



AGENDA
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Davy Crockett Tower, 1st Floor Conference Room 1A
500 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243
May 19, 2026
9:00 a.m. CT
Livestreaming Meeting Link:

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Welcome & Introductions

I. Public Comments

II. Consent Items

- 9:35 a.m.
Mr. Bob Eby
- A. *Adoption of Agenda*
- Mr. Bob Eby
- B. *Minutes from February 27, 2026 Meeting*
- Mr. Bob Eby
- C. *2027 State Board of Education (SBE) Quarterly Meeting Dates*
State Board of Education 2027 Quarterly Meeting Dates.
- Mr. Bob Eby
- D. *SBE Staff Positions Approval*
Item to formally approve all staff positions as determined by the Executive Director.

III. Report Items

- 9:45 a.m.
Various Board
Members, and
Others
- A. *State Board of Education Member and Commissioner of Education Reports*
Members will share information about participation in regional stakeholder engagement activities and committee meetings that have occurred since the last meeting of the Board.
- Ms. Maryanne Durski
- B. *Annual Statistical Report*
Report item of the Department's annual statistical report that includes an array of information and statistics about education in Tennessee.
- Ms. Deborah Thompson
- C. *2025 Blue Ribbon Schools Recognition*
Report item of Tennessee public schools recognized as 2025 Blue Ribbon Schools.

Ms. Deborah Thompson D. *2025 National ESEA Distinguished Schools Recognition*
Report item of Tennessee public schools recognized National ESEA Distinguished Schools.

IV. Consent Items: Teacher Licensure Actions

10:10 a.m. A. *Licensure Discipline Settlement Approvals*
Mr. Bob Eby An item to approve settlements on licensure actions as recommended by State
(Roll Call Vote) Board attorneys.

Mr. Bob Eby B. *Automatic Teacher Licensure Actions: Revocation, Permanent Revocation, &*
(Roll Call Vote) *Prohibition*
Item to approve automatic licensure revocation actions as recommended by State Board attorneys.

Mr. Bob Eby C. *Teacher Licensure Discipline Actions*
(Roll Call Vote)

1. Monica Alsup – Formal Reprimand
2. Chloe Baugh – Suspension, 2 Years with Proof of Treatment or Clearance from a Licensed Substance Abuse Provider
3. Stephanie Beaumont – Suspension, 6 Months
4. Cynthia Evans – Suspension, 3 Months Retroactive with Professional Development
5. Rebecca Gilliam – Denial
6. Martell Gray – Denial
7. John Hart - Denial
8. David Lawrence – Denial
9. Fulgence Letema – Voluntary Surrender
10. Jeffrey Quiros – Voluntary Surrender, Permanent
11. Paul Rouse – Suspension, 3 Months
12. Keely Spain – Formal Reprimand
13. Samantha Stephens – Suspension, 2 Years Concurrent with Criminal Probation
14. Jason Sweeton – Suspension, 3 Months with Professional Development
15. Lisa Williams – Formal Reprimand
16. Amalia Wills – Formal Reprimand
17. Elizabeth Younger, Denial with Stipulations

V. Tennessee Investment in Student Achievement (TISA) Rule 0520-12-05 Revisions

10:20 a.m. A. *TDOE Tennessee Investment in Student Achievement (TISA) Rules 0520-12-05-*
Ms. Maryanne Durski *.02, -.04, -.12 and -.13*
Ms. Caryn Burkholder Following discussion with the Department of Education, the Board will vote on a positive, neutral, or negative recommendation on proposed revisions to the TISA rule.

VI. Action Items (First Reading)

Note: Redlines reflect changes proposed on first reading ONLY.

- 10:25 a.m.
Ms. Taylor Reid
- A. *Professional Assessments for Tennessee Educators Policy 5.105*
First reading of item that proposes revisions to establish alternate passing options aligned with vendor-developed opportunities. These options provide additional, rigorous pathways for candidates to demonstrate content knowledge when minimum qualifying scores are not met, where available and applicable.
- Ms. Amy Floyd
- B. *Educator Evaluation Policy 5.201*
First reading of item that proposes changes to Appendix A and Appendix B. The following are changes to Appendix A: Adds Springs Public Schools Tennessee Teacher Evaluation Rubric for Springs Public Schools charter 2026-27 school year.

