

Regular Meeting of the Trousdale County Board of Education

Thursday, January 15, 2026

Trousdale County Board of Education

103 Lock Six Road

Hartsville, TN 37074

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM.

Robert Atwood: Present

Deanna Bode: Present

John Kerr: Present

Racheal Petty: Absent

Chris Woodard: Present

1. AGENDA:

1.A. Call to Order John Kerr, Chairman

1.B. Invocation Robert Atwood, Board Member

1.C. Pledge of Allegiance Chris Woodard, Board Member

1.D. Time for Public Comment

1.E. Invitation for audience to address items on the Agenda

1.F. Approval of the Agenda for January 15, 2026

Approval of the January 15, 2026, Agenda passed with a motion by Robert Atwood and a second by Chris Woodard.

Chris Woodard: Yea

Deanna Bode: Yea

John Kerr: Yea

Racheal Petty: Absent

Robert Atwood: Yea

2. CONSENT AGENDA:

2.A. Approval of Consent Agenda for January 15, 2026

Approval of the January 15, 2026, Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Chris Woodard and a second by Deanna Bode.

Chris Woodard: Yea

Deanna Bode: Yea

John Kerr: Yea

Racheal Petty: Absent

Robert Atwood: Yea

- 2.B. Approval of Minutes from December 18, 2025
- 2.C. Approval of TCHS Cheer Team Fundraiser Attachment A
- 2.D. Approval of TCHS Color Guard Fund Raiser Attachment B
- 2.E. Approval of FFA Field Trip - Regional Star Interviews Attachment C
- 2.F. Approval of FFA Field Trip - Individual Speaking Attachment D
- 2.G. Approval of FFA Field Trip - District Ag Mechanics Attachment E
- 2.H. Approval of TCHS Senior Trip Attachment F
- 2.I. Approval of TCHS Baseball School Trip Attachment G
- 2.J. Approval of JSMS Cheerleader Fund Raiser Attachment H
- 2.K. Approval of JSMS Apparel Fund Raiser Attachment I
- 2.L. Approval of 5th Grade Field Trip Attachment J
- 2.M. Approval of Budget Amendment 141-46510 TN Investment in Student Achievement

Amend the 2025-26 141 General Purpose School Budget by debiting Revenue. Amendments are to include:			
DEBIT Revenue	46210	TN Investment in Student Achievement	202,801.00
GRAND TOTALS			\$202,801.00
Amend the 2025-26 141 General Purpose School Budget by crediting line item Expenditures. Amendments are to include:			
CREDIT EXPENDITURES	72620	Maintenance of Plant	
	335	Maintenance & Repair Services - buildings	100,000.00
	72710	Transportation	35,000.00
	338	Maintenance & Repair Services - Vehicles	
	76100	Regular Capital Outlay	67,801.00
	707	Building Improvements	
GRAND TOTALS			\$202,801.00

3. SCHOOL DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS:

4. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS:

4.A. Trousdale County Elementary School N/A

4.B. Jim Satterfield Middle School N/A

4.C. Trousdale County High School N/A

4.D. Student School Board Representative

Zoey Vaughan, student representative, addressed the Board. The semester has started off good. Report cards went home Tuesday, January 13th. FFA had their 1st responder dinner on Monday, January 12th. Everything went well. The high school has had three new student enrollments so far this semester. Noah Peace will sign with Lindsey Wilson on January 21, 2026. Senior Superlatives will be announced in February. FFA will host a pancake breakfast on Saturday, January 17th. Basketball homecoming is February 6th. PreACT will be given to sophomores on February 12th. TCHS beauty contest will be held on March 6th. Juniors will be taking the ACT on March 17th. Jr/Sr prom will be held on April 10th.

5. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

5.A. Employment Notifications

Judy Hauskins was hired as TCES cook to replace Sabra Lamb who resigned in December, 2025.

