

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

September 24, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

- I. Call to order and roll call – 9:30 a.m.**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance, Salute to the Oklahoma State Flag, and Moment of Silence**
- III. Minutes from Regular Meeting on August 20, 2026.**
- IV. Superintendent’s Remarks**
 - Agency Update
- V. Departmental Updates**
 - A. Instructional Update: Deputy Superintendent of Instruction, Dr. Romel Muex-Pullen
 - B. Finance Update: Deputy Superintendent of Operations, Ms. Kristin Stephens
 - C. Legal Update: General Counsel Phelps
- VI. Contract Approval for Contracts Over \$150,000**
 - Discussion and possible action on contracts to be entered into by the Oklahoma State Department of Education, pursuant to the State Board of Education’s Contract Approval and Reporting Policy 2-01.
 - A. SHI International Corp.
 - B. State Auditor & Inspector
- VII. Alternative Education Cooperative Waiver**
 - Discussion and possible action on statutory waiver requests under 70 O.S. § 1210.568, allowing districts with fewer than ten Alternative Education students to operate their own programs rather than enter into a cooperative agreement.
 - A. Agra Public Schools- 1 Year
 - B. Arnett Public Schools- 1 Year
 - C. Big Pasture Public Schools- 1 Year
 - D. Calvin Public Schools- 1 Year
 - E. Caney Public Schools- 3 Years
 - F. Cherokee Public Schools- 3 Years
 - G. Deer Creek- Lamon Public Schools- 3 Years
 - H. Fort Towson Public Schools- 1 Year
 - I. Geronimo Public Schools- 1 Year
 - J. Hanna Public Schools- 1 Year
 - K. Hydro-Eakly Public Schools- 1 Year
 - L. Lexington Public Schools- 1 Year
 - M. Millwood Public Schools- 3 Years

- N. Nowata Public Schools- 1 Year
- O. Okarche Public Schools- 1 Year
- P. Okay Public Schools- 1 Year
- Q. Olive Public Schools- 1 Year
- R. Paoli Public Schools- 1 Year
- S. Sequoyah Public Schools- 1 Year
- T. Sharon-Mutual Public Schools- 1 Year
- U. Shattuck Public Schools- 3 Years
- V. Talihina Public Schools- 1 Year
- W. Tupelo Public Schools- 1 Year
- X. Vici Public Schools- 1 Year
- Y. Wellston Public Schools- 1 Year

VIII. Alternative Education Program Waiver K-8 Districts

Discussion and possible action on requests from elementary school districts for a waiver from the requirement to implement and provide an alternative education program pursuant to 70 O.S. § 1210.568(F); districts may request a waiver with an assurance that they have no students in need of alternative education services, and districts granted a waiver are not eligible to receive statewide alternative education funding for that school year.

- A. Avant Public School- 3 Years
- B. Bowring Public School- 3 Years
- C. Brushy Public School- 1 Year
- D. Grandview Public School- 3 Year
- E. Jennings Public School- 1 Year
- F. Maple Public School- 1 Year
- G. Monroe Public School- 1 Year
- H. Oakdale Public School- 1 Year
- I. Peckham Public School- 1 Year
- J. Robin Hill Public School- 3 Years
- K. Zaneis Public School- 3 Years

IX. Library Media Services Deregulation

Discussion and possible action on Library Media Services Deregulation requests under 70 O.S. § 3-126, including district requests for reduced library hours or supervision by a library aide, with services to be provided through alternative means.

- A. Aline-Cleo Public Schools- 3 Years
- B. Anadarko Public Schools- 1 Year
- C. Asher Public Schools- 1 Year
- D. Berryhill Public Schools- 3 year
- E. Bishop Public Schools- 1 Year
- F. Butner Public Schools- 1 Year
- G. Caddo Public Schools- 1 Year
- H. Calvin Public Schools- 1 Year
- I. Cameron Public Schools- 3 Years
- J. Canadian Public Schools- 1 Year
- K. Carnegie Public Schools- 1 Year
- L. Cleveland Public Schools- 1 Year
- M. Crutcho Public Schools- 3 Years

