

AGENDA

**Wallkill Central School District
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Wallkill Senior High School Auditorium
Wednesday, August 20, 2025
6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
2. Executive Session
3. Public Comment
4. Amend/Approve Minutes – [6/18/25 Regular Board Meeting]
5. Approve Minutes – [7/1/25 Reorganization/Regular Board Meeting]
6. Approve Minutes – [7/21/25 Special Board Meeting]
7. Board Committee Reports/Assignments 2025-2026
8. Superintendent's Report
 - A. Rescind Appointment of Personnel
 - B. Approve Appointment of Personnel
 - C. Accept Resignations/Retirement – Non-Instructional
 - D. Approve Appointments – Non-Instructional
 - E. Approve Appointments – Instructional
 - F. Approve Substitute Leave Replacement
 - G. Approve Appointment – 2025-2026 High School Grades 9-12 After-School Homework Assistance Lab
 - H. Approve Appointment – 2025-2026 Grades K-6 After-School Academic Intervention Program
 - I. Approve Appointments – Mentors/Peer Coaches
 - J. Approve Appointments – Coaching
 - K. Approve Second Reading – Policy
 - L. Approve Proposed 2026 Varsity & Junior Varsity Baseball Athletic Trip
 - M. Approve Resolutions – Acting Principal
 - N. Approve Substitute Lists
 - O. Approve Pre-School Special Education Placements
 - P. Approve Special Education Placements
 - Q. Designate Legislative Voting Delegate – NYSSBA Annual Convention
9. Business Report
 - A. Approve Use of Facilities
 - B. Accept Treasurer's Report
 - C. Approve Conference Attendance
 - D. Approve Resolution – Special Education Service Contracts
 - E. Approve Resolution – RIC ONE Risk Operations Center
 - F. Set 2025-2026 Tax Rate
 - G. Approve Change Order – Capital Improvement Project
10. Executive Session [If Needed]
11. Close Meeting

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The following are the Superintendent's recommendations:

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
2. Executive Session
3. Public Comment
4. Amend/Approve Minutes – [6/18/25 Regular Board Meeting]

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and amend and approve the minutes of June 18, 2025, (Agenda #7.U.) Regular Board Meeting so as to read:

Current Minutes: Mr. Palen moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointments of the following individuals to the Co-Curricular positions for the 2025-2026 school year.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

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| Stephen Cabarcas | <i>Leptondale Television Studio Advisor</i> | \$ 847 [shared] |
| Anita Hoyt | <i>Leptondale Television Studio Advisor</i> | \$ 847 [shared] |
| Stephen Cabarcas | <i>Ostrander Television Studio Advisor</i> | \$ 797 [shared] |
| Karen Bayer | <i>Ostrander Television Studio Advisor</i> | \$ 797 [shared] |
| Stephen Cabarcas | <i>Plattekill Television Studio Advisor</i> | \$ 867 [shared] |
| Lori Williams | <i>Plattekill Television Studio Advisor</i> | \$ 867 [shared] |

Amended Minutes: Mr. Palen moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointments of the following individuals to the Co-Curricular positions for the 2025-2026 school year.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

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| Stephen Cabarcas | <i>Leptondale Television Studio Advisor</i> | \$ \$1,774 |
| Karen Bayer | <i>Ostrander Television Studio Advisor</i> | \$ \$1,454 |
| Lori Williams | <i>Plattekill Television Studio Advisor</i> | \$ \$1,734 |

5. Approve Minutes – [7/1/25 Reorganization/Regular Board Meeting]
The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the minutes of the July 1, 2025, Reorganization/Regular Board of Education Meeting.
6. Approve Minutes – [7/21/25 Special Board Meeting]
The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the minutes of the July 21, 2025, Special Board of Education Meeting.
7. Board Committee Reports/Assignments 2025-2026

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| Audit: | Mrs. Crowley, Chair; Mr. Frisbie |
| Budget: | Mrs. Crowley, Chair; Committee of the Whole |
| Buildings & Grounds: | Mr. Frisbie, Chair; Mr. Bartolone, Mr. Nafey, Mr. Palen |
| CDEP: | Mrs. Anderson, Chair; Committee of the Whole |
| Curriculum/TAG: | Mrs. Anderson, Chair; Mr. Bartolone, Mr. Hecht |
| Health & Safety: | Mr. Nafey, Chair; Mr. Bartolone, Mr. Frisbie, Mrs. McCartney, Mr. Palen |

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| Legislative: | Mr. Hecht, Chair; Committee of the Whole |
| Policy: | Mr. Palen, Chair; Mr. Nafey |
| Technology: | Mr. Bartolone, Chair; Mr. Olson |
| Wellness: | Mr. Olson, Chair; Mrs. McCartney |
| Student Rep: | TBD |

8.A. Rescind Appointment of Personnel

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and rescind the appointment (7/1/2025 Board of Education Meeting) of **Anita Hoyt** as a Dignity Act Coordinator for the 2025-2026 school year.