5.B. Academic and Goal Updates

Mrs. Cothron addressed the Board:

- Good start to a new semester. Teachers returned on Monday, January 5, 2026. They had a professional development day to review Q2 benchmark data and to prepare for students who returned Tuesday, January 6, 2026.
- As of today, we have 1,347 students, which is 29 less students that were enrolled at this time last year. We have completed 97 out of 98 days of school. (Missed November 10, 2025, due to no heat at the middle school) -----10 snow days remaining)
- Q2 report cards went home with students Tuesday, January 13, 2026
- Tripod surveys were completed in December 2025. We have received the results. Principals will get their school results next week, and teachers will receive their results the week of January 26, 2026
- Bus 18's windshield has been repaired (hit by deer in Dec.)
- Bus 17 – engine repair – should be back in service late next week
- Damage to softball field house has been repaired
- No school Monday, January 19, 2026, in observance of MLK day

5.C. Project Updates

- The TC has been painted on the floor in front of the trophy case at the Field House
- The trophy case has been installed
- Lights are on – they work on a motion sensor
- Door knobs are on
- Fire extinguisher boxes (8) are mounted throughout the building
- Fire alarms are installed
- Exit signs are working
- Emergency light are working
- Hot water system has been installed
- Working on the floors/painting of lockers/installation of cabinets. All this should be done in the next week.
- JSMS Chiller is ready to be delivered. We are waiting for the concrete pad to be poured. Johnny Hawkins will pour the pad by Wednesday, January 21, 2026, weather permitting, and the chiller will be delivered by Thursday, January 29, 2026. Bransford Electrical has been notified and will install it once it is delivered.

6. OLD BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS:

7.A. Approval of TCHS FBLA School Trip Attachment K

Approval of the TCHS FBLA trip passed with a motion by Robert Atwood and a second by Chris Woodard.

Chris Woodard: Yea
Deanna Bode: Yea
John Kerr: Yea
Racheal Petty: Absent
Robert Atwood: Yea

7.B. Approval of TCHS Softball School Trip Attachment L

Approval of the TCHS Softball Trip passed with a motion by Chris Woodard and a second by Robert Atwood.

Chris Woodard: Yea
Deanna Bode: Yea
John Kerr: Yea
Racheal Petty: Absent
Robert Atwood: Yea

8. ACCOUNT ANALYSIS:

9. VENDOR CHECKS:

10. EXPENDITURES & ENCUMBRANCES:

11. ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn by Robert Atwood and a second by Chris Woodard.

Chris Woodard: Yea

Deanna Bode: Yea

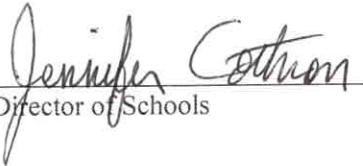
John Kerr: Yea

Racheal Petty: Absent

Robert Atwood: Yea



Chairperson



Director of Schools

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Trousedale County Schools
Request for Fundraising Activity Attachment A

School: TCES JSMS TCHS

Student Group/Activity: TCHS Cheer team

Net Amount Expected/Goal: \$500 - \$1000

Specific Purpose of the Fundraiser:

to build culture / engagement and raise money for the cheerleading team

Specific Use of the Funds Acquired:

new signs, paint, to build account

Describe how students will be involved in the fundraising activity:

Cheerleaders will be selling candy grams during breaks and lunch. Students can buy them a friend and cheerleaders will hand them out. Selling Feb 2nd - 12th Delivery on 13th

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Sponsor's Signature

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Date

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1-16-26
Date

Board Approved: Jan. 15, 2026

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Trousdale County Schools Request for Fundraising Activity

Attachment B

School: TCES

JSMS

TCHS

FEBRUARY 2026

Student Group/Activity: TCHS Color Guard

Net Amount Expected/Goal: \$500

Specific Purpose of the Fundraiser:

This fundraiser is meant to provide the TCHS Color guard with necessary supplies to practice and perform for the Winter Color Guard season.

