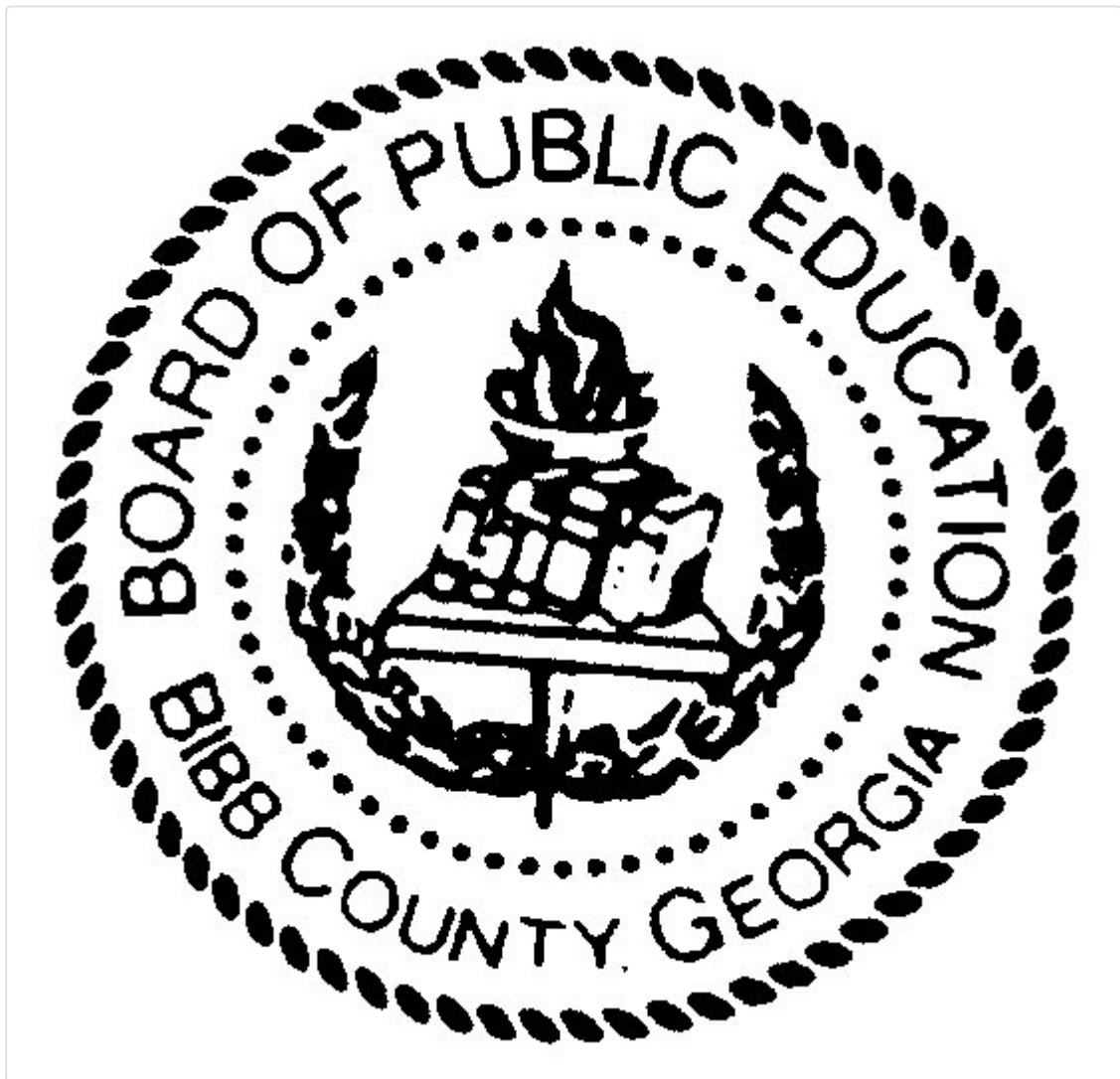


# The Board Brief

November 19, 2020



This edition of The Board Brief is a summary of the information presented and actions taken at the Board of Education's Board Meeting on November 19, 2020.

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## Actions

[Board Approves 2021 Committee-Board Meeting Schedule](#)

On Thursday, November 19, Board members approved Committee and Board meetings dates for the Bibb County Board of Education for February 2021 through January 2022. The Board of Education approved the meeting date for January 2021 at the January 16, 2020 Board meeting. Committee Meetings will begin at 4:00 p.m., followed by the Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m. All meetings will be held at the Bibb County School District Central Office located at 484 Mulberry Street in Macon, GA or the Professional Learning Center located at 2007 Riverside Drive in Macon, GA unless otherwise announced. For more information, [click here](#).

