



**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Greg Piotraschke, President  
Blaine Nickeson, Vice President  
Tom Green, Director  
Kevin Kerber, Director  
Mandy Thomas, Director  
Mary Vigil, Director  
Lloyd Worth, Director

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
27J SCHOOLS  
September 22, 2020  
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting  
Electronic Meeting**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MISSION STATEMENT**

The Board of Education is committed to the School District’s overall success and improvement. The central focus of all meetings and discussions will be on establishing, monitoring, and supporting the District’s goals. We will actively engage all segments of our community in this ongoing focus and provide an instructional program to assure that our students meet or exceed the highest and most rigorous standards.

**AGENDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER** President Piotraschke

All matters noticed on this agenda, in any category, may be considered for action as listed. Any item not so noticed may not be considered. Items listed on this agenda may be considered in any order, at the discretion of the chairperson.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** President Piotraschke

**ROLL CALL FOR ATTENDANCE (Policy Reference: 2.C)** President Piotraschke

**3. COMMITMENT TO GOVERNING STYLE** President Piotraschke

The Board will govern lawfully, observing Policy Governance principles, with an emphasis on (a) outward vision rather than internal preoccupation, (b) encouragement of diversity in viewpoints, (c) strategic leadership more than administrative detail, (d) clear distinction of Board and chief executive roles, (e) collective rather than individual decisions, (f) future rather than past or present, and (g) governing proactively rather than reactively.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** President Piotraschke

Recommended motion: “Move to approve the agenda dated September 22, 2020 as presented.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.C)** President Piotraschke

**5. STUDENT ADVISORY GROUP MONTHLY REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler

Various members of the advisory group will present information regarding school activities. This report will include a special gift presentation to the members of this group that are graduating. The Board of Education and the 27J Schools staff would like to thank them for the commitment and dedication to this group.

**6. PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD**

President Piotraschke

Tom Green, community affairs representative from United Power (and 27J School Board of Education member), will explain that a check in the amount of \$9,800 was presented to the District for the LED Fixture reimbursements for Padilla Elementary School.

**7. DIRECTOR DISTRICT REAPPORTIONMENT INFORMATION**

President Piotraschke

Shannon Bingham from Western Demographics, Inc. will present information concerning the Director District Reapportionment. This is informational only, and no Board of Education action is required at this time. (Separate Enclosure)

**8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler

Dr. Fiedler will report on activities throughout the District.

**9. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Piotraschke

The Board is conducting this meeting virtually, and will now hear public comment on the following topics that were submitted by 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting via a submission document. A reminder that this Board meeting is a business meeting held in public not a public meeting. The Board hears public comment to learn about the preferences and concerns of our community. So, at this meeting, we will listen. We are prohibited by state law to take any action on the items because law requires formal public notice prior to any action on an agenda item. During our next meeting, if appropriate, we will consider comments in our discussion, and we will ask that the Superintendent attempt to find an answer for any of your questions by that time.

The Board welcomes the comments of our community members, but to ensure that each comment will have an opportunity to be heard, we have a few ground rules:

- Anyone submitting topics should include their name and address.
- The statements will be read in the order in which they were submitted. The submitter's comments are limited to a three-minute reading.
- If more than one person submitted comments on the same topic, new information will be provided when reading the next statement. Please avoid repeating views already expressed by other, if possible. Multiple names and addresses may be attached to the same submission.
- We ask you to refrain from making complaints or negative comments against individual students or District employees; however, we cannot prevent you from

doing so. Such complaints and comments should be addressed first at the classroom or school level, and then if still unresolved, to the superintendent.

We thank you in advance for your participation tonight and submitting public-comment topics.

**10. CONSENT AGENDA (Policy References: 2.C)**

President Piotraschke

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are operational matters about which the Board has governing policies, implementation of which is delegated to the Superintendent. They will be enacted in one motion by category in the order listed below. There will be no discussion of these items prior to the time the Board of Directors vote on the motion, unless members of the board, staff or public, request specific items to be discussed separately and/or removed from this section.

Any member of the public who wishes to discuss Consent Agenda items should notify the President of the Board at the time requested and be recognized by invitation of the President to address the Board.

