

Dear WCS Families, Staff, and Community Members,

January and February have been incredibly productive for Wyoming City Schools. Our Board and staff have stayed focused on the big picture, advancing key initiatives and planning for a busy spring, while taking plenty of time to celebrate our students' wins in and out of the classroom. We are grateful for the steadfast support of our families and community. As we enter spring break, we're ready to keep that momentum going and finish the year strong!

Below are district updates and several highlights from the regular Board of Education (BOE) meetings on Monday, January 26, 2026, and on Monday, February 23, 2026. I will continue to share information following our Board meetings to keep you informed and connected to the work of the district.

- January BOE Meeting: [Agenda](#), [Minutes](#), and [Video](#) (*This meeting was moved to February 2 due to severe weather.*)
- February 23rd BOE Meeting: [Agenda](#) and [Video](#)

Sincerely,

Tim Weber
Superintendent

January BOE Organizational Meeting

Each January, the Board of Education holds its [Organizational Meeting](#), which serves as an important opportunity to establish the structure and priorities for the year ahead. During this meeting, the Board elects its president and vice president, sets the meeting calendar, and reviews key operational items that ensure the effective governance of the district.

We were also pleased to welcome our newly elected Board members, Justin Belarski, Nathan Lee, and Dr. Scott Spera at this time and thank them for their willingness to serve our school community. Board service is a meaningful commitment, and we are grateful for the time, perspective, and leadership each member brings to this role. Strong board leadership is essential in setting direction, maintaining accountability, and supporting the success of our students, staff, and families. We appreciate the continued focus and dedication of our Board as we move forward together!



The Wyoming City Schools Board of Education
Pictured left to right: Vice President Dr. Illya Thomas, Member Dr. Scott Spera, President Jeanie Zoller, Member Justin Belarski, and Member Nathan Lee.

WCS Special Recognitions

Celebrating the success of the students and staff of Wyoming City Schools is central to the mission and vision of our strategic plan. We kicked off the January meeting with First Semester Celebrations, our opportunity to recognize just some of the many accomplishments of our students, staff, and community from the primary, middle, and high schools over the first half of the school year. You can view these exciting celebrations here: [January 2026 BOE Meeting \(timestamp 01:42\)](#).

Retirement

Congratulations to John Hoeffler, who will be retiring at the end of this school year! John has worked in the district's Maintenance Department for more than 11 years. His wide range of skills and experience will be missed. We thank John for his years of service to Wyoming City Schools! We will celebrate John and all of this year's retirees at our May Board of Education Meeting.



Financial Forecast

During the February meeting, Treasurer Ronda Johnson presented the financial forecast which was then approved by the Board of Education later in the meeting. The financial forecast is an important planning tool that provides a comprehensive look at the district's projected revenues, expenditures, and overall financial outlook. It takes into account factors such as state funding, local tax revenues, staffing, and operational costs to help ensure the district remains financially stable and able to support its educational priorities. You can view this update on the Financial Forecast presentation through this link: [February 2026 Meeting \(timestamp: 0:33\)](#).

Policy First Read

One of the major tasks of a school board is to periodically review and update Board Policy. During the February meeting, the Board of Education reviewed several policy changes that will be recommended for approval during the March 30 BOE Regular Meeting. You can view the discussion of the policy updates during the meeting through this link: [February 2026 Meeting \(timestamp 37:47\)](#).

Primary Facilities Update

During the January and February meetings, we provided ongoing updates on the progress being made in the construction of our new primary schools. Below are specific updates on each of the buildings. Additionally, you can view all updates on our primary facilities construction project through the following link from the district website - [WCS Primary Facilities Project](#).

- [Hilltop Primary School](#) - On February 17, the City of Wyoming approved the development plan for Hilltop following the third and final City Council reading. This important milestone allows construction to continue moving forward.

What's Next at Hilltop: April will take us through the bid process. In May, crews will begin foundation work; excavating for footings, placing rebar, and pouring concrete to form the structural base of the building. This will mark the transition from site preparation to vertical construction. As the foundation takes shape, the physical footprint of Hilltop will become clearly visible on the site.

- [Elm Primary School](#) - The City of Wyoming has officially approved the use of the Presbyterian Church of Wyoming as the temporary school site during Elm's construction. This approval represents more than a logistical step forward; it highlights an incredible partnership between the church and our district. We are grateful for their willingness to provide welcoming, high-quality learning spaces for Elm students during this transition.

- [Vermont Primary School](#) - During the February meeting, we discussed the plan for the second Vermont Primary School Design Workshop. This was held on Monday, March 9, with strong community participation. During the session, architect Mike Ruetschle reviewed the district's overall primary schools master facilities plan and shared updates to the current design of Vermont Primary School based on feedback from the first workshop.



Participants were then divided into small groups to reflect on the proposed site layout and building design. Mike Ruetschle will attend the March 30 Board of Education meeting to present the updated Vermont Primary School design incorporating feedback from this most recent design workshop and conversations with school staff.

IMPACT AWARD

Wyoming City Schools is laser-focused on the academic and personal development of every child. Tremendous work is done across our school community to create extraordinary opportunities for Wyoming students. That work and the partnership that exists between students, staff, parents, and our entire community is what sets Wyoming apart. The WCS Impact Award recognizes staff members who are making a positive impact in the lives of the students, families, and staff of Wyoming City Schools. Congratulations to our January Impact Award winner, [Wyoming Middle School Teacher Julie Christner](#), and our February Impact Award winner, [Vermont Primary School Intervention Specialist Katie Gottschall](#)!