8.B. Approve Appointment of Personnel

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Stephen Cabarcas** as a Dignity Act Coordinator for the 2025-2026 school year.

8.C. Accept Resignations/Retirement – Non-Instructional

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Kelly Acampora** from the position of Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Supervisory Teacher Aide, effective close of business on September 1, 2025, pending her appointment to the position of Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Walter DeGroat** from the position of Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Night Custodial Worker, effective close of business on August 15, 2025.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation for retirement purposes of **Maria Lang** from the position of Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide, effective August 31, 2025.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Veronica Padilla** from the position of Part-Time [0.97 FTE] Supervisory Teacher Aide, effective close of business on September 1, 2025, pending her appointment to a Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Kristina VanHouten** from the position of Part-Time [0.97 FTE] Supervisory Teacher Aide, effective close of business on September 1, 2025, pending her appointment to the position of Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Remedial Lab Teacher Aide.

8.D. Approve Appointments – Non-Instructional

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the 90-Day Probationary appointment of **Kelly Acampora** to a Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide position, effective September 2, 2025, at a salary of \$30,501.12, plus \$1,000 longevity payment [Step 20 of the CSEA Contract, \$24.44 per hour, (6.5 hours per day)].

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the 26-Week Probationary appointment of **Sean Byrne** to a Part-Time [0.97 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide position, effective September 3, 2025, at a salary of \$17.22 per hour (Step 3 of the CSEA Contract, 5.8 hours per day).

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Briana Gabino** to a Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher Aide position, assigned to the Clare F. Ostrander Elementary School, for the 2025-2026 school year, at a salary of \$15.72 per hour, with a minimum of 150 days, effective September 3, 2025.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the 26-Week Probationary appointment of **Joy Garrison** to a Part-Time [0.97 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide position, effective September 3, 2025, at a salary of \$17.22 per hour (Step 3 of the CSEA Contract, 5.8 hours per day).

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the 26-Week Probationary appointment of **Carlie Hughes** to a Part-Time [0.97 FTE] Supervisory Teacher Aide [Greeter] position, effective September 3, 2025, at a salary of \$15.72 per hour (Step 3 of the CSEA Contract, 5.8 hours per day).

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the 90-Day Probationary appointment of **Veronica Padilla** to a Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide position, effective September 2, 2025, at a salary of \$21,777.60 [Step 5 of the CSEA Contract, \$17.45 per hour, (6.5 hours per day)].

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the Provisional appointment of **Carmen Quiñones** to a Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Typist (Spanish Speaking) position, effective August 21, 2025, at a salary of \$32,709 pro-rated (Grade 10, Step 3 of the CSEA Contract).

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Genny Reyes** to a Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher Aide position, assigned to the Leptondale Elementary School, for the 2025-2026 school year, at a salary of \$15.72 per hour, with a minimum of 150 days, effective September 3, 2025.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Samantha Smith** to a Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher Aide position, assigned to the Special Education Department, for the 2025-2026 school year, at a salary of \$15.72 per hour, with a minimum of 150 days, effective September 3, 2025.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Jenny Suarez** to a Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher Aide position, assigned to the Plattekill Elementary School, for the 2025-2026 school year, at a salary of \$15.72 per hour, with a minimum of 150 days, effective September 3, 2025.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the 90-Day Probationary appointment of **Kristina VanHouten** to a Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Remedial Lab Teacher Aide position, effective September 2, 2025, at a salary of \$19,843.20 [Step 4 of the CSEA Contract, \$15.90 per hour, (6.5 hours per day)].

8.E. Approve Appointments – Instructional

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Sabrina Barbato**, certified in Literacy (Birth-Grade 6), Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2), and Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), to a four-year probationary period in the tenure area of Reading, commencing September 1, 2025 and ending August 31, 2029. Effective September 1, 2025, Ms. Barbato's salary will be \$59,142 (1 NMA + 6 credits).

