Garfield County School District
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AGENDA OF GARFIELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors
County School District

A Garfield County School District Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of County School District will be held Thursday, April 16, 2026, beginning at 5:00 PM in the Escalante High School, 800 UT-12, Escalante, UT 84726.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

I. Regular Board Meeting
If necessary, an executive session may be held in accordance with the Utah Code 52-4-205 (Purpose of Closed Meetings).
One or more members of the Board may participate telephonically in accordance with Utah Code 52-4-207 (Electronic Meetings).
Note: Board meeting schedule subject to change. The purpose of the open meetings provisions is to ensure that public bodies take their actions openly and conduct their deliberations openly in accordance with Utah Code 52-4-102(2), with the knowledge of the public. This law is not a mandate that members of the public be permitted to participate or provide comments in all public meetings.

A. Welcome
ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION MAY BE LIMITED BY A SCHEDULED POWER OUTAGE AND IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED.
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II. Consent Agenda Items

Our adopted rules of Parliamentary Procedure, Robert's Rules, provide for a consent agenda listing several items for approval of the Board by a single motion. Most of the items listed under the consent agenda have gone through Board subcommittee review and recommendation. Documentation concerning these items has been provided to all Board members and the public in advance to assure an extensive and thorough review. Items may be removed from the consent agenda at the request of any board member.

A. Approve School Board Meeting Minutes

B. Approve Financial Reports

C. Approve Hiring Recommendations
L. Cox-PES Instructional Coach/Reading Specialist
K. Berglund-EES Teacher
S. Swapp-BVES Teacher
M. Marshall-PES SpEd Teacher
K. Curtis-PES Teacher
L. Steed-PHS Sub
L. Griffin-PHS Volleyball Coach
M. Sylvester- PES Teacher
T. Kern- BVHS Assistant Cheer Coach

D. Letters of Resignation
M. McAndrews-EES/EHS SpEd
K. Denhoff-BVHS Ag Teacher

E. Enrollment Report

F. Home School Affidavits

G. Sports and Transportation Approvals

Submission and Approval Timeline:

1. **Fall Sports Schedules:**
   - Submission: May of the previous school year
   - Approval: June board meeting
2. **Winter Sports Schedules:**
   - Submission: August
   - Approval: September board meeting
3. **Spring Sports Schedules:**
   - Submission: December
   - Approval: January board meeting
4. **Summer Sports Schedules:**
   - Submission: April
   - Approval: May board meeting

Approval Criteria:

When reviewing sports travel schedules, the board will focus on:

- **Amount of Travel:** Total number and frequency of trips
- **Distance:** Reasonableness and necessity of travel distance
- **Time Out of School:** Impact on instructional time
- **Potential Costs:** Financial implications including transportation, accommodation, and related expenses
- **Approve Schedules:** and all trips over 150 miles.

Coaches' Responsibilities:

- Follow travel procedures: number of chaperones, appropriate accommodations, and use of district vehicles.
- Fill out the trip request form and bus request forms for the school and district level at the time of the trip.

-PHS Softball additional home games

H. Other Travel Approval
BVHS-FFA State CDE Contest
BVES-HRS Conference
L. Marshall-PD Conference
BVHS-Cultural Trip

I. Trust Lands/TSSA
Approve 2025-2026 School Year Trust Land Plans
https://schoollandtrust.schools.utah.gov/login?redirect=%2Fhome

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III. Public Comment

IV. Reports

A. School Board Report
Myron Cottam
Ralph Perkins
April LeFevre
Curtis Barney
Jared Brems

B. Superintendent Report

C. Business Administrator Report

V. Board Discussion

A. Review Exchange Student Policy

B. M&O Budget Recommendation

C. CTE APEX Center

VI. Board Business

A. Future Board Items
Tentative Board Business Items by Month

B. Set Upcoming Board Meetings
Board Meeting Calendar

VII. Public Comment

VIII. Board Action Items

A. Final Reading: Fee Schedule
2026-27 Proposed Fee Schedule:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18BirVXMrFvVlwN5XKbq2lF2Hgc3qTrEM/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=110170119535610917509&rtpof=true&sd=true

B. Superintendent Contract

C. Data Review for Instruction in Health
Data Review Requirements for Instruction in Health
Every two years, a local school board shall review data on the following: teen pregnancy, child sexual abuse, and sexually transmitted disease and infections. In addition, the local board shall review the number of pornography complaints or other instances reported within jurisdiction of the local school board.

