

Special Meeting  
Tuesday, August 20, 2024 6:00 PM

Dr. Matthew Prophet Education Center  
501 N. Dixon St.  
Portland, OR 97227

## **Agenda**

1. 6:00 pm - Opening
2. 6:05 pm - Consent Agenda - Resolutions 6951 through 6953 *Vote- Public comment accepted*
  - 2.(a) Resolution 6951 - Adoption of the Index to the Minutes
  - 2.(b) Resolution 6952 - Expenditure Contracts
  - 2.(c) Resolution 6953 - Revenue Contracts
3. 6:10 pm - Expenditure Contract (Resolution 6954) *Vote- public comment accepted*
4. 6:15 pm - Expenditure Contract (Resolution 6955) *Vote- public comment accepted*
5. 6:20 pm - Resolution Supporting Student Mental Health and Learning (Resolution 6956) *Vote- Public comment accepted*
6. 6:25 pm - Adjourn

**RESOLUTION No. 6951**

Adoption of the Index to the Minutes

The Following Index to the Minutes are offered for Adoption:

- August 06, 2024 – Regular Meeting



## Index to the Minutes

*(Draft for Approval)*

### Regular Meeting

August 06, 2024

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*This meeting was held at the Dr. Matthew Prophet Education Center (Prophet Center) located at 501 N Dixon St. Portland, OR 97217 and streamed live at: <https://www.youtube.com/@ppsboardofeducation/live>*

#### Board Member Attendance

Present: Chair Gary Hollands; Vice-Chair Herman Greene; Directors Julia Brim-Edwards, Michelle DePass, Andrew Scott, Patte Sullivan, and Eddie Wang; Student Representative Frankie Silverstein

Absent: None

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## Agenda

### Time Started    Agenda Title

6:21 pm	Called to Order and opening
6:22 pm	Student Representative's Report
6:25 pm	Superintendent's Report
6:31 pm	Discussion: Resolution Supporting Student Mental Health and Learning
7:09 pm	Consent Agenda: Resolutions 6942 through 6946
7:20 pm	Expenditure Contract – Resolution 6948
7:48 pm	Expenditure Contracts – Resolutions 6949 and 6950
8:10 pm	Board Committee and Conference Reports
8:14 pm	Board Committees
8:37 pm	First Reading of Policies
9:06 pm	Next Steps/Future Meetings Topics
9:26 pm	Adjourned

## Student and Public Comment

None

## Action Items

- **Consent Agenda - Resolutions 6942 through 6946**

Director Andrew Scott moved and Director Hollands seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda, including Resolutions 6942 through 6946. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7 yes – 0 no).

Director Julia Brim-Edwards: Yes, Director Michelle DePass: Yes, Director Herman Greene: Yes, Director Gary Hollands: Yes, Director Andrew Scott: Yes, Director Patte Sullivan: Yes, Director Eddie Wang: Yes, Student Representative Kunsevi: Yes (Unofficial)

- **Resolution 6947 – Resolution to Establish the Portland Public Schools Standing Committees for the 2024-25 School Year**

Director Andrew Scott moved and Director Hollands seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6947. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7 yes – 0 no).

Director Julia Brim-Edwards: Yes, Director Michelle DePass: Yes, Director Herman Greene: Yes, Director Gary Hollands: Yes, Director Andrew Scott: Yes, Director Patte Sullivan: Yes, Director Eddie Wang: Yes, Student Representative Silverstein: Yes (Unofficial)

- **Resolutions 6948 - Expenditure Contract**

Director Andrew Scott moved and Director Hollands seconded the motion to approve Resolution 6948. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (6 yes – 1 no).

Director Julia Brim-Edwards: No, Director Michelle DePass: Yes, Director Herman Greene: Yes, Director Gary Hollands: Yes, Director Andrew Scott: Yes, Director Patte Sullivan: Yes, Director Eddie Wang: Yes, Student Representative Silverstein: Yes (Unofficial)

- **Resolutions 6949 and 6950 - Expenditure Contracts**

Director Andrew Scott moved and Director Hollands seconded the motion to approve Resolutions 6949 and 6950. The motion was put to a voice vote and passed (7 yes – 0 no).