Specific Use of the Funds Acquired:

Supplies include, but are not limited to: flag and rifle bolts, flag caps, electrical tape for preparing or repairing flags and color guard rifles, performance floor tarp, uniforms, flag silks, replacement screws, sewing kits for silk repair.

Describe how students will be involved in the fundraising activity:

Students will be selling Nothing Bundt Cakes.


Sponsor's Signature

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Date

Principal's Signature

Date


Director's Signature

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Date

Board Approved: Jan. 15, 2026



Trousdale County Schools Request for School Trip

(To be submitted to principal at least ten, (10) days prior to the occurrence of trip)

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Attachment C

School: TCES JSMS TCHS Other: _____
(Please specify)

Transportation Requested: Bus Van Car None
(Please indicate # of vehicles needed in boxes provided)

Destination: Hyder-Burks Agriculture Pavilion

Address: 2390 Gainsboro Grade, Cookeville, TN 38501

Date(s) of Event: Feb 3, 2026

Approximate Mileage: 103.6 (round trip) Student Fee: \$ 0

Group Attending: FFA Approximate #: 2

Teacher(s) in Charge: Amanda Waller

Departure Time: 7:00 Return Time: 12:00

How will students benefit from this trip? See Attachment

Lunch details: We will eat lunch after Interviews

Parents or Chaperones: N/A

Non-participating students or classes will Sub plans will be left

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Transportation Director's Signature

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Assigned Bus Driver(s): _____



Trousdale County Schools Request for School Trip

Individual
Speaking

(To be submitted to principal at least ten, (10) days prior to the occurrence of trip)

Attachment D

School: TCES JSMS TCHS Other: _____
(Please specify)

Transportation Requested: Bus Van Car None
(Please indicate # of vehicles needed in boxes provided)

Destination: Lebanon High School

Address: 500 Blue Devil, Lebanon TN 37087

Date(s) of Event: Jan 15, 2026 → Jan 22, 2026
Students advance

Approximate Mileage: 41 (round trip) Student Fee: \$ 0

Group Attending: FFA Approximate #: 4

Teacher(s) in Charge: Amanda Waller

Departure Time: 3:00 Return Time: 6:00

How will students benefit from this trip? See Attachment

Lunch details: This is an after school event

Parents or Chaperones: N/A

Non-participating students or classes will After School Event

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Transportation Director's Signature

Date

Assigned Bus Driver(s): _____



Trousdale County Schools Request for School Trip

(To be submitted to principal at least ten (10) days prior to the occurrence of trip)

School: TCES JSMS TCHS Other: _____
Attachment E
(Please specify)

Transportation Requested: Bus Van Car None
(Please indicate # of vehicles needed in boxes provided)

Destination: Watertown High School

Address: 9360 Sparta Pike, Watertown TN 37184

Date(s) of Event: Feb 19, 2026

Approximate Mileage: 60.2 (round trip) Student Fee: \$ 0

Group Attending: FFA Approximate #: 13

Teacher(s) in Charge: Amanda Waller

Departure Time: 3:00 Return Time: 7:00

How will students benefit from this trip? See Attachment

Lunch details: Students will eat lunch at school

Parents or Chaperones: N/A

Non-participating students or classes will After School Event

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Assigned Bus Driver(s): _____



Trousdale County Schools Request for School Trip

11/20/17
*pd by 2026 funds

*includes meal + unlimited drinks

(To be submitted to principal at least ten (10) days prior to the occurrence of trip)

School: TCES JSMS TCHS Other: _____
(Please specify)

Senior Trip 2026

Transportation Requested: Bus
(Please indicate # of vehicles needed in boxes provided)

detailed info (price) will come once approved
 Van Car None
Charter bus (pd for by class of 2026 funds)

Destination: Holiday World

Address: 452 E. Christmas Blvd, Santa Claus, IN 47579

Date(s) of Event: May 13th, 14th, 15th, 20th, OR 21st

Approximate Mileage: 310 (round trip) Student Fee: \$ pd through class of 2026 funds

Group Attending: Seniors (class of 2026) Approximate #: 50-79 (depends on ind student behavior and attendance)

Teacher(s) in Charge: Courtney Galloway, Brandon Eden, Shealyn Morgan, Amanda Stanley, + Jeffrey Link

Departure Time: 7:15 am Return Time: 6:30 pm

How will students benefit from this trip? This trip is a reward for good attendance and behavior and 4 years of hard work at TCHS.