Please indicate which data was reviewed by the local school board in **2026**.
Current data can be found here: https://tinyurl.com/yrz37963

D. Washington DC Trip Approval
Ryan Bytheway will be presenting for all schools.

E. Bus Purchase

F. Fleet Purchases

G. Approve Busses for Event

H. Rental Fee Waiver

I. Year End Bonuses

IX. Executive Session

5. Discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.
6. Discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems.
7. Strategy to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation.
8. Strategy sessions to discuss collective bargaining.

9. Strategy to discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real estate.
10. Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal conduct.

X. Adjournment

Notice of this meeting was .

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For the Board

Garfield County School District Board Meeting
Thursday, April 16, 2026 5:00 PM Mountain

Escalante High School
800 UT-12
Escalante, UT 84726

I. Regular Board Meeting

I.A. Welcome

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda with the correction being made to the namings on the positions. This motion, made by Myron Cottam and seconded by April LeFevre, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0
The meeting was called to order at 5:04 PM. All board members were present including April Lefevre, Ralph Perkins, Myron Cottam, Jared Brems, and Curtis Barney. Superintendent John Dodds and Business Administrator Lane Mecham were also present.

II. Consent Agenda Items

II.A. Approve School Board Meeting Minutes

II.B. Approve Financial Reports

II.C. Approve Hiring Recommendations

II.D. Letters of Resignation

II.E. Enrollment Report

II.F. Home School Affidavits

II.G. Sports and Transportation Approvals

II.H. Other Travel Approval

II.I. Trust Lands/TSSA

III. Public Comment

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IV. Reports

IV.A. School Board Report
The Board reported on their various Board activities since the prior meeting.

IV.B. Superintendent Report
Supeintendent reported on the upcoming meetings and other happenings across the district.

IV.C. Business Administrator Report
Lane updated the Board on construction and funding business..

V. Board Discussion

V.A. Review Exchange Student Policy
The board had discussion about exchange student policies and funding.

V.B. M&O Budget Recommendation
Lane reported that funding is currently projected to be down for the online school and only moderate increases in the brick and mortar schools. He reported that he was waiting for benefits final rates and funding final estimates before giving M&O recommendations.

V.C. CTE APEX Center
Lane provided a report on the Apex center and the process for applying for the grant.

VI. Board Business

VI.A. Future Board Items
The Board reviewed the upcoming agenda items.

VI.B. Set Upcoming Board Meetings
The Board set the meeting for May 28, 2026.

VII. Public Comment

Jenny Evans expressed concerns that the computer science program might be eliminated next year. She requested the Board consider ways to keep the computer science program active if the funding is eliminated.
Rowdy Miller requested the Board consider recognizing the Sterling Scholars through some level of compensation.

VIII. Board Action Items

VIII.A. Final Reading: Fee Schedule
April made a motion to approve the final reading of the fee schedule. This motion, made by April LeFevre and seconded by Ralph Perkins, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0
Lane reported there was only one change to football.

VIII.B. Superintendent Contract
A motion was made to move the item to the end of the meeting. This motion, made by April LeFevre and seconded by Myron Cottam, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0
A motion was made to approve a 2.0% step increase, a 3.0% COLA, and a schedule that matches the teacher weekly schedule on a 2-year contract. This motion, made by Curtis Barney and seconded by April LeFevre, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0
Ralph reported that the Board was not ready to take action just yet. April suggested that the Board go into executive session and come back to finalize the negotiations.