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated August 25, 2020 Regular Board Meeting (Enclosures)
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated September 15, 2020 (Confidential Enclosure)
- c. Approval of Resolution Number One 2020-2021, requesting the conveyance of property owned by the City of Commerce City as described in the informational item.

Recommended motion: “Move to approve the consent agenda items as presented.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.C)**

President Piotraschke

**11. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS**

President Piotraschke

- a. Ownership Linkage
- b. Board Education
- c. Board Committees
  - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee
  - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation
  - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk
  - iv. Reaching Out/In
  - v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee
  - vi. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee
- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board

**12. EXPECTATIONS OF THE BOARD (Policy Reference 4.E)**

Dr. Fiedler

- a. Board acts to accept/reject the following reports due/submitted since last meeting. (ADDENDUM “A”) None at this time.

- b. Charter School Liaison Kenlyn Newman will present the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.J Charter Schools. (Separate Enclosure)

Recommended motion: “Move to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.J Charter Schools as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1)** President Piotraschke

- c. Chief Academic Officer Will Pierce will present the Expectation of the Board Report through Academic Global Goals -1.2 Composite SAT Scores and 1.3 Academic Status of 27J Schools. (Report and 2019-2020 Dashboard are separate enclosures)

Recommended motion: “Move to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through Academic Global Goals – 1.2 Composite SAT Scores and 1.3 Academic Status of 27J Schools as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1)** President Piotraschke

- d. Policy Review Schedule

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|------------------------|---|
| i. September 22, 2020  | 1.2 Composite SAT Scores/1.3 Academic Status of School Ratings<br>3.J Charter Schools                         |
| ii. October 27, 2020   | 3.D Financial Condition & Activities Internal   |
| iii. November 10, 2020 | 3.H Emergency Executive Succession  |
| iv. December 8, 2020   | 3.D External Financial Condition & Activities<br>3.I Board Awareness and Support Internal & Direct Inspection |
| v. January 26, 2021    | 3.C Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers<br>3.D Internal Financial Condition and Activities                  |
| vi. February 23, 2021  | 1.1 Graduation Rate<br>3.B Treatment of Parents/Guardians   |
| vii. March 9, 2021     | 3.G Compensation & Benefits<br>1.4 Primary Literacy   |
| viii. April 27, 2021   | 3.E Asset Protection  |
| ix. May 25, 2021       | 3.A Treatment of Students/Public  |
| x. June 8, 2021        | 3.F Financial Planning/Budgeting  |
| xi. August 24, 2021    | 3.0 General Executive Constraint  |

**13. RESOLUTION FOR VOTER REGISTRATION OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

President Piotraschke

The Board of Education will consider approving Resolution Number Two 2020-2021 approving the voter registration of 27J Schools High School Students. (Enclosure)

The Proclamation will be read at this time.

Recommended motion: “Move to approve Resolution Number Two 2020-2021 as presented.”

**ROLL CALL FOR VOTE (Policy Reference: 2.G.1)**

President Piotraschke

**14. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

September 29, 2020	6:00 p.m. 5 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Councils 27J Schools will host the electronic meeting.
October 13, 2020	6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting Group is to be determined
October 27, 2020	5:30 p.m. Study Session 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room or Electronic Meeting 1850 Egbert Street Brighton, CO 80601

**15. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

Director Green will present the quarterly meeting evaluation.

**16. CLOSING COMMENTS**

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

Date of Notice: September 17, 2020



**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
27J SCHOOLS  
August 25, 2020  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Electronic Meeting**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Green, Director Kerber, Director Nickeson, Director Piotraschke, Director Thomas, Director Vigil, and Director Worth were present for this entire meeting.

**3. COMMITMENT TO GOVERNING STYLE**

Director Piotraschke read the following statement: The Board will govern lawfully, observing Policy Governance principles, with an emphasis on (a) outward vision rather than internal preoccupation, (b) encouragement of diversity in viewpoints, (c) strategic leadership more than administrative detail, (d) clear distinction of Board and chief executive roles, (e) collective rather than individual decisions, (f) future rather than past or present, and (g) governing proactively rather than reactively.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Vigil to approve the agenda dated August 25, 2020 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all eyes

**5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Fiedler reported on activities throughout the District.

Note: Director Nickeson suggested that Item Number 9, STEAD Charter School Amended and Restated Contract be moved to Item Number 6. Director Piotraschke asked if there was any opposition to the change of the agenda. None was noted. All items were renumbered accordingly.

