



Board Briefs

Hickman Mills C-1 School District
BOARD OF EDUCATION

HMC-1 Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting Summary Thursday, February 19, 2026

The Hickman Mills C-1 Board of Education met on February 19 to celebrate student success, approve important district plans, and review updates that support students and schools.

Celebrating Student Success

Superintendent Dr. Dennis Carpenter recognized the district's outstanding **LEGO League teams** for their hard work and achievements. Two teams from Truman Elementary and Hickman Mills Middle School advanced to regional competitions, and Truman Elementary earned a special award for its Innovation Project.

This year, student participation in LEGO League included:

- **86 students** in grades 4–8 (Challenge Group) across 8 schools
- **33 students** in grades 2–3 (Explore Group) across 7 schools
- **40 students** in grades Pre-K–1 (Discover Group) across 8 schools

Hickman Mills Middle School also hosted a regional competition in December, showcasing the district's strong commitment to STEM learning.

School Naming Recommendations Approved

The Board approved recommendations from the District Naming Committee to rename several schools:

- Alvin Brooks Middle School will become **Truman Elementary at Ervin**
- Ervin Elementary will become **C.A. Burke Elementary**
- Santa Fe Elementary will become the **Brooks-Sharp 6th Grade Center at Santa Fe**

The Naming Committee included board members, staff, parents, students, and community members. These changes reflect the district's school reconfiguration plan and honor important community leaders.

Key District Updates Approved

The Board approved several important items to support students and district operations, including:

- Financial, operations, and academic reports
- A new Local Compliance Plan is required by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)
- A partnership with Zeta Driving School to provide students with career training opportunities
- The selection of Hollis and Miller Architects to support future facility planning and improvements
- Updated the Missouri School Boards' Association (MSBA) policies

Community and Board Support

Community members shared their pride in Hickman Mills students and encouraged continued communication with families. Board members expressed appreciation for teachers, staff, and families for their hard work and dedication. Board members and district leaders emphasized that Hickman Mills is moving forward together, focused on student success and building a strong future.

Upcoming Events

- February 25, 2026 – Legislative Day at the Capitol
- Black History Month programs throughout the district
- March 10, 2026 – Dinner & Dialogue with the Board, 6:00 pm

For details on Board meetings, agendas, or documents, visit the Board Agenda Listing: https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/SB_Meetings/SB_MeetingListing.aspx?S=223.

To watch the Board Meeting, visit the District's YouTube account: <https://www.youtube.com/@HickmanMillsC1SchoolDistrict>

Next Board Meeting

- March 5, 2026 – Board Meeting, Working Session
 - Closed Session – 5:00 pm
 - Open Session Board Meeting – 6:00 pm