| <b><u>Meeting</u></b>   | <b><u>Date</u></b>           |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Committee/Board Meeting | Thursday, February 18, 2021  |
| Committee/Board Meeting | Thursday, March 18, 2021     |
| Committee/Board Meeting | Thursday, April 15, 2021     |
| Committee/Board Meeting | Thursday, May 20, 2021       |
| Committee/Board Meeting | Thursday, June 17, 2021      |
| Committee/Board Meeting | Thursday, July 15, 2021      |
| Committee/Board Meeting | Thursday, August 19, 2021    |
| Committee/Board Meeting | Thursday, September 16, 2021 |
| Committee/Board Meeting | Thursday, October 21, 2021   |
| Committee/Board Meeting | Thursday, November 18, 2021  |
| Committee/Board Meeting | Thursday, December 16, 2021  |
| Committee/Board Meeting | Thursday, January 20, 2022   |

### **Board Approves Special Education Support Contracts**

On Thursday, November 19, Board members authorized the District to continue utilizing contract company services to provide special education support to students in Bibb County as needed. Job openings for Speech-Language Pathologists and other special education staff are posted to the District's Human Resources site, but the District has been unable to fill these vacancies with fulltime employees. These contracts will be paid through the funds already allocated for special education staff. For more information, [click here](#).

### **Board Reviews Policies**

Board members reviewed various policies for first or second reading on November 19. Policies must be read twice before they may be voted on for final action. To review the policies, [click here](#).

- PR-1 Revision of Policy DJEAA – Board Approval (ACTION – Second Reading)
- PR-2 Revision of Policy DJED – Bids and Quotations (ACTION – Second Reading)
- PR-3 Revision of Policy EDDA – Special Use of School Buses (ACTION – Second Reading)
- PR-4 Revision of Policy FGB – Site Acquisition of Procedures (ACTION – Second Reading)
- PR-5 Revision of Policy JGFGB – Concussion Management (ACTION – Second Reading)
- PR-6 Revision of Policy FD – Facilities Long-Range Planning (INFORMATION – First Reading)

- PR-7 Revision of Policy GBRE – Professional Personnel Extra Duty (INFORMATION – First Reading)
- PR-8 Revision of Policy GBRJ – Arrangement for Substitutes (INFORMATION – First Reading)
- PR-9 Revision of Policy GBRK – Professional Personnel Vacation (INFORMATION – First Reading)

Stakeholders are encouraged to review policies posted after first reading and make public comment via Simbli before the proposed policies are brought back before the Board for action the following month. Simbli may be accessed through the District's website, [www.bcsdk12.net](http://www.bcsdk12.net), under "About Us" and "Simbli." On [Simbli](#), "Pending Policies" will appear on the right side of the screen.

### **Personnel Items Approved**

On Thursday, November 19, Board members approved various personnel items. To view all personnel items, [click here](#).

## Information

### **District Provides Update on Return to Face-to-Face Instruction**

On Thursday, November 19, Board members received a presentation reviewing the District's return to face-to-face instruction. The District began a phased-in approach to in-person learning on November 9. The information included a summary of the District's operational performance as well as an update on student progress. For more information, [click here](#).

### Update on Return to School Process



### **Board Reviews Bipolar Ionization Project**

On Thursday, November 19, Board members reviewed a proposed bipolar ionization project from the Capital Programs Department. Bipolar ionization is a process that kills harmful pathogens in the airstream, making them easier to filter through the heating and air systems. Independent testing by CDC-affiliated labs confirms kill rates as high as 99.9 percent for various pathogens and mold spores, including SARS-CoV-2. This process provides a cleaner

occupied space and reduces costs of maintenance to the units. For more information, [click here](#).

#### **United Way Presents Information on Community School Program**

On Thursday, November 19, Board members reviewed a presentation from the United Way of Central Georgia on the Community School partnership with L.H. Williams Elementary as the pilot program. As a United Way supported site, L.H. Williams is home to a set of partnerships between the school and other community resources focusing on academics, health and social services, youth and community development and community engagement. Additional goals of Community Schools are getting students reading on grade level; being successful on the Georgia Milestones; partnering with students, parents and community; increasing the number of students in school every day; and establishing a culture of accountability for everyone. To view the presentation, [click here](#).

#### **Board Receives Update on Northeast, Appling Projects**

On Thursday, November 19, Board members received a presentation from Sheridan Construction, Stafford Builders and Consultants, WM2A Architects and SP Design Group on the completion of Northeast High School and Appling Middle School. They also provided an update on the Athletic Fieldhouse project under way on the now joint campus. These projects were made possible by funds from the 2016 Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST), a one percent sales tax approved by voters in 2015. For more information, [click here](#).

#### **Board Reviews Monthly Financial Report**

On Thursday, November 19, Board members reviewed the District's monthly financial report. For more information, [click here](#).

#### **Board Receives Presentation from Capital Improvement Program**

On Thursday, November 19, Board members received a presentation in regards to the 2011 and 2016 Capital Improvement Program, including information on expenditures and encumbrances. For more information, [click here](#).

#### **Board Reviews Investments, Investment Income and Bonds Report**

On Thursday, November 19, Board members reviewed a presentation about the Investments and Investment Income report as well as the monthly Bond report associated with 2020 project accounts. For more information, [click here](#).