Director Julia Brim-Edwards: Yes, Director Michelle DePass: Yes, Director Herman Greene: Yes, Director Gary Hollands: Yes, Director Andrew Scott: Yes, Director Patte Sullivan: Yes, Director Eddie Wang: Yes, Student Representative Silverstein: Yes (Unofficial)

**RESOLUTION No. 6931**

Withdrawn

## RESOLUTION No. 6942

### Expenditure Contracts that Exceed \$150,000 for Delegation of Authority

#### RECITAL

Portland Public Schools (“District”) Public Contracting Rules PPS-45-0200 (“Authority to Approve District Contracts; Delegation of Authority to Superintendent”) requires the Board of Education (“Board”) enter into contracts and approve payment for products, materials, supplies, capital outlay, equipment, and services whenever the total amount exceeds \$150,000 per contract, excepting settlement or real property agreements. Contracts meeting this criterion are listed below.

#### RESOLUTION

The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve these contracts. The Board accepts this recommendation and by this resolution authorizes the Deputy Clerk to enter into the following agreements.

#### NEW CONTRACTS

No New Contracts

Contractor	Contract Term	Contract Type	Description of Services	Contract Amount	Responsible Admin, Funding Source	Certified Business
The Blueprint Foundation	8/7/24 through 6/30/25 Option to renew for up to four additional one-year terms through 6/30/29	Personal Services PS 95293	RESJ student support services Request for Proposals 2024-008	Original Term: \$39,814 Total through all renewals: \$199,070	R. Adams Fund 101 Dept. 5432	N/A - nonprofit
Black Excellence Group	8/7/24 through 6/30/25 Option to renew for up to four additional one-year terms through 6/30/29	Personal Services PS 95249	RESJ student support services Request for Proposals 2024-008	Original Term: \$450,000 Total through all renewals: \$2,250,000	R. Adams Fund 101 Dept. 5432	No
Black Parent Initiative	8/7/24 through 6/30/25 Option to renew for up to four additional one-year terms through 6/30/29	Personal Services PS 95278	RESJ student support services Request for Proposals 2024-008	Original Term: \$252,000 Total through all renewals: \$1,260,000	R. Adams Fund 101 Dept. 5432	N/A - nonprofit
Albina Head Start	8/12/24 through 7/11/25	Personal Services PS 95402	Provide program support for infants and toddlers in compliance with the Federal Early Head Start policy and practices for the District’s Teen Parent program.  Direct Negotiation – Ongoing, long term relationship PPS-46-0525(3)	\$190,000	C. Proctor Fund 101 Dept. 4306	N/A - Nonprofit

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**NEW COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENTS**

No New Cooperative Purchasing Agreements

**NEW INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS (“IGAs”)**

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Contract Term</b>	<b>Contract Type</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>	<b>Responsible Administrator, Funding Source</b>	<b>Certified Business</b>
Tri-Met	8/27/24 through 6/22/25	Intergovernmental Agreement IGA 95403	Provide public transit passes to high school students in lieu of yellow bus service.	\$1,987,333	D. Jung Fund 101 Dept. 5560	N/A
Portland State University	5/30/25 through 6/30/27	Hotel Catering HCS 95385	Event space rental for 11 high school graduations over three years.	\$187,002	C. Proctor Fund 101 Dept. 5404	N/A

**AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING CONTRACTS**

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Amended Term</b>	<b>Contract Type</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<b>Amendment Amount, Contract Amount</b>	<b>Responsible Administrator, Funding Source</b>	<b>Certified Business</b>
Tools for Schools	8/31/23 through 8/30/25	Digital Resource DR 93817 Amendment 1	Renewal of Book Creator 1000 book licenses for one additional year. Special Class Procurement – Copyrighted Materials & Creative Works PPS-47-0288(4)	\$88,800 \$177,600	C. Proctor Fund 205 Dept. 5445 Grant G2283	No

**RESOLUTION No. 6943**

Revenue Contracts that Exceed \$150,000 for Delegation of Authority

**RECITAL**

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**RESOLUTION**

The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve these contracts. The Board accepts this recommendation and by this resolution authorizes the Deputy Clerk to enter into the following agreements.

