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February 10, 2026

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Superintendent's Report

District News

The Paulding Education Foundation, in partnership with LGE Credit Union and GreyStone Power, hosted its annual Casino Night on February 7, 2026. This signature event is the Foundation's largest fundraiser of the year, generating support for student college scholarships, classroom grants, and specialty grants that positively impact all Paulding County School District schools.

February 2nd–6th marked National School Counseling Week. Mr. Barnette expressed his sincere appreciation to our school counselors for their continued hard work, dedication, and commitment to supporting the academic success and well-being of our students.

Congratulations to Lucas Dyer, Roberts ES 5th Grader, who was named the 2026 District Spelling Bee Champion. Mr. Barnette also commended all participating students for their outstanding effort and achievement.

The FY2027 budget development process is now underway. The proposed budget timeline includes three public hearings scheduled for June 2nd at 8AM, June 2nd at 6PM, and June 16th at 8AM. The Tentative Budget will be presented at the May 19th Board Meeting.

Additionally, the Board has approved rescheduling the June 9th Board Meeting to June 11th due to a scheduling conflict with the 2026 Georgia School Boards Association Summer Conference.

Upcoming Events

- March 5th—Teacher Transfer and Career Fair will be held the Paulding County Recreational and Cultural Affairs Building beginning @4PM for the Transfer Fair and @5PM for the Career Fair.
- February 2—[Kindergarten Registration](#) for the 2026-2027 School Year
- February 14—Happy Valentine's Day
- February 16-20—Winter Break—Schools are closed and District Offices are closed on Monday and Tuesday.
- February 24—Next School Board meeting @5:30PM.

Operational and Organizational Excellence

Quarterly Financial Update—Anna Durham, Chief Financial Officer, presented the Quarterly Financial Update for December 2025. The Asset Disposal for December 2025 was presented for review. [Click here](#) for the full presentation.

Resolutions for Project Closeouts—Doug Carey, Executive Director of Facilities, presented resolutions for NPHS, Crossroads MS and Baggett ES to close these projects. The resolutions will refund the district just over \$634,000.

IFB 26-251215 Network Equipment and Maintenance—Cole Crowder, Director of Procurement, presented the recommendation to award Invitation for Bid (IFB) 26-251215 Network Equipment and Maintenance to PC Solutions & Integration, Inc., Miami, Florida and to Graybar Electric, Norcross, Georgia. This award will be for the period beginning July 2026 through June 2027. Purchases will be prioritized based on District needs and subject to budget limitations. FY2027 estimated budget of \$500,000. E-rate funding will be utilized for purchases through this contract.

RFP 22-211203 Lawn Care Maintenance—Mr. Crowder also presented the recommendation to award renewal of Request For Proposal (RFP) 22-211203 Lawn Care Maintenance to Brightview Landscape, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia. This award will be for the one-year period beginning March 2026 through February 2027. This award is the fourth of five potential one-year renewals. Purchases based on District needs and subject to budget limitations. FY26 working budget of \$544,061. Funding Source: General Fund

Personnel

School	Status	Employee	New Position	Old Position	Effective Date
Abney	Resignation	Hering, Kaylin	NA	4th Grade Teacher	5/22/2026
Abney	Retirement	Stewart, Susan	NA	2nd Grade Teacher	5/22/2026
Abney	Retirement	Stone, Donna	NA	5th Grade Teacher	5/22/2026
Abney	Resignation	Stone, Lauren	NA	4th Grade Teacher	5/22/2026
Baggett	Supply	Woods, Deidre	4th Grade Teacher	NA	2/23/2026
Dugan	New Hire	Lee, Amanda	SNP Asst. (5.5 hrs.)	NA	2/11/2026
Hiram	Retirement	Johnson, Kimberly	NA	Kindergarten Teacher	5/22/2026
Hiram	Resignation	Lewis, Megan	NA	IRR Teacher Local	5/22/2026
Hiram	Retirement	Walburn, Troy	NA	Music Teacher	5/22/2026
Poole	New Hire	Cuda, Candace	SNP Asst. (5 hrs.)	NA	2/11/2026
Ragsdale	Supply	Dukes, Allison	Kindergarten Teacher	NA	1/5/2026
Ragsdale	Retirement	Harrison, Julie	NA	PreK Teacher State	5/22/2026