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent that **Vicely Devos'** request to return to her previously held tenure area in Elementary Education effective September 1, 2025, is hereby approved and the voluntary transfer agreement with her is also approved.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Kelly Gleeson** to a Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher position, assigned to the Senior High School for the 2025-2026 school year, with a minimum of 150 days, at a rate of \$155 per day, effective September 3, 2025.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve **Payton Jones** to be appointed provisionally to the position of Athletic Trainer, effective August 21, 2025. Effective August 21, 2025, Ms. Jones' salary will be \$75,968 (1MA + 21 credits).

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Gabrielle Messick** to a Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher position, assigned to the Senior High School for the 2025-2026 school year, with a minimum of 150 days, at a rate of \$155 per day, effective September 3, 2025.

8.F. Approve Substitute Leave Replacement

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Veida Ortiz**, certified in English to Speakers of Other Languages, Early Childhood Education (Birth to Grade 2) and Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) to a Substitute Leave ESOL Teacher position, assigned to the Leptondale Elementary School for the 2025-2026 school year, at a salary of \$57,737 pro-rated (1NBA + 29 credits), effective September 2, 2025 through January 23, 2026, replacing Ruby Sabillon Estrada who is on a Child Rearing Leave.

8.G. Approve Appointment – 2025-2026 High School Grades 9-12 After-School Homework Assistance Lab

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the Instructional appointment of the following individual for the 2025-2026 High School Grades 9-12 After-School Homework Assistance Lab:

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| Alison Andolino | Science | \$66.87 per session |
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8.H. Approve Appointment – 2025-2026 Grades K-6 After-School Academic Intervention Program

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the Instructional appointment of the following individual for the 2025-2026 Grades K-6 After School Academic Intervention Program:

Leptondale Elementary School

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| Kathy Winter | | \$56.49 per hour |
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8.I. Approve Appointments – Mentors/Peer Coaches

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of the following individuals as mentors/peer coaches for the 2025-2026 school year:

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| Christine Benken | Mentor | \$1,500 |
| Stephanie Cartica | Mentor | \$1,500 |
| Ellen Landivar | Mentor | \$1,500 |
| Jennifer Warren | Mentor | \$1,500 |
| Megan Behrens | Peer Coach | \$ 650 |
| Nicholas Malgieri | Peer Coach | \$ 650 |

8.J. Approve Appointments – Coaching

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following appointments for the Fall 2025-2026 school year season:

HIGH SCHOOL:

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| Jonathan Avila | Assistant Varsity Football Coach | \$4,274 |
| Hunter Andrews | Unified Bocce Ball Coach | \$1,131 |
| Bradyn Wood | Assistant Varsity Girls Soccer Coach | Unpaid |
| Riley Wood* | Assistant Varsity Girls Soccer Coach | Unpaid |
| Kelly Dutka | Assistant Varsity Cheerleading Coach | Unpaid |
| Karen Psilopoulos | Assistant Varsity Swim Coach | Unpaid |

MIDDLE SCHOOL:

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| Wala Canario | Modified Assistant Football Coach | \$2,261 |
| Miah Frisbie | Modified Girls Soccer Coach | \$2,261 |

**Pending Issuance of License*

8.K. Approve Second Reading – Policy

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the second reading of the following policy:

1. Policy #5685 – Maximum Temperature for School Buildings and Indoor Facilities

8.L. Approve Proposed 2026 Varsity & Junior Varsity Baseball Athletic Trip

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the proposed Varsity & Junior Varsity Baseball Athletic Trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, from March 28, 2026 through April 4, 2026.

8.M. Approve Resolutions – Acting Principal

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following resolutions:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes **Michael Redmond** to act as the Senior High School Principal when no Principal is present in the building.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes **Scott Brown** to act as the Plattekill Elementary School Principal when no Principal is present in the building.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes **Anita Hoyt** to act as the Leptondale Elementary School Principal when no Principal is present in the building.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes **Alyssa Greany** to act as the John G. Borden Middle School Principal when no Principal is present in the building.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes **Nicole Parete** to act as the Clare F. Ostrander Elementary Principal when no Principal is present in the building.

8.N. Approve Substitutes Lists

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the lists for individuals for teaching and non-teaching substitute positions.

8.O. Approve Pre-School Special Education Placements

The Board approve the placement of Pre-School Special Education students as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

8.P. Approve Special Education Placements

The Board approve the placement of Special Education students as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

8.Q. Designate Legislative Voting Delegate – NYSSBA Annual Meeting

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and designate a **Donna Crowley** as the Voting Delegate for the Annual Business Meeting of the New York State School Boards Association to be held October 23, 2025 through October 25, 2025, in New York, New York.

