
 - **5:30pm (east & west)**
 - **7:15pm (west only)**
- **Upcoming events:**
 - **September 17th – School Pictures, Fall Welcome Back Night 6:00pm-7:30pm**
 - **September 30th – K-12 Dental Screening, September Student of the Month Assembly @ 3:00pm**
 - **October 12th- October 15th – Homecoming Spirit Week**
 - **October 15th – HS Homecoming Bonfire after HSVB game ends until 9pm**
 - **October 16th – Homecoming Dinner @ 5:30pm**
 - **October 17th – Homecoming Dance @ 8:30pm-11:30pm**

September 2026 District Board Meeting

Superintendent Report - Ms. Bottensek

- **2026-27 Enrollment**
 - Enrollment will be monitored closely as we begin the 2026-27 school year. A significant decline from projected enrollment may require budget adjustments to ensure expenditures remain aligned with available revenue.
- **Food Services:**
 - **Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program**
 - Unfortunately, we didn't FFVP for the 2026-27 school.
- **Lane County Rural District Professional Development Collaborative**
 - This partnership continues into this school year with our kick off date being Friday, September 18th. We are excited to expand this collaborative by adding two additional districts.
 - Blachly
 - Crow-Applegate-Lorane
 - Mapleton
 - Marcola
 - McKenzie
 - Oakridge
 - Lowell
 - Lane ESD
 - We are excited to expand this PD opportunity to include additional school and district level positions.
 - We kick-off this event at McKenzie on Friday, September 18th at 9am.
- **Blachly's District Equity Committee**
 - In Oregon the (ORS) 329.711, which mandates that school districts establish District Equity Committees (DECs) to address educational impacts and improve student experiences for historically underserved groups.
 - We have our first meeting of the 2026-27 school year Monday, September 28th.

- **Transportation:**
 - **Home-to-School Routes:**
 - Two of our home-to-school routes is drove by district employed bus drivers.
 - One of our home-to-school routes will continue to be contracted through First Student at the start of the school year while we work to hire an additional district bus driver.
 - **Activity Bus Routes:**
 - 2 routes run at 5:30 (east & west)
 - 1 route at 7:15 (west only)
- **Professional Development:**
 - **COSA Superintendent Academy Year 2**
 - Yearlong group
 - Monthly virtual meetings
 - 4 in-person learning sessions at conferences throughout the year.
 - **Administrator University Course:**
 - ADMN 644 Program Evaluation for Systems
 - ADMN 646 Maximizing and Aligning Organization Resources