VIII.C. Data Review for Instruction in Health
A motion was made to accept the data. This motion, made by Myron Cottam and seconded by Curtis Barney, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0

VIII.D. Washington DC Trip Approval
A motion was made to approve the schools to plan the DC trip contingent on them returning to the Board for final approval prior to leaving for the trip. This motion, made by Ralph Perkins and seconded by April LeFevre, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0

VIII.E. Bus Purchase
A motion was made to approve the purchase of the bus. This motion, made by Myron Cottam and seconded by April LeFevre, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0
A motion was made to approve the purchase of the bus. This motion, made by Myron Cottam and seconded by April LeFevre, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0

VIII.F. Fleet Purchases
Lane described the condition of the current fleet and the need to make some catch up purchases.

VIII.G. Approve Busses for Event
A motion was made to approve the use of a school bus. This motion, made by April LeFevre and seconded by Ralph Perkins, Carried.

Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0

VIII.H. Rental Fee Waiver
A motion was made to approve the waiver of the fees for the use of PHS and its track. This motion, made by April LeFevre and seconded by Ralph Perkins, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0

VIII.I. Year End Bonuses
A motion was made to approve the year end bonuses. This motion, made by Myron Cottam and seconded by Ralph Perkins, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0
Lane reported on the condition of the budget and reported that it was healthy and recommended approval of the bonus. He thanked the teachers for their flexibility in negotiating the bonus and that it's provided the district a lot of flexibility for the district.

IX. Executive Session

1. Discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.
2. Discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems.
3. Strategy to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation.
4. Strategy sessions to discuss collective bargaining.
5. Strategy to discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real estate.
6. Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal conduct.

A motion was made to go into executives session for item 4. This motion, made by April LeFevre and seconded by Curtis Barney, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0
A motion was made to leave executive session. This motion, made by Ralph Perkins and seconded by Myron Cottam, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Yea, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0

X. Adjournment

Garfield School District

Garfield County School District Board Meeting
The Heritage Center, 20 N Main St , Tropic, UT 84776
Thursday, March 19, 2026

I. Regular Board Meeting

I.A. Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. Superintendent John Dodds and Business Administrator Lane Mecham were present along with Board Members Ralph Perkins, Myron Cottam, Jared Brems, and April Lefevre with Curtis Barney being absent.

II. Consent Agenda Items

II.A. Approve School Board Meeting Minutes

II.B. Approve Financial Reports

II.C. Approve Hiring Recommendations

II.D. Letters of Resignation

II.E. Enrollment Report

II.F. Home School Affidavits

II.G. Sports and Transportation Approvals

II.H. Other Travel Approval

II.I. Trust Lands/TSSA

III. Public Comment

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IV. Reports

IV.A. School Board Report

The school board members reported on their various assignments and meetings since the previous board meeting.

IV.A.1. Bryce Valley High School Data Report
Rowdy Miller presented to BVHS student data.

IV.B. Superintendent Report
Superintendent Dodds reported on legislative matters and other various reports since the previous meeting.

IV.C. Business Administrator Report
Lane reported on the various construction projects across the district and legislative matters.

V. Board Discussion

VI. Board Business

VI.A. Future Board Items
The Board reviewed the upcoming business items.

VI.B. Set Upcoming Board Meetings
The meeting was scheduled for Escalante on April 16th, at 3:00 and 5:00 PM for the work and regular meetings, respectively. They also moved the May meeting to the 28th in Panguitch.

