

Public Notice of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Hardin-Jefferson ISD

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Hardin-Jefferson ISD will be held April 20, 2026, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Administration Building, 520 W. Herring Street, Sour Lake, TX 77659.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Invocation**
4. **Campus Spotlight**
5. **Public Forum**
6. **Public Hearing**
7. **Consent Agenda**
 - A. Minutes of Previous Meetings
 - B. Financial Report
 - C. General Fund Budget Amendment
 - D. Quarterly Investment Report
 - E. Overnight Field Trip Request
8. **Reports**
 - A. Superintendent's Report
 - B. Human Resources Report
Darrell Westfall
9. **Business and Discussion Items**
 - A. Consideration and Approval of an Order Authorizing and Providing for the Defeasance and Redemption of Certain Outstanding Obligations of Hardin-Jefferson Independent School District; Authorizing the Execution of an Escrow Agreement; and Containing Other Provisions Related Thereto
 - B. Budget Workshop #3
 - C. Consideration of General Fund Designated Fund Balance
 - D. Consideration of Purchase of Chromebooks for Student Device Refresh
Courtney Bagwell

E. Consideration of Resolution adopting the inter-local agreement between HJISD and Region 10 Retirement Asset Management Services (RAMS) cooperatives
Courtney Bagwell

F. Consider granting hiring authority to the Superintendent from April 21, 2026, through August 17, 2026.

10. Convene in Closed Executive Session for the Purposes Permitted by:

A. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.074, discussion of personnel matters including appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a district employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an employee.

B. Pursuant to Tex. Govt. Code section 551.074, consider and discuss the Superintendent's Voluntary Retirement Agreement and related matters.

Pursuant to Tex. Govt. Code sections 551.071 and 551.129, attorney consultation regarding legal issues related to the Superintendent's Voluntary Retirement Agreement and related matters.

11. Reconvene from Closed Executive Session for Action Relative to Items Considered During Closed Session

A. Personnel Recommendations

B. Personnel Resignations

C. Probationary Contracts

D. Consider and take possible action to approve the Superintendent's Voluntary Retirement Agreement and related matters.

12. Other Business-Discussion on any other Item not on agenda without taking action.

13. Adjournment

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

The School Board may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act, including, but not limited to the following sections and purposes:

Texas Government Code Section:

551-071 Private consultation with the board's attorney.

551-072 Discussing purchases, exchanges, leases, or value of real property.

551-073 Discussing negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations.

551-074 Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel

551-075 To confer with employees of the school district to receive information or to ask questions.

551-082 Considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against personnel.

551-083 Considering the standards, guidelines, terms or conditions, the board will follow, or will instruct its representative to follow, in consultation with representatives of employee groups.

551-084 Excluding witnesses from a hearing.

Should any final action, decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the school Board with regard to any a matter considered in such closed or executive meeting or session, then the final action, or final vote shall be either:

(a) in the open meeting covered by the Notice upon the reconvening of the public meeting; or

(b) at a subsequent public meeting of the School Board upon notice thereof; as the School Board shall determine

The notice for this meeting was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at 4:00 PM.

Brad McEachern, Superintendent

For the Board of Trustees