Duplin County Board of Education
Regular Business Meeting Agenda
October 7, 2025 at 6 p.m.
O.P. Johnson Education Building

1. **Prayer**

2. **Call to Order**

3. **Public Comment**

4. **Approval of Agenda**

5. **2024-25 Accountability Results Presentation**

6. **Beginning/Residency Teachers Presentation**

7. **Consent Agenda**

Administrative/Academics

a. Approval of an independent contract for Frankie Sharnell Dixon.
b. Approval of revision(s) to the 2025-26 Duplin County Schools Student Athlete & Parent Athletic Handbook.
c. Approval of Agreement between Duplin County Schools and Tharrington Smith, LLP for the provision of legal services.
d. Approval of the following policy updates: 1310/4002 Parental Involvement; 3210 Parental Inspection of and Objection to Instructional Materials; 3320 School Trips; 3510 Religious-Based Exemptions from School Programs; 3620 Extracurricular Activities and Student Organizations; 4120 Domicile or Residence Requirements; 4318 Use of Wireless Communication Devices; 5024/6127/7266 Emergency Epinephrine Delivery Systems; 5070/5350 Public Records – Retention, Release, and Disposition; 6125 Administering Medicine to Students; 6340 Transportation Service/Vehicle Contracts; 7100 Recruitment and Selection of Personnel; 7820 Personnel Files..
e. Consideration to rescind Policy 7421 Superintendent Qualifications and Duties.
f. Approval of the 2025-26 Beginning Budget Resolution.
g. Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between Duplin County Schools and Smile North Carolina.
h. Approval to adopt the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction Data Confidentiality & Security Agreement for Online Service Providers and Public School Units for use in Duplin County Schools.

i. Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between The Duplin County Board of Education and Young Scientist Academy.
j. Approval of the contract with the NC Art Council for acceptance of the Grassroots Art Grant in the amount of $46,646.00.
k. Approval of the contract with Duplin Eye Associates.
l. Approval of the contract with Kelly Moynahan for professional development.
m. Approval of the purchase of Waterford Early Learning Single Student License Smart Start, Early Reading, Early Math & Science, WACS, Mentor and Resource Library for the 2025-26 school year for $63,360.00.
n. Approval of fundraising requests for North Duplin Jr/Sr High School, James Kenan High School, and Wallace-Rose Hill High School.
o. Approval of the following field trips:
    i. North Duplin Jr/Sr High School, Atlanta, GA, Overnight/Out of State STEAM Field Trip, March 26-27, 2026.
    ii. North Duplin Jr/Sr High School, Calabash, NC, High Risk Water Activity, November 10, 2025.
    iii. East Duplin High School, Greensboro, NC, Overnight HOSA Leadership Conference, March 24-28, 2026.
p. Approval of the 2026 Career and College Fair Duplin Events Center Facility Usage Agreement and Contract.
q. Approval of fundraising requests for Beulaville Elementary, Kenansville Elementary, Rose Hill Magnolia Elementary, and Wallace Elementary.
r. Approval of the following field trips:
    i. B.F. Grady Elementary – Busch Gardens, Williamsburg, VA – April 2, 2026.
    ii. Chinquapin Elementary – National Beta Regional Leadership Summit – Concord, NC – October 12-14, 2025.
    iii. Chinquapin Elementary – iFly – Wilmington, NC – November 4, 2025.
    iv. Chinquapin Elementary and Warsaw Elementary – NC Beta Convention – Greensboro, NC – February 1-3, 2026.
    v. North Duplin Elementary – Carolina Ocean Studies – Kure Beach, NC – November 13, 2025.
s. Approval and the signing of the Distribution Request Application from the Public School Buildings Repair and Renovation Fund North Carolina Educational Lottery in the amount of $5,800.00 for roof repairs at James Kenan High School.
t. Approval and signing of the Distribution Request Application from the Public School Buildings Repair and Renovation Fund North Carolina Educational Lottery in the amount of $9,600.00 for roof replacement/repairs at Kenansville Elementary School.
u. Approval to accept a donation of $10,278.84 from House of Raeford FLOCK to support the KES Tiger Coop Ag Project.
v. Approval to accept a donation of $18,500.00 from Hollingsworth Farms to power mow/cut back overgrown bushes around the perimeter of the school grounds at CES.
w. Approval of the regularly scheduled Board meeting minutes from September 2, 2025.

8. <u>Executive Session</u>

General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(6) Personnel; 143-318.11(a)(1) Prevent Disclosure of Confidential Student Information; 143-318.11(a)(3) Attorney-Client Privilege.

9. Personnel

10. Superintendent's Report

11. Board Information

a. Revised Administrative Regulation/Exhibit: 3320-E1 Duplin County Trip Request Form; 6125-R Administering Medicine to Students.
b. Rescind Exhibit 3320-E2 Duplin County Trip Request Form (CTE ONLY).
c. Duplin County Schools will begin participating in the neffyinSchools Program in the 2025-26 school year in alignment with revised Board policy 5024/6127/7266 Emergency Epinephrine Delivery Systems.
d. Duplin County Schools 2024-25 School Health Data.
e. Approved Doctoral Research Project: "Blended Learning's Role in Addressing Achievement Gaps: A Hermeneutic Phenomenological Study of Secondary English Teachers' Experiences in Mid-Atlantic United States Public Schools," Kevin Sorgi, Liberty University.
f. Donation of $1,000.00 to Wallace Rose Hill High School from Summit Industrial Contractors, LLC, Steven C. Autry for WRH FFA chapter donation.

12. Adjourn