VII. Public Comment

Luciene Syrett made comments

VIII. Board Action Items

VIII.A. 2nd Reading of Fee Schedule
A motion was made to approve the 2nd reading of the fee schedule. This motion, made by April LeFevre and seconded by Myron Cottam, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Absent, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VIII.B. 2nd Reading Weight Room Fees
A motion was made to approve the weight room fees with retired employees being free and as a final reading. This motion, made by April LeFevre and seconded by Myron Cottam, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Absent, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VIII.C. Start Dates for New Employees
A motion was made to allow new employees to start once a background check and hiring docs were complete and notice was sent to board members of the hiring for approval. This motion, made by Ralph Perkins and seconded by Myron Cottam, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Absent, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Superintendent Dodds discussed the starting date of new employees and whether they should start prior to the Board giving formal approval.

VIII.D. DC Trip
Discussion of the topic was moved ahead in the agenda. The Board and Superintendent expressed their support for the trip, though how we do it might need to be addressed across the District. President Perkins opened the meeting for public comment on the matter.

Luciene Syrett made comments about the experience she had during the trip and expressed her support for the trip continuing. She expressed support for doing the trip every other year rather than every year. She made comments about running for school board and gave a report on community council as well.

Trista Rich made comments about the DC trip and suggested that it could be a 6th and 7th grade combined trip to make it every other year instead of every year.

Rowdy Miller made comments that going every other year is not a good idea. That going every year has some benefits.

Phoebe Wiseman made comments about going every other year. She commented that mixing 6th and 7th graders are at different maturity levels and expressed concerns about mixing the two grades.

The Board had some discussion about the matter. Trista Rich asked for clarity on whether the schools had to go together. Ralph commented that he did not want to require that, other board members expressed support for that position.

VIII.E. District Paid PD Policy

VIII.F. Superintendent Contract

VIII.G. Landscaping Project-EHS/BVHS
Motion to approve the stucco contract for $38,000 from Rojo Construction and leave it open for further art negotiations in the future. This motion, made by Myron Cottam and seconded by Jared Brems, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Absent, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VIII.H. Stucco

VIII.I. Architects Contract
A motion was made to approve the contract for the architect fees. This motion, made by April LeFevre and seconded by Ralph Perkins, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Absent, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VIII.J. Purchase of Panguitch Lot

A motion was made to approve the purchase of the contract for the land. This motion, made by Jared Brems and seconded by Ralph Perkins, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Absent, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VIII.K. Panguitch City Lot
A motion was made to approve the contract for the land. This motion, made by Jared Brems and seconded by Ralph Perkins, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Absent, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

IX. Executive Session

1. Discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.
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4. Strategy sessions to discuss collective bargaining.
5. Strategy to discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real estate.
6. Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal conduct.

X. Adjournment

Barney Curtis; Brems Jared; Cottam Myron ; LeFevre April; Perkins Ralph

Garfield School District

Garfield County School District Work Meeting
The Heritage Center, 20 N Main St , Tropic, UT 84776
Thursday, March 19, 2026

I. Work Meeting

I.A. Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 10:40 AM. Superintendent John Dodds and Business Administrator Lane Mecham were in attendance along with board members Jared Brems, April Lefevre, Myron Cottam, and Ralph Perkins present. Curtis Barney being absent.

II. DIP

The superintendent led the Board in a discussion about district improvements being targeted for the 2026-2027 school year. He also discussed the Legislative Fiscal Auditor findings relating to Board management and some of the recommendations that have come from that audit.

III. Trustlands

The Board reviewed the final plans and submitted them for final approval.

IV. Superintendent Evaluation

Superintendent discussed his own evaluation and the evaluation process.

V. Discussion Items

V.A. Fundraising and Fee Schedule

The group discussed the fees on the schedule and legislative changes that might impact the fees. There was also discussion about fundraising, fundraising practices, and policies.

V.B. Staffing

V.C. Capital Projects

Lane discussed the capital projects being proposed for the next year and also the strategies being taken to mitigate cost risks and reduce overall costs for the projects.

V.D. Washington DC Trip

The Board discussed the Washington DC trip and how the district would approach the trip moving forward.