**NEW REVENUE CONTRACTS**

No new Revenue Contracts,

**NEW INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS (“IGAs”)**

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Contract Term</b>	<b>/Contract Type</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>	<b>Responsible Admin, Funding Source</b>
Oregon Department of Education	7/1/24 through 6/30/25	Intergovernmental Agreement / Revenue IGA/R XXXXX*	Funding to provide free menstrual products for all elementary, middle, and high school students.	\$198,921	D. Jung
Oregon Department of Education	7/1/24 through 6/30/25	Intergovernmental Agreement / Revenue IGA/R 95367	Funding to pay for certification of PPS staff in nonviolent crisis intervention methods.	\$354,731	J. Buno
Oregon Department of Education	7/1/23 through 6/30/25	Intergovernmental Agreement / Revenue IGA/R XXXXX*	Funding to support education services for children located in a Providence medical facility.	\$2,187,681	J. Buno
State of Oregon	7/1/24 through 9/30/25	Intergovernmental Agreement / Revenue IGA/R 95372	Funding to provide students with disabilities pre-employment transition service.	\$485,568	J. Buno
State of Oregon	7/1/24 through 6/30/26	Intergovernmental Agreement / Revenue IGA/R 95376	Funding for seismic rehabilitation at Marysville.	\$2,500,000	D. Jung

\* Contracts are in negotiation and not finalized at this time. Staff seeks advanced authorization for these contracts pursuant to the Purchasing & Contracting Delegation of Authority Administrative Directive, 8.50.105-AD, Section X(4): “The District may seek an ‘advanced authorization’ from the PPS Board of Education for any contract upon the approval of the Director of Purchasing & Contracting. The cost of the contract shall be a ‘Not to Exceed’ amount. Once the Board has approved it, no further authorization for the contract is required, providing the contract value remains at or below the ‘Not to Exceed’ amount.”

**AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING CONTRACTS**

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Contract Term</b>	<b>/Contract Type</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<b>Amendment Amount, Contract Amount</b>	<b>Responsible Admin, Funding Source</b>
State of Oregon	7/1/24 through 6/30/25	Intergovernmental Agreement / Revenue IGA/R 93903 Amendment 1	Funding for Teen Parent Services Childcare Program for 24/25.	\$172,320 \$479,280	C. Proctor

**RESOLUTION No. 6944**

Resolution to Appoint Audit Committee Members

**RECITALS**

1. Pursuant to Board Policy, the Board Audit Committee shall be comprised of five members appointed by the school board. All appointees shall be independent of the district's management and administrative service. The Audit Committee will be comprised of three members of the school board and two ex-officio public members with a general knowledge of the district and the audit process. Committee members shall serve for two years, serving from July 1 to June 30, and may be re-appointed at the end of their term.
2. The Audit Committee Chair, after consultation with the Committee members, recommends the Board appoint Caroline Zavitkovski and Jennifer Samuels as members for two years beginning immediately.

**RESOLUTION**

The Board appoints Caroline Zavitkovskias and Jennifer Samuels ex-officio members of the Board Audit Committee for a two-year term through June 30, 2026.

**RESOLUTION No. 6945**

Approving Board Member Conference Attendance as a Representative of the Board

**RECITALS**

Board Policy 1.40.070 requires Board approval for individual Board members to attend state or national meetings as representatives of the Board.

**RESOLUTION**

The Board affirms Director Patte Sullivan to attend the Oregon School Board Association Annual Summer Conference in Salem, Oregon from August 9-11, 2004.

**RESOLUTION No. 6946**

Adoption of the Index to the Minutes

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- July 09, 2024 – Regular Meeting

**Resolution No. 6947**

Resolution to Establish the Portland Public Schools Standing Committees for the 2024-25  
School Year

The Portland Public Schools Board of Education approves the establishment of the School Facilities Improvement Oversight Committee and the continuation of the Policy and Audit Committees for the 2024-25 school year.

**RESOLUTION No. 6948**

Expenditure Contracts that Exceed \$150,000 for Delegation of Authority

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**RESOLUTION**

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**NEW CONTRACTS**

No New Contracts

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Contract Term</b>	<b>Contract Type</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>	<b>Responsible Admin, Funding Source</b>	<b>Certified Business</b>
Rhodes Branding, LLC	8/7/24 through 6/30/25	Personal Services PS 95271	Marketing services and full rebrand support for CTE Program of Study Marketing. Informal Request for Proposals	\$171,090	C. Proctor Fund 205 Dept. 5438 Grant G2374 & G2356	No

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**NEW COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENTS**

No New Cooperative Purchasing Agreements

**NEW INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS (“IGAs”)**

**AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING CONTRACTS**

No New Amendments

**RESOLUTION No. 6949**

Expenditure Contracts that Exceed \$150,000 for Delegation of Authority

**RECITAL**

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**NEW COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENTS**

