

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
 COFFEYVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 445
 Regular Meeting 4:00 p.m.**

April 13, 2026

District Office

"Building on a culturally diverse community, USD 445 will prepare all students for life-long learning by providing resources for a comprehensive quality education in a safe environment that promotes high academic achievement and responsible citizenship in a global society." – Mission Statement

"Valuing individuals, Celebrating Learning, Improving Life! USD 445 will provide a happy, caring, hopeful environment that will empower children to achieve their greatest potential." – Vision Statement

The Board of Education of Coffeyville USD 445 met Monday, April 13, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. at the District Office, 615 Ellis, Coffeyville, KS 67337.

President, Jason Barnett called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present	Others Present
Cindy Price Denise Gates Matt Jordan Delia Northup Jason Barnett Shanna Motl LaKisha Johnson	Dr. Craig Correll...Superintendent Michael Speer...Dep. Sup./Bus. Manager Lora Stalford...Asst. Sup/Curriculum Director Cassandra Worden...Child Nutrition Director Dorothy Riley...Child Nutrition Floor Manager Samantha Kendrick...CACF Thomas Macaronis
Board Members Absent	
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Adoption of Agenda:

Motion made by LaKisha Johnson to adopt the agenda, second by Denise Gates.
 Motion carried 7-0.

Open Republished Budget Hearing

Board President, Jason Barnett opened the republished budget hearing at 4:00 pm.

Adoption of Consent Agenda:

Motion made by Shanna Motl to adopt the consent agenda, second by Cindy Price.
 Motion carried 7-0.

- A. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting, March 9, 2026
- B. Approval of Bills and Treasurer’s Report
- C. Child Nutrition Report – March 2026
- D. Travel Report
- E. Acceptance of Resignations/Retirement
 - 1. Resignation – Darcey Hooper, Elementary Teacher, CES
 - 2. Resignation – Brittney Sullivant, Elementary Teacher, CES

06-General	\$ 432,322.02	44-JOM	\$ 7,780.53	86-Rec. Benefits	\$ -
08-LOB	\$ 54,414.39	48-MEICHV	\$ 967.97	89-FKHS Pool	\$ -
11-PK-AR	\$ 724.29	49-MEICHV	\$ -	90-Title VI-B	\$ -
13-AR	\$ 1,263.82	51-KPERS	\$ -	91-Title V	\$ -
14-Bilingual	\$ 90.44	53-Contingency	\$ -	92-21st- CES	\$ 1,633.72
15-Virtual	\$ 12.82	55-Textbook	\$ -	93-Title I-C	\$ -
16-Cap Outlay	\$ 43,245.86	56-Activity	\$ 5,627.40	94-Title III	\$ -
18-Drivers Ed.	\$ 4.14	62-Bond & Int.	\$ -	95-Title I	\$ 5,220.76
24-Child Nutritio	\$ 118,902.80	71-KU Com. Heal	\$ 123.42	96-Title II-A	\$ -
26-Inservice	\$ 2,245.24	72-KU-SIT Cord	\$ -	97-Title IV	\$ -
28- PAT	\$ 607.70	73-ECBG Grant	\$ 3,714.28		
29-Summer Schc	\$ -	77-Afterschool	\$ 0.64		
30-Special Ed.	\$ 134,183.84	78-ESSER III	\$ -	02-HS Activity	\$ 15,908.98
34-CTE	\$ 3,207.79	79-KDHE-COVIE	\$ -	03-MS Activity	\$ 185.00
35-Gifts/Grants	\$ 13,052.02	80-21st- ELC	\$ 4,814.64	04-CES. Activity	\$ 1,041.90
40-Indian Ed.	\$ 4,659.24	81-Title II-D	\$ -	Payroll	\$ 1,406,929.85
43-ARE-HCY-II	\$ 1,665.32	84-Rec. Comm.	\$ -		

Miscellaneous Reports and Discussion:

Positive Comments:

- LaKisha Johnson commented on the recent Booster Club event that was held and the number of people involved in the event.