9.A. Approve Use of Facilities

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Senior High School Varsity Baseball Field or the JV Baseball Field [as a backup to the Little League Field due to weather related field conditions or scheduling conflicts] by **Wallkill Panthers**, [for travel baseball games] as listed below:

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| Wednesday | August 6, 2025 | 4:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. |
| Saturdays & Sundays | August 23, 2025 – November 1, 2025 | 9:00 a.m. to Dusk* |

**Dates and times will be arranged through the Athletic Office*

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Plattekill Elementary School, Leptondale Elementary School and Clare F. Ostrander Elementary School Cafeterias [for a Before and After School Program] and the All-purpose Rooms [for an After-School Program] by **YMCA of Middletown** as indicated below:

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| Mondays – Fridays | September 3, 2025 – June 25, 2026 | 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. |
| Mondays – Fridays | September 3, 2025 – June 25, 2026 | 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. |

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the John G. Borden Middle School Gymnasium, by the **Wallkill “Over 35” Men’s Basketball**, [for open Men’s Basketball] as indicated below:

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| Mondays | September 8, 2025 – June 1, 2026 | 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. |
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The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Plattekill Elementary School Gymnasium by **Girls on the Run** [for a Youth Development Program] as indicated below:

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| Tuesdays & Thursdays | September 16, 2025 – November 13, 2025 | 3:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. |
| Wednesdays | September 24, 2025 – November 12, 2025 | 3:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. |

**Excluding September 23, 2025, October 2, 2025 & November 11, 2025*

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the John G. Borden Middle School Gym [for Youth Lacrosse Clinics] by **Wallkill Youth Lacrosse** as indicated below:

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| Tuesdays | November 18, 2025 – March 10, 2026* | 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. |
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**Excluding November 25, 2025, December 30, 2025, & February 17, 2026*

9.B. Accept Treasurer’s Report

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education has reviewed and accepts the Treasurer's Reports as of June 30, 2025 and July 31, 2025 and Revenues as of June 30, 2025, and July 31, 2025.

9.C. Approve Conference Attendance

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the attendance of **Donna Crowley and up to two (2) additional board members [tuition only]**, at the New York State School Boards Association Annual Convention and Educational Expo from October 23, 2025 through October 25, 2025, in New York, New York.

9.D. Approve Resolution – Special Education Service Contracts

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves contracts for the provision of special education services to District students with the following schools stated below. The Board authorizes the Board President to sign the approved contracts.

Abilities First
Center for Spectrum Services
Green Chimney’s
New York School For the Deaf
The Arc Mid-Hudson (Brookside)
The Center for Discovery
The Westchester School
UCP Upstate Caring Partners

9.E. Approve Resolution – RIC ONE Risk Operations Center

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, four (4) BOCES (Onondaga-Cortland-Madison BOCES, Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga BOCES, Madison-Oneida BOCES and Broome-Tioga BOCES) have collaborated and entered into an Article 5 General Municipal Law intermunicipal arrangement for the purpose of improving vendor management and data security and privacy practices for school districts and/or BOCES statewide known as the RIC ONE Risk Operations Center (the “ROC”);

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Wallkill Central School District through its affiliation with a locally based Regional Information Center, participates with the ROC and desires, for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, to authorize the ROC to enter into Data Privacy Agreements and related exhibits (DPAs) with vendors and third-party contractors that include the requirements of, and compliance with, New York State Education Law Section 2-d and Part 121 Regulations (collectively, “Ed Law 2d”) related to student personally identifiable information (PII) and certain Teacher and Principal APPR data;

WHEREAS, the ROC also partners with NYSED, the Access4Learning Student Data Privacy Consortium (SDPC) and The Education Cooperative (TEC), to negotiate and approve Ed Law 2-d compliant DPAs;

WHEREAS, the DPAs are presented to school districts and/or BOCES for final execution and do not require the expenditure of funds beyond those budgeted; and

BE IT RESOLVED, Board of Education of the Wallkill Central School District authorizes the attorneys designated by the ROC to negotiate and approve of DPAs for software and/or technology resources; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Wallkill Central School District Board of Education grants the ROC and its designated attorneys the authority to negotiate the terms and conditions of DPAs and take such actions so as to effectuate the purposes and intent of this resolution.

9.F. Set 2025-2026 Tax Rate

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and set the tax rate for the 2025-2026 school year at **\$15.64** per thousand of true value based on the approved budget of **\$93,271,595**.

9.G. Approve Change Order – Capital Improvement Project

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following Change Order:

Unimak, LLC.:

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\$20,472.60

10. Executive Session [If Needed]

11. Close Meeting