**6. STEAD CHARTER SCHOOL AMENDED AND RESTATED CONTRACT**

The Board of Education considered approval of an amended and restated contract for the STEAD Charter School. The original contract was approved on March 10, 2020. Kelly Leid, and Amy Schwartz addressed the Board. Kevin Denton, founding principal of the school, introduced himself.

Motion by Director Green, seconded by Director Kerber to approve the amended and restated contract for the STEAD Charter School Contract dated March 10, 2020 with the edit in sections 9.1B Purchase of District Services (page 41) and 9.2 Direct Costs

(page 42) to include the fiscal years 2023 - 2024. This fiscal year was omitted as an oversight. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

## **7. MATTERS OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

Name	Address	Topic
Kevin Denton	33710 Mt. Harvard Circle Buena Vista, CO 81211	Introduction/STEAD School Principal

Note: Mr. Denton introduced himself to the Board during Item Number 6.

## **8. CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Worth to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

- a. Approval of the Board of Education minutes dated June 23, 2020 Regular Board Meeting and July 28, 2020 Linkage Meeting and Executive Session
- b. Approval of personnel items on memorandum dated August 19, 2020

## **9. GOVERNANCE PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS OUR GLOBAL GOALS**

- a. Ownership Linkage: Director Kerber and Director Vigil approved the next linkage meeting on September 8, 2020 with the Student Advisory Group. This will be an electronic meeting.
- b. Board Education: Director Thomas suggested reviewing and discussing Board goals. This discussion could occur during two meetings. One meeting to review and discuss and another meeting to suggest new goals. Director Thomas and Director Kerber will provide information to the Board prior to the discussion.
- c. Board Committees
  - i. Facility Planning Advisory Committee: Director Nickeson reported that the committee is reviewing enrollment numbers for the fall. The residential construction and sales have not slowed. This growth is important for planning capacity needs. This year will be different due to on-line enrollment. The group will continue to monitor those numbers. Chief Operations Officer Terry Lucero addressed the city council members from the City of Brighton regarding the cash-in-lieu process. The District will be negotiating with the City of Brighton. City staff is working on draft language for an agreement. This may come before the council members within the month for vote. Commerce City's discussion is on hold until the city manager position is secured.
  - ii. Capital Facility Fee Foundation: Director Worth reported that no meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting. Construction continues to be strong, and funds are still being collected. The investment interest rates remain low, so the foundation members are seeking advisement from J.P Morgan Chase.
  - iii. Rocky Mountain Risk: Director Piotraschke reported that the group will meet again on September 8, 2020. This will be a "welcome back" meeting, and the start of the auditing process. There were no issues identified in the pre-audit. The group is looking at underwriting profits from last year as well as a memorandum of understanding for CARES funds.
  - iv. Reaching Out/In: Director Kerber suggested identifying opportunities to recognize groups through a virtual option. Director Vigil suggested a possible



Lunch and Learn online format. Dr. Fiedler suggested the theme, “Making the Impossible, Possible.” Director Piotraschke suggested only recognizing groups twice per year.

- v. Commerce City and School District 27J Use Tax Committee: No meeting has occurred since the last Board of Education meeting.
- vi. 2015 Bond Oversight Committee: Director Worth reported that construction projects are being completed. The construction staff have moved into Padilla Elementary to monitor any warranty issues. Project budgets are being finalized, with a possible \$14 million in excess that the committee is considering best uses. Construction staff has been reduced. The next meeting will occur October 2020.
- d. Other Matters of Information for the Board: Director Piotraschke stated that the deadline for resolutions to Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) closes on September 10, 2020. Board members can contact him to review the resolutions. Director Worth and Director Vigil sent their notes of appreciation to principals and other staff members.