V.E. Spring Regional Meeting / Legislative Update

The group discussed some of the legislative changes from this year's session and the impacts it might have on the district.

VI. Board Training

VI.A. Audit Committee Training

Lane led the Board in training related to the annual required trainings related to Open and Public Meetings, audit committees, board governance, financial management and oversight, and also ethics.

VII. Review Board Agenda

VIII. Executive Session

1. Discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual.
2. Discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems.
3. Strategy to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation.
4. Strategy sessions to discuss collective bargaining.
5. Strategy to discuss the purchase, exchange or lease of real estate.
6. Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal conduct.

A motion was made to go into executive sesssion for negotiations of real estate and also to discuss personnel. This motion, made by Myron Cottam and seconded by April LeFevre, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Absent, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VIII.A. Non Renewal Discussions

IX. Adjournment
A motion was made to leave executive session. This motion, made by Myron Cottam and seconded by April LeFevre, Carried.
Curtis Barney: Absent, Jared Brems: Yea, Myron Cottam: Yea, April LeFevre: Yea, Ralph Perkins: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Barney Curtis; Brems Jared; Cottam Myron ; LeFevre April; Perkins Ralph

Garfield County School District

Hiring Documentation

School: Panguitch Elementary Position: Instructional Coach/Reac Date: 03/18/26

All Applicants

Name	Name
Natalie Perkins	
Judy Rembacz	
Laura Cox	

Applicants Interviewed

Name	Name
Natalie Perkins	
Judy Rembacz	
Laura Cox	

Interview Committee or Screening Committee

Name	Position
Maegin Torgersen	Community Council Member
John Dodds	Superintendent
Lisa Breinholt	PES Principal
Alysha Edwards	PES Teacher
Kami Savage	PES Teacher

Recommendation for position(s):

Laura Cox

Signature of Administrator:

Garfield County School District

Hiring Documentation

School: Escalante Elementary Position: 1st Grade Teacher Date: 3/24/26

All Applicants

Name	Name
James Mullennax	Sandra Holcomb
Marla McPherson	Dallen Platt
Naketa Martell	Barbara Dodson
Makayla Taylor	Seth Swapp
Kate Godsey	Kathleen Berglund
Colby Carroll	Keyera Churilla
Christine Austin	

Applicants Interviewed

Name	Name
Makayla Taylor	Seth Swapp
Kate Godsey	Kathleen Berglund
Colby Carroll	Keyera Churilla

Interview Committee or Screening Committee

Name	Position
Naketa Martell	Community Council Member
	District Employee
	District Employee
Ryan Bytheway	School Principal
Tari Cottam	School Secretary
Larry Marshall	Teacher
Eva Durfey	Teacher

Recommendation for position(s):

Kathleen Berglund

Signature of Administrator: Ryan Bytheway

Garfield County School District
Hiring Documentation

School: Panguitch Elementary Position: SPED Teacher Date: 3-19-26

All Applicants

Name	Name
Taelyr Leach	
Melissa Marshall	

Applicants Interviewed

Name	Name
Taelyr Leach	
Melissa Marshall	

Interview Committee or Screening Committee

Name	Position
Cathy Woolsey	Community Council Member
Freeta Frandsen	District Employee
Britney Frandsen	District Employee
Lisa Brenholt	Principal
Vonnie Parkin	SPED director
Maegan Torgersen	Community Council

Recommendation for position(s):

Melissa Marshall

Signature of Administrator: Lisa Brenholt

Garfield County School District

Hiring Documentation

School: Bryce Valley Elem. Position: Teacher Date: 3/23/2026

All Applicants

Name	Name
Seth Swapp	Colby Carroll
Karen Douglas	James Mullennax
Melinda Overson	Laura Pollock
Kathleen Berglund	Christine Austin
Barbara Dodson	

Applicants Interviewed

Name	Name
Karen Douglas	
Barbara Dodson	
Kathleen Berglund	
Seth Swapp	

Interview Committee or
Screening Committee

Name	Position
Trista Rich	District Employee
Kim Stewart	District Employee
Andrea Brinkerhoff	District Employee
Stephanie Miller	District Employee
Amber Williams	Community Member / Parent
Wyatt Mecham	Community Member / Parent

Recommendation for position(s):
We recommend that Seth Swapp be hired as our new teacher at Bryce Valley Elementary.