The following are changes to Appendix B Section V. Approved Achievement Measures: Revises the approved Industry Certifications by Career Cluster to align with any of the approved Valued or Preferred Industry Certifications, as determined by the Postsecondary, Workforce, CTE, and Military Readiness Division. Revising the approved industry certifications ensures alignment with any future Valued or Preferred Industry Certifications.
- Dr. Christy Wall
- C. *Special Courses Policy 3.201*
First reading of item that proposes revisions that clarify that special courses are elective courses, update the maximum approval period from six to eight years, and make reoccurring special courses into permanent courses.
- Ms. Shaundraya Hersey
- D. *Civil Rights Compliance Rule 0520-01-21*
First reading of item that proposes minor revisions necessitated by the passage of Chapter 471 of the Public Acts of 2025 ([T.C.A. § 4-3-1704](#)) which requires state entities to submit annual Title VI compliance reports and implementation plans to the TN Department of Human Resources instead of the TN Human Rights Commission.
- Mr. Michael Deurlein
- E. *Graduation Requirements Rule 0520-01-03-.06*
First reading of item to strengthen and clarify the process by which a student can waive the fine arts and/or world language credit requirement(s), make relevant changes related to elective courses, and improve clarity and readability.
- Ms. Ali Reid
- F. *Accountability Hearings Rules 0520-09-02*
First reading of item that proposes revisions to the rules following the State Board's first year of implementation.
- Ms. Ali Reid
- G. *Accountability Hearings Policy 1.600*
First reading of item that proposes revisions to the policy following the State Board's first year of implementation.
- Mr. Nathan James
- H. *Board Meetings Policy 1.400*

First reading of item that proposes revisions that clarify procedures related to board operations.

VII: Action Items (Final Reading)

Note: Redlines reflect changes proposed between first and final reading ONLY. For changes proposed and approved on first reading, please refer to the relevant agenda item from a previous meeting.

11:05 a.m.

Ms. Lori Paisley

(Roll Call Vote)

A. *School and Student Health Services Rules 0520-01-13*

Final reading of item to revise the School and Student Health Services Rules to align with Chapter 346 of the Public Acts of 2025 (PC 346) which encourages each school in an LEA and public charter school to keep a bronchodilator rescue inhaler in the school so that a bronchodilator rescue inhaler may be administered to a student believed to be having asthma symptoms or in respiratory distress in an emergency situation. Minor revisions have been made to ensure alignment with PC 346 since first reading.

Ms. Ginger Leach

B. *District and School Improvement Planning Policy 2.101*

Final reading of item to revise the District and School Improvement Planning Policy to align with Chapter 1005 of the Public Acts of 2024. There have been no changes to this item since first reading.

Ms. Taylor Reid

C. *Educator Licensure Policy 5.502*

Final reading of item to revise the endorsements section by adding equivalent Postsecondary Educator endorsements to align with the Middle and Secondary Grades – Core Academic and Middle and Secondary Grades – World Languages endorsements. There have been no changes to this item since first reading.

Mr. Michael Deurlein

D. *Uniform Grading Policy 3.301*

Final reading of item to update the percentage points awarded in calculating semester grade averages for dual enrollment courses to align with changes previously made to the Uniform Grading System Rule 0520-01-03-.02. There have been no changes to this item since first reading.

Ms. Breanna Sommers

E. *Approved High School Courses Policy 3.205*

Final reading of item to update course names and offerings based on school, local education agency (LEA), and Tennessee Department of Education (TDOE) questions and feedback. Other edits to support public transparency and clarity across related policies. There have been minor changes to this item since first reading.

Ms. Breanna Sommers

F. *2029-30 Tennessee English Language Arts (ELA) Standards*

Final reading of proposed K-12 ELA standards, following two rounds of public feedback, two rounds of expert educator committee revisions, and final recommendations from a gubernatorially and legislatively appointed committee of education and workforce professionals. There have been minor changes to this document since first reading.

Dr. David Laird

G. *Annual Measurable Objectives (AMOs)*

- Dr. Hasiang-Yeh Ho First and final reading of item to present the 2025-2026 Annual Measurable Objectives.
- Dr. Jennifer Nelson H. *Educator Preparation Providers (EPPs) and Specialty Area Programs (SAPs) Approvals*
First and final reading of item to provide action recommendations for EPPs and SAPs for existing EPPs. This item includes recommendations for Carson Newman University, University of Tennessee at Martin, and Bethel College.
- Dr. Christy Wall I. *Special Course Approval Recommendations*
First and final reading of items to present all special course applications received by the Department of Education for the 2026-27 school year, along with their approval status and, if applicable, the number of years for which the special course was approved.
- Ms. Breanna Sommers J. *Textbook and Instructional Materials Waiver Request: Morgan County Schools ELA Grades K-5*
First and final reading of an LEA request for a Textbook and Instructional Materials Waiver.
- Ms. Ali Reid K. *Local School Board Member Training Policy 2.100*
First and final reading of item to add training courses to the list of offerings for local school board members to meet their annual training requirements.
- Ms. Ali Reid L. *Charter School Governing Body Training Policy 6.112*
First and final reading of item to add training courses to the list of offering for charter school governing body members to meet their annual training requirements.
- Ms. Ali Reid M. *2025-26 Accountability Hearings Recommendation for Corrective Action*
First and final reading of item recommending corrective action for the LEAs and public charter schools called for an Accountability Hearing.
- Mr. Alex Anderson
Mr. Ryan Shanahan N. *2026 Category IV Church-Related Non-Public School Applications*
First and final reading of item to recommend approval or conditional approval of Category IV Non-Public Schools.

VIII. Other Business

IX. Adjournment

MEETING DATES FOR 2026:

**August 28, 2026
November 20, 2026**

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Public comment will be accepted in accordance with state law and State Board Rule.