## 10. EXPECTATIONS OF THE BOARD

- a. Board acts to accept/reject the following reports due/submitted since last meeting. (ADDENDUM “A”) None at this time.
- b. Superintendent Dr. Chris Fiedler presented the Expectation of the Board Report through 3.0 Global Executive Constraint.

Motion by Director Worth, seconded by Director Kerber to accept the Expectations of the Board Report through 3.0 Global Executive Constraint as conveying reasonable interpretation of the executive limitations. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

- c. Policy Review Schedule

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## **11. PROCLAMATION OF SEPTEMBER AS ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH**

The Board of Education considered approving Proclamation Number One 2020- 2021 declaring September as Attendance Awareness Month. This is the sixth year that the Board of Education has approved this resolution promoting good attendance and recognizing how it is essential to student achievement and graduation.

The Proclamation will be read by Director Nickeson. Director Nickeson and Director Thomas noted accolades to the intervention services staff for making personal contacts to families that have not enrolled.

Motion by Director Nickeson, seconded by Director Thomas to approve Proclamation Number One 2020-2021 as presented. Roll Call Vote: all ayes

## **12. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

September 8, 2020	6:00 p.m. Linkage Meeting Desserts delivered to homes.
September 22, 2020	5:30 p.m. Study Session – Board Goals 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting Lois Lesser Board and Conference Room or Electronic Meeting 1850 Egbert Street Brighton, CO 80601
September 29, 2020	6:00 p.m. 5 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday Joint Meeting with City Councils Host and Location are to be determined –

## **13. BOARD MEETING EVALUATION**

The next quarterly meeting evaluation will occur at the September 22, 2020 meeting.

**14. CLOSING COMMENTS:** Director Piotraschke stated that the district is off to a good start of the year!

**15. ADJOURNMENT:** 8:58 p.m.

## Board of Education Agenda Item

**Board Meeting of:** September 22, 2020

**Subject:** Approval of Resolution Requesting Conveyance of Property

**Status of Item:** Action

**Time Needed:** Consent Agenda

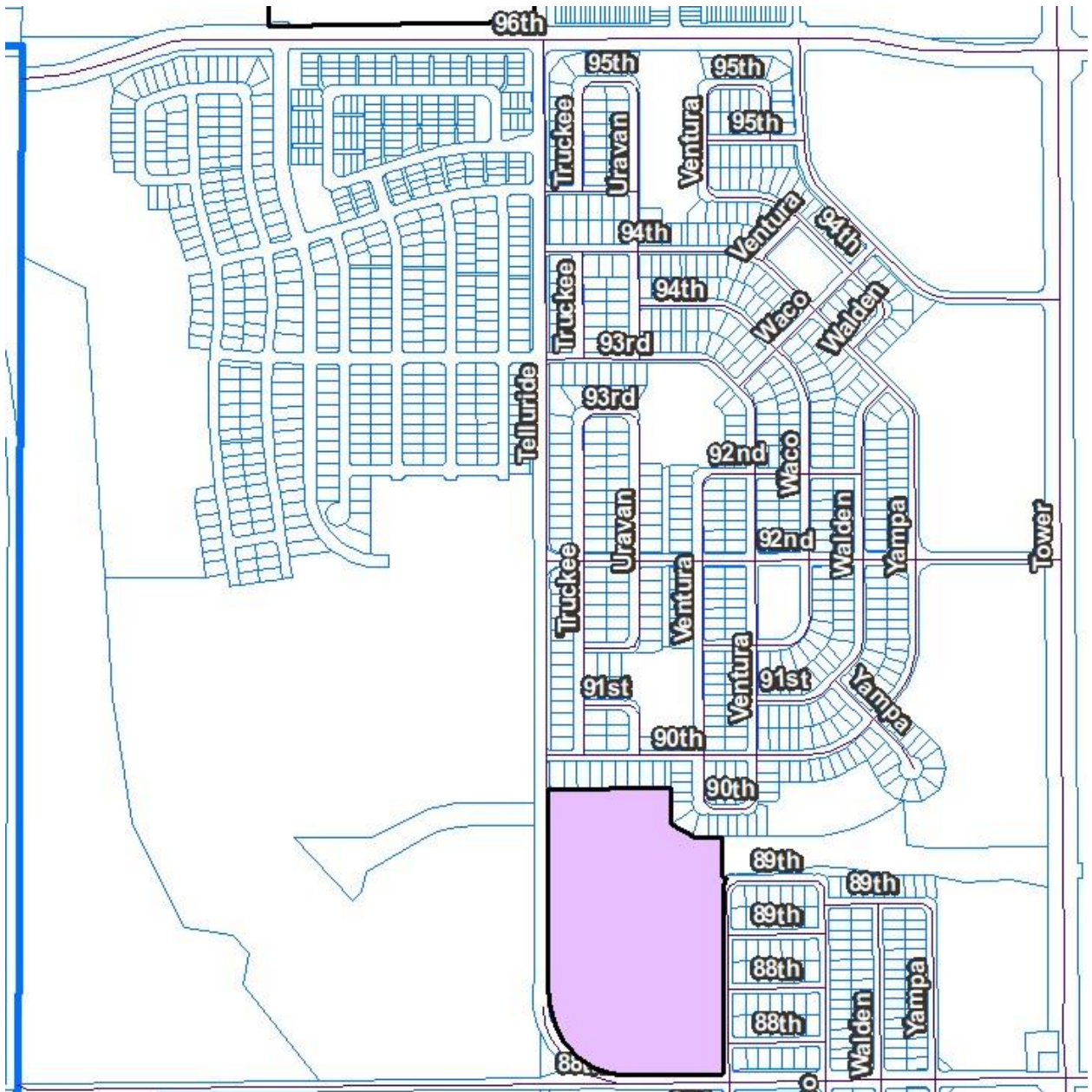
### PERTINENT FACTS:

- District staff is recommending the Board of Education request conveyance of a previously dedicated school site from the City of Commerce City.
- The site is located in the northeast corner of 88th Ave and Telluride Street and is described as the southern 10 acres of Lot 1 Block 7, Second Creek Farm Subdivision Filing #1 Amendment #1, in Commerce City. (An exhibit identifying the location is attached.)
- The site is currently owned by the City of Commerce City and was dedicated by the developer of the property.
- The Property is designated as a future school site by 27J Schools and the City of Commerce City's comprehensive plan.
- The Commerce City Charter requires school districts to adopt a resolution establishing the need for the school to the satisfaction of the city prior to the conveyance of the property to the district.
- Pending negotiations, District staff may be recommending this site be used as the location of the Capstone Academy Charter School.
- Staff is requesting the approval of the attached resolution for this purpose.

### Board Policy or C.R.S. regarding this item:

C.R.S. 22-32-110 (1)(a) – Board of Education – Specific Duties – To take and hold in the name of the District real property...

**Originator:** Terry Lucero



**27J SCHOOLS**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION NUMBER ONE, 2020-2021**  
**REQUESTING CONVEYANCE OF CITY PROPERTY TO 27J SCHOOLS**

**WHEREAS**, 27J Schools is desirous of having a school constructed on the real estate described as the southern 10 acres of Lot 1 Block 7, Second Creek Farm Subdivision Filing #1 Amendment #1, (the “Property”) to alleviate future overcrowding in District schools located in Commerce City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Commerce City owns the Property; and

**WHEREAS**, 27J Schools is requesting the transfer of the Property, originally dedicated by GAP 88 LLLP, for the construction of a new school; and

**WHEREAS**, the Property is designated as a future school site by 27J Schools and the City of Commerce City’s comprehensive plan; and

**WHEREAS**, conveyance of the Property as herein authorized is, and will be, in the best interests of the students and citizens of 27J Schools; and

**WHEREAS**, approval of the conveyance of the Property must be given by a resolution of the City Council in accordance with Section 4.14 of the City Charter of the City of Commerce City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the 27J Schools Board of Education that it is requesting the conveyance of the Property to 27J Schools.