It will also motivate future classes to work events to raise money for their graduating class and future senior trip.
Lunch details: Lunch is included in ticket price.

Parents or Chaperones: listed above (teachers in charge)

Non-participating students or classes will remain at school and be divided up among teachers

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Director's Signature

Date
1-16-26
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Transportation Director's Signature

Date

Assigned Bus Driver(s): _____



Trousdale County Schools Request for School Trip

(To be submitted to principal at least ten (10) days prior to the occurrence of trip)

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Attachment G

School: TCES JSMS TCHS Other: _____
(Please specify)

Transportation Requested: Bus Van Car None
(Please indicate # of vehicles needed in boxes provided)

Destination: Knoxville Area (Knoxville, Corryton)

Address: Baseball trip to play during Spring Break Week

Date(s) of Event: March 26th-28th, 2026

Approximate Mileage: 300 (round trip) Student Fee: \$ 0

Group Attending: TCHS Baseball Approximate #: _____

Teacher(s) in Charge: Cidney Cozart, Head Baseball Coach & Assistants

Departure Time: Mid-Day March 26th Return Time: Evening of March 28th

How will students benefit from this trip? By spending time together as a team.
To bond as a team, and have a good experience. To play teams that we usually don't.

Lunch details: Meals will be put together, and scheduled by coaches & parents.

Parents or Chaperones: There will be parents staying & assisting.

Non-participating students or classes will N/A

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Trousdale County Schools Request for Fundraising Activity

Attachment H

School: TCES JSMS TCHS

Student Group/Activity: Cheerleaders and Library

Net Amount Expected/Goal: \$2000+

Specific Purpose of the Fundraiser:
The purpose of this fundraiser, is to acquire the funds necessary to replace and replenish the supplies for each program.

Specific Use of the Funds Acquired:
The funds acquired will be put into each programs' general fund account, and will be used to make the necessary purchases as needs arise. For instance, cheer will use these funds purchase ink for our run through signs and replacement mats for our stunt work.

Describe how students will be involved in the fundraising activity:
The middle school cheerleaders and a select team of students (representing the library) will sell candy bars from Old Fashion Candy Company. These students will work closely with Mrs. Ewen and Mrs. Williams to take pre orders each morning. Money will be collected as orders are placed, and candy will be delivered at the end of each day. No candy will be delivered or consumed on school grounds with in school hours. Sales will begin in February and run throughout the month or until inventory is gone.

Sponsor's Signature  Date 1/8/25

Principal's Signature  Date 1/8/25

Director's Signature  Date 1-16-26

Board Approved: 1-15-26



Trousdale County Schools Request for Fundraising Activity

Attachment I

School: TCES JSMS TCHS

Student Group/Activity: JSMS TC Apparel Order

Net Amount Expected/Goal: \$1000.00

Specific Purpose of the Fundraiser:

Sale TC Apparel through front office and through pre-order (Quarter Zip, T-Shirts, Hats, Toboggans, Hoodies, etc)

Specific Use of the Funds Acquired:

Funds will be appropriated to purchase items for the school and improve some areas within the courtyard

Describe how students will be involved in the fundraising activity:


Students would only be involved through word of mouth if they choose to advertise the items. JSMS will promote the sale through the office by word of mouth and possible social media outlets for advertisement.