N. Deer Creek Public Schools- 1 Year
 O. Dickson Public Schools- 1 Year
 P. Eagletown Public Schools- 3 Years
 Q. Empire Public Schools- 1 Year
 R. Fletcher Public Schools- 1 Year
 S. Forest Grove Schools- 1 Year
 T. Grandfield Public Schools- 1 Year
 U. Grandview Public Schools- 1 Year
 V. Harrah Public Schools- 1 Year
 W. Haywood Public Schools- 1 Year
 X. Healdton Public Schools- 3 Years
 Y. Heavener Public Schools- 1 Year
 Z. Hildale Public Schools- 1 Year
 AA. Hobart Public Schools- 1 Year
 BB. Jennings Public Schools- 1 Year
 CC. Kansas Public Schools- 1 Year
 DD. Kiefer Public Schools- 1 Year
 EE. Maysville Public Schools- 3 Years
 FF. Meeker Public Schools- 1 Year
 GG. Moseley Public Schools- 1 Year
 HH. Ninnekah Public Schools- 1 Year
 II. Noble Public Schools- 3 Years
 JJ. Norwood Public Schools- 1 Year
 KK. Oaks Mission Public Schools- 1 Year
 LL. Oilton Public Schools- 1 Year
 MM. Okay Public Schools- 1 Year
 NN. Oktaha Public Schools- 1 Year
 OO. Osage Public Schools- 1 Year
 PP. Peggs Public Schools- 1 Year
 QQ. Perry Public Schools- 1 Year
 RR. Poteau Public Schools- 1 Year
 SS. Robin Hill Public Schools- 3 Years
 TT. Rush Springs Public Schools- 3 Years
 UU. South Coffeyville Public Schools- 1 Year
 VV. Talihina Public Schools- 1 Year
 WW. Texhoma Public Schools- 3 Years
 XX. Tishomingo Public Schools- 1 Year
 YY. Tupelo Public Schools- 1 Year
 ZZ. Union Public Schools- 3 Years
 AAA. Vian Public Schools- 1 Year
 BBB. Warner Public Schools- 1 Year
 CCC. Weleetka Public Schools- 1 Year
 DDD. Yarbrough School District- 3 Years

X. Library Media Specialist Waiver

Discussion and possible action on a request for exemption from Library Media Teacher Certification requirements pursuant to 70 O.S. § 3-126, allowing a certified teacher to serve as the librarian while pursuing Library Media certification.

- A. Bethel Public Schools– 3 Years
- B. Guthrie Public Schools- 1 Year
- C. Hulbert Public Schools- 1 Year
- D. Indianola Public Schools- 1 Year
- E. Lone Star Public Schools- 1 Year
- F. Pocola Public Schools- 2 Years
- G. Thackerville Public Schools- 1 Year
- H. Union Public Schools- 3 Years
- I. Woodward Public Schools- 3 Years
- J. Zion Public Schools- 1 Year

XI. Flexibility of Allocated Textbook Funds Waiver

Discussion and possible action on statutory waiver requests under 70 O.S. § 16-114a for flexibility in the use of state-appropriated textbook funds, permitting districts that demonstrate current and appropriate instructional materials to use these funds, including carryover, for purposes supporting and maintaining the district.

- A. Calvin Public Schools
- B. Canadian Public Schools
- C. Forgan Public Schools
- D. McCord Public Schools

XII. Federal Late Claims

Discussion and possible action on approval of a late joint federal program claim pursuant to OAC 210:25-3-7(12).

- A. School Improvement
 - 1. Gracemont Public Schools
 - 2. Kellyville Public Schools
- B. Special Education
 - 1. Bristow Public Schools
 - 2. El Reno Public Schools
 - 3. Inola Public Schools

XIII. Requests for Emergency (Provisional) Teacher Certification

Discussion and possible action on emergency (provisional) certification requests under 70 O.S. § 6-187(G). Names are included in handouts.

XIV. Discussion and possible action to convene into Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. §§ 307(b)(4), (7), and (8).

For the record, no motions, votes, or action will occur during executive session.

A. Appeals of Denied Transfers

Discussion and possible action on the following, consideration of transfer request denials pursuant to 70 O.S. § 8-102.2(E) and OAC 210:10-18-1 for Jenks Public Schools.

B. Request to Suspend Certificate

Discussion and possible action on request to suspend teaching certificate for the remainder of the contract year pursuant to 70 O.S. § 6-101(D) for Newcastle Public Schools.

C. Board Counsel Contract

Discussion and possible action on the renewal of the board counsel contract with Leonard, Long, and Cassil.

D. Applications to Suspend Teaching Certificates and Certificate Numbers and Set Matters for an Administrative Hearing

Discussion and possible action on applications for emergency orders pursuant to OAC 210:1-5-6(d)(1) summarily suspending the teaching certificates and certificate numbers and setting the matters before a hearing officer of:

1. Melaine Friend
2. Alissa Lloyd
3. Michael Russell

E. Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law

Recommendation from the Administrative Law Judge Discussion and possible action on the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law issued by the Administrative Law Judge pursuant to OAC 210:1-5-6(g)(2) in the matter of:

1. Cody Barlow
2. Rocky Flint
3. Rhonda Haltom
4. Christopher Mercer
5. Treva Thompson

F. Impact Athletics

Discussion and possible action to adopt exceptions to hearing officer's proposed final agency order

XV. Vote to Return to Open Session

For the record, no motions were made, no votes were taken, and no action occurred during executive session.

XVI. Discussion and possible action on matters discussed during Executive Session

XVII. New Business

XVIII. Adjournment

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