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**NEW INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS (“IGAs”)**

**AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING CONTRACTS**

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Contract Term</b>	<b>Contract Type</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>	<b>Responsible Administrator, Funding Source</b>	<b>Certified Business</b>
Go To Ms. Sams	6/28/23 through 6/30/29	Digital Resource DR 93426 Amendment 1	Social emotional learning curriculum – grades 6-8. This amendment extends the end date for 11 schools. Special Class Procurement – Copyrighted Materials & Creative Works PPS-47-0288(4)	\$153,300 \$465,150	C. Proctor Fund 459 Dept. 5445 Project DC301	No

**RESOLUTION No. 6950**

Expenditure Contracts that Exceed \$150,000 for Delegation of Authority

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**NEW CONTRACTS**

No New Contracts

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**NEW COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENTS**

No New Cooperative Purchasing Agreements

**NEW INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS (“IGAs”)**

**AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING CONTRACTS**

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Contract Term</b>	<b>Contract Type</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>	<b>Responsible Administrator, Funding Source</b>	<b>Certified Business</b>
Project Wayfinder	6/28/23 through 6/30/27	Digital Resource DR 93429 Amendment 2	Social emotional learning curriculum – grades K-5. This amendment adds K-8, and 9-12 schools. Special Class Procurement – Copyrighted Materials & Creative Works PPS-47-0288(4)	\$844,618 \$1,441,166	C. Proctor Fund 459 Dept. 5445 Project DC301	No

**RESOLUTION No. 6952**Expenditure Contracts that Exceed \$150,000 for Delegation of Authority**RECITAL**

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**NEW CONTRACTS**

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Sather Byerly & Holloway LLP	9/1/24 through 8/31/26	Legal Services LS 95441	Provide workers compensation and OSHA related legal services.	\$375,000	L. Large Fund 601 Dept. 5540	No
Lewis & Clark College	8/21/24 through 6/30/25	Personal Services PS 95438	Participation in the Racial Equity Centered Pipeline Initiative. Year 4 goals include clinical coaching, equity audits, and leadership preparation.  Direct Negotiation – Non-District Funding Source PPS-46-0525(6)	\$300,000	J. Buno Fund 299 Dept. 5449 Grant S0455	No
Schetky Northwest Sales, Inc.	8/21/24	Purchase Order PO 169850	Purchase of three electric school buses.  Request for Proposals 2024-029	\$897,608	D. Jung Fund 299 Dept. 5560 Grant S0416	No

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**NEW COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENTS**

No New Cooperative Purchasing Agreements

**NEW INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS (“IGAs”)**

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Contract Term</b>	<b>Contract Type</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>	<b>Responsible Administrator, Funding Source</b>
West Linn-Wilsonville School District	7/1/24 through 6/30/25	Intergovernmental Agreement IGA 95424	Regional services to eligible individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder.	\$181,000	J. Buno Fund 205 Dept. 5433 Grant G2308
Portland State University	7/1/24 through 6/30/25	Intergovernmental Agreement IGA 95439	Provide college-level coursework for seniors at students at Jefferson, McDaniel, and Roosevelt.	\$295,690	J. Buno Fund 101, 205 Dept 5438 Grant G2358

### AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING CONTRACTS

Contractor	Amendment Term	Contract Type	Description of Services	Amendment Amount, Contract Amount	Responsible Administrator, Funding Source	Certified Business
BORA Architects, Inc.	8/21/24 through 12/31/25	Architecture ARCH 94130 Amendment 4	Addition of Phase 2 Schematic Design and Design Development services for Ida B Wells High School Modernization.  Request for Proposals 2023-037	\$8,943,264 \$10,116,305  Estimated total through entire project: \$25,500,000	D. Jung Fund 459 Dept 5511	No
K12 Insight	8/21/24 through 8/31/25	Cooperative Contract COA 93984 Amendment 1	Use of "Let's Talk", a cloud-based communications solution. This amendment adds another year to the agreement.	\$137,200 \$274,400	J. Buno Funding Source Varies	No