Signature of Administrator:

Garfield County School District
Hiring Documentation

School: Panguitch Elementary Position: Reg Ed Teacher Date: 3-19-26

All Applicants

Name	Name
Seth Swapp	James Mullenaux
Joshua Langston	Karie Millet
Autumn Excell	Christine Austin
Colby Carroll	
Kortney Curtis	
Karen Douglas	
Barbara Dodson	

Applicants Interviewed

Name	Name
Seth Swapp	Karen Douglas
Joshua Langston	
Autumn Excell	
Colby Carroll	
Kortney Curtis	
Barbara Dodson	

Interview Committee or Screening Committee

Name	Position
Cathy Woolsey	Community Council Member
Freeia Frandsen	District Employee
Brittney Dodds	District Employee
Vonnie Parkin	SPED Director
Lisa Breinholt	Principal
Maegan Torgersen	Community Council

Recommendation for position(s):

Kortney Curtis

Signature of Administrator: Lisa Breinholt

Garfield County School District
Hiring Documentation

School: PES Position: Reg Ed. Teacher Date: April 9, 2026

All Applicants

Name	Name
Joshua Langston	
Barbara Dodson	
Madisen Sylvester	
Autumn Excell	
David McCabe	
Colby Carroll	
Daniel Gilbeadi	
Judy Rembacz	

Applicants Interviewed

Name	Name
Joshua Langston	Joshua, Autumn and Barbara were interviewed in previous hiring round - Committee chose not to re-interview but considered them for this opening
Barbara Dodson	
Madisen Sylvester	
Autumn Excell	

Interview Committee or Screening Committee

Name	Position
Cathy Woolsey	Community Council Member
Vonnie Parker	District Employee
Freeia Frandsen	District Employee
Brittney Dodds	Teacher
Lisa Breinholt	Principal
Maegan Torgersen	Parent / PTO

(hiring committee was the same for both rounds of interviews).

Recommendation for position(s):

Madisen Sylvester

Signature of Administrator: Lisa Breinholt

Garfield County School District

Hiring Documentation

School: PANGUITCH HIGH SCHOOL Position: HEAD VOLLEYBALL COACH Date: 04/13/2026

All Applicants

Name	Name
FRANCIS FARANI	→ Didn't show up to interview
CASSY MOON	→ TOOK JOB BEFORE WE CONTACTED
LEXI GRIFFIN	

Applicants Interviewed

Name	Name
LEXI GRIFFIN	

Interview Committee or Screening Committee

Name	Position
CLINT BARNEY	Community Council Member
	District Employee
	District Employee

Recommendation for position(s):

LEXI GRIFFIN

Signature of Administrator: Russell M Torgerson

Garfield County School District

Hiring Documentation

School: Bryce Valley High School Position: Assistant Cheer Coach Date: 3/27/26

All Applicants	
Name	Name
Tanya Kern	

Applicants Interviewed	
Name	Name
Tanya Kern	

Screening Committee	
Name	Position
Rowdy Miller	School Employee
Fred Beesley	Athletic Director
Samie Ott	District Employee

Recommendation for position(s): Tanya Kern

Signature of Administrator:

Enrollment as April 14, 2026 – 1,267*

*Decrease of 5 students from March 18, 2026 Count (1,272)