**RESOLVED AND PASSED THIS 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020.**

**BRIGHTON, COLORADO**

27J SCHOOLS

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Greg Piotraschke, President  
Board of Education

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Lynn Ann Sheats, Secretary  
Board of Education



**GOVERNING POLICY OF  
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Policy 4.E – MONITORING SUPERINTENDENT PERFORMANCE**

*(Accepted 8-24-10)*

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*Management Limitations 3.J*  
Charter Schools

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Chris Fiedler, Superintendent of Schools

Re: Expectations of the Board Report – 3.J Charter Schools

I hereby present my Expectations of the Board Report on our Charter Schools, Management Limitations 3.J, in accordance with the monitoring schedule as set forth in Board policy. I certify the information in this report is true. (Separate Enclosure)

Signed: 

Date: September 22, 2020

Dr. Chris Fiedler  
Superintendent, 27J Schools



**GOVERNING POLICY OF  
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Policy 4.E – MONITORING SUPERINTENDENT PERFORMANCE**

*(Accepted 8-24-10)*

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*Academic Global Goals*  
1.2 Composite SAT Scores and  
1.3 Academic Status of 27J Schools

To: Board of Education

From: Dr. Chris Fiedler, Superintendent of Schools

Re: Expectations of the Board Report – 1.2 Composite SAT Scores and 1.3 Academic Status of 27J Schools

I hereby present my Expectations of the Board Report on our 1.2 Composite SAT Scores and 1.3 Academic Status of 27J Schools, in accordance with the monitoring schedule as set forth in Board policy. I certify the information in this report is true. (Separate Enclosure)

Signed: 

Date: September 22, 2020

Dr. Chris Fiedler  
Superintendent, 27J Schools

**27J SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION NUMBER TWO 2020-2021  
VOTER REGISTRATION OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

**WHEREAS**, 27J Schools is committed to civic education and civic participation by the students and families in our district;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education recognizes that the election in November of 2020 provides a great opportunity to educate and motivate students regarding civic participation;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education recognizes the opportunity to further civic education by encouraging our students who are eligible to register to vote;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of 27J Schools recognizes that the Colorado Revised Statute 1-2-401 Legislative Declaration states that voter registration should be made as convenient as possible for our qualified high school students, employees, and other persons;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education recognized that a number of non-partisan, civic participation organizations, including the Iam27J group, Brighton High School, Prairie View High School, Riverdale Ridge High School, the Brighton Education Association (BEA), and the Colorado Classified School Employees Association (CCSEA) are prepared to provide voter registration efforts in 2020;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education recognizes that these civic-minded organizations will abide by all laws, regulations and superintendent policies regarding visitation and appropriate conduct on school grounds, and online;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education abides by the Colorado Revised Statute Section 1-2-402 that all high schools may have appointed deputy registrars on file with the county clerk and recorder;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The District will provide access to our high schools with the approval of the school leader, to engage in voter registration of our qualified students, parents, employees and other persons during school building hours and online.



2. The District and school leaders will provide reasonable assistance to these civic groups to provide voter registration, such registration including assistance by the high school deputy registrars.

**RESOLVED AND PASSED THIS 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020.**

**BRIGHTON, COLORADO**

27J SCHOOLS

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Greg Piotraschke, President  
Board of Education

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lynn Ann Sheats, Secretary  
Board of Education

	<b>METHOD</b>	<b>FREQUENCY</b>	<b>SCHEDULE</b>
3.D - Financial Condition & Activities	Internal	Semi - Annually	January & October
	External	Annually	December
3.C - Treatment of Faculty/Staff/Volunteers	Internal	Annually	January
1.1 - Graduation Rate	Internal	Annually	February
3.B - Treatment of Parents/Guardians	Internal	Annually	February
3.G - Compensation & Benefits	Internal	Annually	March
1.4 – Primary Literacy	Internal	Annually	March
3.E - Asset Protection	Internal	Annually	April
3.A - Treatment of Students/Public	Internal	Annually	May
3.F - Financial Planning/Budgeting	Internal	Annually	May
3.0 - Global Executive Constraint	Internal	Annually	August
1.2 - Composite SAT Scores	Internal	Annually	September
1.3 - Academic Status of 27J Schools	Internal	Annually	September
3.J - Charter Schools	Internal	Annually	September
3.H - Emergency Executive Succession	Internal	Annually	November
3.I - Board Awareness & Support	Internal	Annually	December
	Direct Inspection	Annually	December