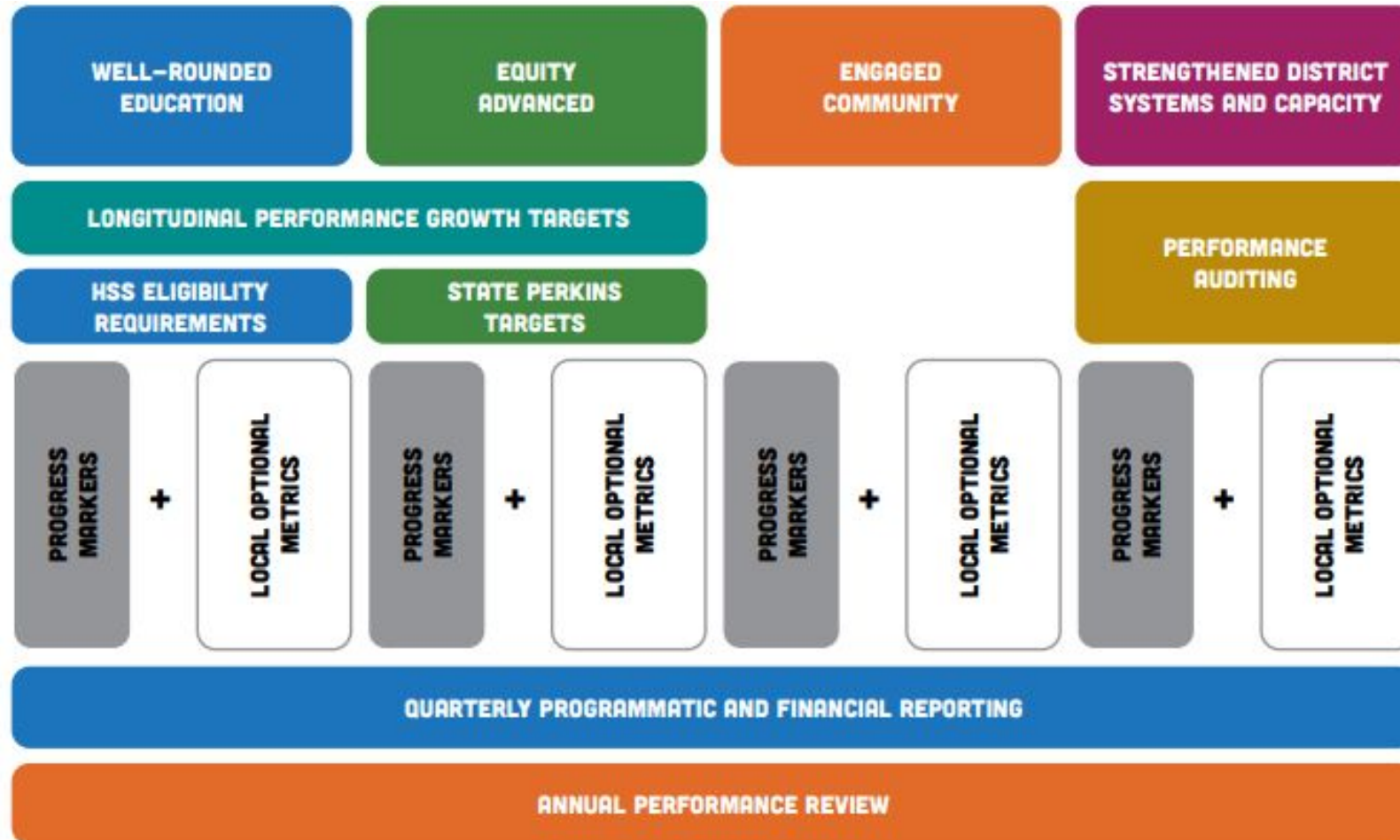
25-26 Integrated Programs Annual Report Presentation

Blachly School District

Annual Reporting Requirements

- ODE's annual report consists of two narrative questions (Optional inclusion of Progress Markers)
- Throughout the year, grant recipients have been asked to report expenditures and report on progress markers which will help inform overall progress on the annual report.

Summary of Integrated Programs Performance Measures



SIA Annual Report Requirements

- SIA recipients are required by statute to:
 - review their own progress on an annual basis through an annual progress report and financial audit
 - present their annual report to their governing board at an open meeting with opportunity for public comment (cannot be consent agenda item),
 - and post the report to the district or charter school website.
- If grantee set LPGTs and LOM:
 - In Year 1 of biennium: Affirm progress has been reviewed towards meeting the LPGTs in the grant agreement (Assurance)

Annual Report Narrative #1

As you review your progress markers/overall reflection responses and reflect on plan implementation, how do you see your progress contributing to the Outcomes and Strategies in your plan and your Longitudinal Performance Growth Targets (LPGT)/Local Optional Metrics (LOM)?

Discuss at least one Outcome where you have seen progress in implementation.

During this cycle, our primary improvement area was in early literacy interventions through a coordinated partnership between Genesis and our early literacy small groups.

- This structure enabled us to identify and **pull a high volume of students for High-Dosage Tutoring (HDT)**. From this cohort, we targeted students needing Tier 3 intervention for intensive 1:1 tutoring, which yielded major academic gains during the final 12-week push of the school year.
- While these targeted efforts have not yet fully translated into significant gains on the 3rd-grade reading state assessments, **our interim assessment data clearly shows strong growth trajectories**. We expect these early interventions to yield compounding performance gains as these cohorts progress.
- Moving forward, we aim to extend this targeted growth model into 4th and 5th grade, and securing continued funding will be critical to maintaining and scaling these high-impact interventions.

Annual Report Narrative #2

Where have you experienced barriers, challenges, or impediments to progress toward your Outcomes and Strategies in your plan that you could use support with?