**RESOLUTION No. 6953**

Revenue Contracts that Exceed \$150,000 for Delegation of Authority

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**RESOLUTION**

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**NEW REVENUE CONTRACTS**

No new Revenue Contracts

**NEW INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS (“IGAs”)**

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Contract Term</b>	<b>Contract Type</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>	<b>Responsible Admin, Funding Source</b>
State of Oregon	7/25/24 through 4/13/28	Intergovernmental Agreement/Revenue IGA/R 95432	Oregon Emergency Management passthrough reimbursements related to January 2024 storm damage.	\$1,037,000	M. Leigh

**AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING CONTRACTS**

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Contract Term</b>	<b>/Contract Type</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<b>Amendment Amount, Contract Amount</b>	<b>Responsible Admin, Funding Source</b>
State of Oregon	7/1/24 through 6/30/25	Intergovernmental Agreement / Revenue IGA/R 94453 Amendment 1	Measure 98/High School Success grant agreement. This amendment adds funds and extends the end date for the 24/25 school year.	\$23,776,320 \$36,040,351	J. Buno

**RESOLUTION No. 6954**

Expenditure Contracts that Exceed \$150,000 for Delegation of Authority

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**AMENDMENT TO EXISTING CONTRACTS**

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Amendment Term</b>	<b>Contract Type</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<b>Amendment Amount, Contract Amount</b>	<b>Responsible Administrator, Funding Source</b>	<b>Certified Business*</b>
Metropolitan Exposition	8/22/24-8/22/24	Space Rental HCS 95456 Amendment 1	Additional services (including internet and electrical services, installation) for space rental for Teacher Professional Development Day at the Oregon Convention Center.	\$30,644 \$165,686	J. Buno Fund 251 Dept 5436	No

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**RESOLUTION No. 6955**

Expenditure Contracts that Exceed \$150,000 for Delegation of Authority

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**RESOLUTION**

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**NEW CONTRACTS**

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Contract Term</b>	<b>Contract Type</b>	<b>Description of Services</b>	<b>Contract Amount</b>	<b>Responsible Admin, Funding Source</b>	<b>Certified Business</b>
Mackenzie	8/21/24 through 4/15/24	Personal Services PS 95461	Contractor will further study the Minimum Criteria (as directed by Board resolution 6861) required for the relocation of the PEC Operations Center functions. Informal Request for Proposals	\$240,671	D. Jung Fund 101 Dept 5594	No

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## **Resolution No. 6956**

### Resolution Supporting Student Mental Health and Learning

#### **RECITALS**

- A. Portland Public Schools is committed to supporting student mental health and wellbeing and creating environments where students feel safe, welcome, and excited to learn.
- B. The importance of peer and student-to-teacher communication and engagement are fundamental to learning, and the School District must create the conditions which allow for students to be engaged, focused, and challenged in order to reach their full potential.
- C. Research indicates that cell phone use during the school day can impact adolescent mental health and well-being in addition to being distracting to student learning and engagement.
- D. In 2023, the U.S. surgeon general issued an advisory on social media and youth mental health stating that “We must acknowledge the growing body of research about potential harms, increase our collective understanding of the risks associated with social media use, and urgently take action to create safe and healthy digital environments that minimize harm and safeguard children’s and adolescents’ mental health and well-being during critical stages of development”.
- E. Educators from around the country are calling on school districts to create clear policies which protect classrooms from the distractions that occur when students use cell phones and other similar devices at school.
- F. Individual schools in Portland Public Schools have restrictions on the use of cell phones and similar devices during the school day. Beginning in the 2024-25 school year, students at Grant High School, Cleveland High School and Beaumont Middle School will have school-wide enforcement tools to support the cell phone restrictions in their individual schools.

#### **RESOLVED**

- 1. The Portland Public Schools Board of Education is committed to supporting student mental health and learning and recognizes that creating a district-wide Board Policy on the use of cell phones and other similar devices is critical for students to achieve the academic outcomes we believe they are capable of and will have positive effects on student mental health.
- 2. The Portland Public Schools Board of Education’s Policy Committee is working on a draft cell phone and similar devices policy and will consider student feedback on a draft policy by October 15 following analyses of a student survey administered in September. Additionally, there will be further information gleaned from restrictions on cell phones implemented this Fall at Grant High School, Cleveland High School and Beaumont Middle School. The Board also will solicit feedback from parents and caregivers, staff, school and district administrators and labor unions.
- 3. The District will seek the necessary support and resources for schools to implement a District-wide Policy relating to restrictions on cell phones and similar devices during the school day.