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Board Approved: Jan. 15, 2026

Trousdale County Schools Request for School Trip

(To be submitted to principal at least ten (10) days prior to the occurrence of trip)

School: TCES ___ JSMS ___ TCHS Other: _____ (Please specify)

Transportation Requested: (2) Bus ___ Van ___ Car ___ None

(Please indicate # of vehicles needed in boxes provided)

Attachment J

Destination: Nashville Zoo at Grassmere

Address: 3777 Nolensville Pike, Nashville, TN 37211

Date(s) of Event: Wednesday March 18, 2026

Approximate Mileage: 100 (round trip)

Student Fee: \$7.00

Shirt Fee: \$5.25 per shirt (+\$2 for 2XL, +\$3 for 3XL, +\$4 for 4XL) approximately \$683 including shirts for chaperones

Group Attending: 5th Grade

Approximate #: 115

Teacher(s) in Charge: Victoria Stanley and Savannah Sweeney

Departure Time: 8:00 Return Time: 2:00

How will students benefit from this trip? In topics 4 and 5 of SAVASS Elevate Science, students are educated on organisms, traits of organisms, animal adaptations, and their survival in their environments. An experience at the zoo can benefit students in their understanding of many organisms, their traits, adaptations, and survival. At school, the students will show their learning by writing an essay that addresses one of the organisms they observed. This includes the organisms specific traits, adaptations, and how they would survive if the organism's environment changed.

Lunch details: Students will take sack lunches from the cafeteria.

Parents or Chaperones: Chaperone positions have been filled by school staff.

Non-participating students or classes will stay at school and complete a zoo related research project.

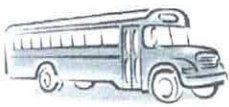
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Director's Signature Date

Transportation Director's Signature Date

Assigned Bus Driver(s): _____



Trousdale County Schools Request for School Trip

Attachment K

(To be submitted to principal at least ten (10) days prior to the occurrence of trip)

School: TCES JSMS TCHS Other: _____
(Please specify)

Transportation Requested: Bus(1) Van Car None
(Please indicate # of vehicles needed in boxes provided)

Destination: Chattanooga Convention Center

Address: 1 Carter St, Chattanooga, TN 37402

Date(s) of Event: April 6-9, 2026

Approximate Mileage: 310 (round trip) Student Fee: \$ 250 (Students had opportunities to raise this \$)

Group Attending: FBLA Approximate #: ~24 through the year

Teacher(s) in Charge: Chelsey Hough, Courtney Galloway, Caleb Schmittou

Departure Time: 7:45am (Monday) Return Time: 4:00pm (Thursday)

How will students benefit from this trip? students will compete in events and participate in leadership workshops. They will showcase skills, celebrate achievements, and connect with peers + professionals in business.

Lunch details: 3 meals a day will be the responsibility of the student

Parents or Chaperones: possibly David + Shannon Satterfield

Non-participating students or classes will have a substitute paid for by FBLA.

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Assigned Bus Driver(s): _____

Teachers in, 3 max depending on student participation??



Trousdale County Schools Request for School Trip

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Attachment I

School: TCES JSMS TCHS Other: _____
(Please specify)

Transportation Requested: Bus Van Car None
(Please indicate # of vehicles needed in boxes provided)

Destination: Gulf Shores Alabama

Address: 19025 Oak Rd. West Gulf Shores AL, 36542

Date(s) of Event: March 23-25 (May leave the day before)

Approximate Mileage: 1030 mi (round trip) Student Fee: \$ _____

Group Attending: TCHS Softball Approximate #: 20 Players

Teacher(s) in Charge: Head Coach Sean Link

Departure Time: 2 pm 3/22 Return Time: 10 pm
Depending on incoming Tournament Schedule

How will students benefit from this trip?

1. Teamwork and Relationship Building
2. Responsibility and Independence
3. Leadership and Character Development
4. Exposure Beyond the Classroom
5. Application of Life Skills
6. Academic Motivation and Engagement
7. School Pride and Representation

Lunch details: To be worked out by coaches and parents

Parents or Chaperones: Estimated 75% of Parents will attend with 4 Coaches

Non-participating students or classes will _____

Players who choose not to attend the trip may do so without penalty

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