Discuss at least one Outcome where you have seen challenges or barriers to implementation.

Our primary barrier to progress on our outcomes last year was facilities and infrastructure.

- While current funding supports basic maintenance, it is insufficient to make the strategic capital improvements needed to fully modernize our CTE environments.
- It is worth noting that our state facilities assessment highlights the strength of our routine care, indicating that only 6% of our facilities require replacement, a mark of pride for our team.
- However, maintaining existing structures is distinct from upgrading facilities to meet modern CTE standards. Supplemental funding and technical support in capital planning would enable us to align our physical learning spaces with our long-term program outcomes.

Blachly SD 90 Performance Growth Targets (PGTs)

Historical values
Performance Growth Targets

K-2 Regular Attendance

Group	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Baseline (All Students)	66.7	85.7	88.6	82.0	-	85.3	87.0	88.6	90.3
Gap-Closing (Comb. Focal Students)	60.6	84.8	88.9	79.3	-	83.0	84.9	86.7	88.6

K-12 Regular Attendance

Group	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Baseline (All Students)	70.6	91.1	88.1	74.4	-	78.6	80.7	82.8	84.9
Gap-Closing (Comb. Focal Students)	63.2	89.5	86.3	72.4	-	77.0	79.3	81.6	83.9

9th Grade On-Track

Group	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Baseline (All Students)	75	65.5	93.8	90.5	-	92.3	93.2	94.1	95
Gap-Closing (Comb. Focal Students)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

4-Year Graduation

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5-Year Completion

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Local Option Metric: Postsecondary Readiness

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Blachly School District #90

Code: DBDB
Adopted: 12/11/24

Fund Balance

The Board recognizes its responsibility to establish an unrestricted fund balance¹ in an amount sufficient to:

1. Protect the district from unnecessary borrowing in order to meet cash-flow needs;
2. Provide prudent reserves to meet unexpected emergencies and protect against catastrophic events;
3. Meet the uncertainties of state and federal funding; and
4. Help ensure a district credit rating that would qualify the district for lower interest costs and greater marketability of bonds that may be necessary in the construction and renovation of school facilities.

Consequently, the Board directs the superintendent to manage the currently adopted district budget in such a way to ensure an ending fund cash balance of at least 8 percent of total adopted revenues. If it's projected year-end fund balance falls below 5 percent for more than three consecutive months, the Board may look at budget cuts. If projected contingency fund is more than 10 percent for three or more consecutive months, a transfer may be made to the reserve fund for building maintenance.

In determining an appropriate unrestricted fund balance, the Board will consider a variety of factors with potential impact on the district's budget including the predictability and volatility of its expenditures²; the availability of resources in other funds as well as the potential drain upon general fund resources from other funds³; liquidity⁴; and designations⁵. Such factors will be reviewed annually.

END OF POLICY

¹ The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) recommends, at a minimum, that general-purpose governments, regardless of size, maintain an unrestricted fund balance in their general fund of no less than 5 to 15 percent of regular general fund operating revenues, or of no less than one to two months of regular general fund operating expenditures. The Oregon Association of School Business Officials recommends, at a minimum, an unrestricted ending fund balance of no less than 3 to 8 percent of the general fund budget. In general practice, levels of fund balance, typically, are less for larger governments than for smaller governments because of the magnitude of the amounts involved and because the diversification of their revenues and expenditures often results in lower degrees of volatility.

² Higher levels of unrestricted fund balance may be needed if significant revenue sources are subject to unpredictable fluctuations or if operating expenditures are highly volatile.

³ The availability of resources in other funds may reduce the amount of unrestricted fund balance needed in the general fund, just as deficits in other funds may require that a higher level of unrestricted fund balance be maintained in the general fund.

⁴ The disparity between when financial resources actually become available to make payments and the average maturity of related liabilities may require that a higher level of resources be maintained.

⁵ The need to maintain a higher level of unrestricted fund balance to compensate for any portion of unrestricted fund balance already designated for a special purpose.

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 294.311\(18\)](#)

[ORS 294.398](#)

[ORS 332.107](#)