Enrollment | Schools | Status | Race | Sex

Active Students	Grade:	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Boulder Elementary				1	1	1		2	1							6
Bryce Valley Elementary		12	17	18	12	20	22	19	20							140
Escalante Elementary		18	7	12	15	7	11	10	14							94
Garfield Online School			86	94	82	71	60	51	37							481
Panguitch Elementary		40	29	26	29	28	29	35	28							244
Bryce Valley High School										16	23	24	10	27	17	117
Escalante High School										12	8	10	14	7	10	61
Panguitch High School										33	28	27	36	32	38	194
Effective 4/14/2026		70	139	151	139	127	122	117	100	61	59	61	60	66	65	1337
															Subtract Pre-K	70
															Total K-12 Enrollment	1,267

Pre-K Enrollment

Garfield School District

Enrollment

Schools

Active Students	Grade:	PK - Total	3 yr	4 yr	5 yr
Boulder Elementary		0	0	0	0
Bryce Valley Elementary		12	3	5	4
Escalante Elementary		18	3	10	5
Panguitch Elementary		40	18	20	2
Total		**70**	**24**	**35**	**11**

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Trip Request Form

Requestor's Name	Katherine Denhof
Requestor's School Location	Bryce Valley High School
Contact E-mail	katherine.denhof@garfk12.org
Trip Type	Activity Trip (Sports, Club, etc.)
Date Leaving	04-20-2026
Day of Week - Leaving	Monday
Date Returning	04-22-2026
Day of Week - Returning	Wednesday
Describe the Purpose of the Trip	At the FFA State CDE contests students will have the opportunity to compete in hands on events that they have been practicing for all year. Students will get to compete then attend a next step expo where they can explore different colleges and career paths while networking with others from across the entire state.

Number of Students Attending	8
Number of Chaperones (Note: 15:1 student-chaperone ratio)	1
Name of Destination City & State	Logan, Utah
Trip Distance	Over 200 miles
Mode of Transportation	Suburban/Other School Vehicle

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Trip Request Form

Requestor's Name	Larry Marshall
Requestor's School Location	Escalante Elementary
Contact E-mail	larry.marshall@garfk12.org
Trip Type	Professional Development / Training
Date Leaving	03-25-2026
Day of Week - Leaving	Wednesday
Date Returning	03-30-2026
Day of Week - Returning	Monday
Describe the Purpose of the Trip	IXL Training is Salt Lake City
Number of Students Attending	0
Number of Chaperones (Note: 15:1 student-chaperone ratio)	0

Name of Destination City & State	Salt Lake City, Utah
Trip Distance	Over 200 miles
Mode of Transportation	Other

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Trip Request Form

Requestor's Name	Samie Ott
Requestor's School Location	Bryce Valley High School
Contact E-mail	samie.ott@garfk12.org
Trip Type	Field Trip
Date Leaving	04-21-2026
Day of Week - Leaving	Tuesday
Date Returning	04-22-2026
Day of Week - Returning	Wednesday
Describe the Purpose of the Trip	Junior & Senior Field Trip to Utah Tech, Bodies & Titanic Museum, and Ball game.
Number of Students Attending	40
Number of Chaperones (Note: 15:1 student-chaperone ratio)	4

Name of Destination City & State	St. George, Utah; Summerlin, Nevada; Las Vegas, Nevada
Trip Distance	Over 200 miles
Mode of Transportation	Bus

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Trip Request Form

Requestor's Name	Trista Rich
Requestor's School Location	Bryce Valley Elementary
Contact E-mail	trista.rich@garfk12.org
Trip Type	Professional Development / Training
Date Leaving	06-13-2026
Day of Week - Leaving	Saturday
Date Returning	06-17-2026
Day of Week - Returning	Wednesday
Describe the Purpose of the Trip	Taking 12 staff members to the High Reliability Schools Conference in Orlando, FL.
Number of Students Attending	0

Number of Chaperones (Note: 15:1 student-chaperone ratio)	0
Name of Destination City & State	Orlando, FL
Trip Distance	Over 200 miles
Mode of Transportation	Suburban/Other School Vehicle