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Ragsdale	Resignation	Landrum, Kaley	NA	2nd Grade Teacher	5/22/2026
Roberts	Retirement	Rainwater, Wendy	NA	Kindergarten Teacher	5/22/2026
Russom	New Hire	Massa, Jennifer	SNP Asst. (5 hrs.)	NA	2/11/2026
Shelton	Resignation	Reynolds, Jennifer	NA	Kindergarten Teacher	5/22/2026
Shelton	Retirement	Ruzicka, Tina	NA	Kindergarten Para	5/21/2026
Crossroads MS	Resignation	McCarver, Caroline	NA	Spanish Teacher	4/24/2026
Dobbins	Retirement	Steele, Dawn	NA	6th Grade Teacher	5/22/2026
EPMS	Retirement	Freshour, Robert	NA	6th Grade Teacher	5/22/2026
EPMS	Resignation	Fuller, Angelia	NA	Music Teacher	5/22/2026
EPMS	Retirement	Hubbard, Bettina	NA	Clerk (185)	5/22/2026
HJMS	Supply	Holloway, Kayla	Chorus Teacher	NA	1/30/2026
McClure	Transfer	Doty, Chad	Dedicated Para 6B	Security Guard	2/11/2026
McClure	Resignation	Lee, Cori	NA	Art Teacher	5/22/2026
McClure	New Hire	Lee, Dakota	Security Guard	NA	2/11/2026
McClure	Resignation	Nicolai, Madison	NA	MIMO Teacher Local	5/22/2026
Ritch	Resignation	Horne, Timyka	NA	MOID Para Local	1/27/2026
Scoggins	Retirement	Bailey, Angela	NA	Reading Recovery Teacher	5/22/2026
Scoggins	New Hire	Beasley, Brenda	MID Para Local	NA	2/11/2026
Scoggins	Retirement	Blackstock, Traci	NA	Media Specialist	5/22/2026
Scoggins	Retirement	Bryant, Leronda	NA	6th Grade Teacher	5/22/2026
Scoggins	Retirement	Lester, Regina	NA	6th Grade Teacher	5/22/2026
SPMS	Retirement	Ball, Mary	NA	Engineering & Technology Teacher	5/22/2026
SPMS	Retirement	Prater, Mary	NA	School Counselor (205)	5/29/2026
EPHS	Retirement	Bomar, Sophia	NA	Spanish Teacher	5/22/2026

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HHS	Resignation	Schulze, Lesley	NA	Math Intervention Teacher	5/22/2026
NPHS	Resignation	Britt, Darrell	NA	Security Guard	1/23/2026
NPHS	Retirement	Humphrey, Peggy	NA	Teacher 9-12	5/22/2026
NPHS	Retirement	Keefe, Krista	NA	Counselor (205)	5/29/2026
NPHS	New Hire	Renteria, Roland	Security Guard	NA	2/23/2026
PCHS	New Hire	Beck, Wendy	Clerk (190)	NA	2/23/2026
PCHS	Resignation	Green, Erick	NA	JROTC Instructor	6/30/2026
PCHS	New Hire	Cardona Durango, Adriana	SNP Asst. (5 hrs.)	NA	2/11/2026
PCHS	Transfer	Huff, Jo Ann	Clerk (195)	Clerk (190)	2/11/2026
PCHS	New Hire	Northcutt, Kendell	Day Porter	NA	2/11/2026
PCHS	New Hire	Oliver, Evelyn	SNP Asst. (5 hrs.)	NA	2/11/2026
SPHS	Resignation	Allen, Maurice	NA	PE Teacher	2/20/2026
SPHS	Resignation	Cramer, Brian	NA	Teacher 9-12	5/22/2026
SPHS	Supply	Goethe, Susan	Counselor (205)	NA	2/2/2026
SPHS	New Hire	Nichols, Samantha	SNP Asst. (5 hrs.)	NA	2/11/2026
SPHS	New Hire	Renner, Donna	Media Clerk	NA	2/11/2026
SPHS	Resignation	Saunders, Dana	NA	ISS Instructional Aide	1/23/2026
SPHS	Retirement	Strickland, Emily	NA	IRR Teacher Local	5/22/2026
Central	Retirement	Duvall, Christina	NA	ESOL Teacher	5/22/2026
Central	Rehire	Haney, Catherine	Special Education Coordinator	NA	7/1/2026
Central	Retirement	Mathis, Karen	NA	SNP Director	6/30/2026
Central	New Hire	Reese, Barbara	SNP Itinerant Manager	NA	2/11/2026

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Maintenance	New Hire	Faulkner, Billy	Kitchen Equipment Tech.	NA	2/13/2026
Transportation	Resignation	Jarvis, Jay	NA	Bus Driver	2/13/2026
Transportation	New Hire	Johnsa, Holly	Bus Driver	NA	2/11/2026
Transportation	Resignation	Laster, Gladys	NA	Bus Monitor	1/22/2026
Transportation	New Hire	Lott, Gregory	Bus Driver	NA	2/11/2026
Transportation	Resignation	Pritchett, Rebecca	NA	Bus Monitor	1/21/2026
Transportation	New Hire	Sealey, Vibert	Bus Driver	NA	2/11/2026
Transportation	Resignation	Spears, Robert	NA	Bus Driver	2/13/2026
EPHS	Resignation-Add 'I Duty	Cooper, Darin	NA	JV Boys Lacrosse	1/31/2026
PCHS	Community Coach	Pearson, Andrew	Wrestling	NA	2025/2026

Personnel Transfers

School	Status	Employee	New Position	Old Position	Effective Date
New GA	Transfer	Cagle, Keri	School Nurse LPN	School Nurse LPN	1/28/2026
Austin	Transfer	Dickson, Jordan	School Nurse RN	School Nurse RN	1/28/2026
EPHS	Transfer	Baker, Clarissa	Dedicated Para Local	MID Para Local	1/29/2026
EPHS	Transfer	China, Kristin	MID Para Local	Dedicated Para Local	1/29/2026
McClure	Transfer	Pellegrin, Tamela	MID Para Local	Dedicated Para 6B	2/11/2026
EPHS	Transfer	Dickinson, James	Security Guard	Security Guard	2/11/2026
PCHS	Transfer	Wainwright, Albert	Security Guard	Security Guard	2/11/2026