Central Office Reports:

1. Business Manager/Clerk of the Board
 - A. USD 445 Child Nutrition - Cassandra Worden, Child Nutrition Director
 - i. Casey Worden and Dorothy Riley presented updates within the Child Nutrition department to the Board.
 - ii. Information regarding Farm to School was passed out to the Board.
 - iii. Before and Now images were presented to the Board showing how food was served, place and bake, compared to the current scratch-made food.
 - iv. The differences of food service vs. child nutrition. This change is moving from basically serving food or feeding students to nutrition and preparing students.
 - v. Place and Bake meets the needs of the program requirements, but that is about all it does. Scratch cooking takes away the "packaged" items that come from the vendors and replaces those with fresh, made from scratch food. The scratch made food is much healthier with little to know synthetic ingredients. This involves a lot of change especially with staff.
 - vi. Place and Bake is a serve type plate, meaning they simply take a tray that already has the items placed on it. Scratch cooking allows for the offer or choice option which is where students take the items they want to take. Most students take a wide variety of food of their choice.
 - vii. Kitchen needs change as cooking and nutritional needs change. Funding comes from a variety of places including grants. Meal reimbursement rates have not kept up with the rising food costs and personnel costs.
 - viii. The different age groups of students have different portion size as well ad dietary needs. ELC, CES have different options compared to the high school and middle school which are more towards the adult style of meals.

- ix. Create nutritional meals, improve taste of food, focus on scratch cooking vs pre-packaged foods, reduce staff burnout, support quality, increase department efficiency are all goals of the department.
 - x. Farm to School is operated entirely by Child Nutrition employees. What is grown in greenhouse and in the hydroponic farm are all used in the daily meals fed to the students. Support for the programs from the students has been both increasing and exciting. Usually participation is afterschool and on the weekend. The challenge is that this is not an extracurricular activity but more of integrated into the curriculum.
 - xi. USD 445 Child Nutrition has been recognized both locally, at the state level, at the national level as well as international collaboration efforts.
2. Superintendent
 - A. New and updated board policies
 - i. Several board policies were minor changes in updates
 - ii. There are a handful of new policies that need to be added.
 - iii. Several polices are no longer needed as they have been incorporated into new or existing policies or are now part of state statute and may be deleted.
 3. Curriculum Director
 - A. Textbook and curriculum purchases
 - i. Lora Stalford presented information regarding each of the textbook/curriculum purchase items.
 - ii. Changes in enrollment numbers and renewals of existing programs.

Tri-County Special Education Report

- Tri-County Special Education Report made by Cindy Price
- Reports were included in the board packet.
- Tri-County has finished the strategic plan and should be adopted soon.
- There are budget concerns. They are reviewing the hours worked are matching up with the students IEPs. As students move around and IEPs change, staff need to change as well.
- Emily has brought in Greenbush and a former Superintendent to get a different perspective on the special education budget process.

All remaining reports as printed on the agenda and in the Board Booklet.

Close Republished Budget Hearing

Board President, Jason Barnett closed the republished budget hearing at 5:04 pm.

Action Items:

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and purchase Into Reading materials from HMH for \$25,023.16.

Motion made by Delia Northup to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and purchase Into Reading materials from HMH for \$25,023.16. Seconded by LaKisha Johnson.
Motion carried 7-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and purchase HMH Social Studies curriculum for two years for \$30,464.

Motion made by Delia Northup to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and purchase HMH Social Studies curriculum for two years for \$30,464. Seconded by LaKisha Johnson.
Motion carried 7-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation and renew Autentico for six years from Savvas Learning Company for \$10,790.

Motion made by Shanna Motl to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation and renew Autentico for six years from Savvas Learning Company for \$10,790. Seconded by Cindy Price. Motion carried 7-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation and renew envision Math for three years from Savvas Learning Company for \$98,427.

Motion made by Shanna Motl to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation and renew envision Math for three years from Savvas Learning Company for \$98,427. Seconded by Cindy Price. Motion carried 7-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation and adopt the republished 2026-2027 school district budget.

Motion made by LaKisha Johnson to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation and adopt the republished 2026-2027 school district budget. Seconded by Denise Gates. Motion carried 7-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation and adopt the 2027-2028 school calendar.

Motion made by LaKisha Johnson to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation and adopt the 2027-2028 school calendar. Seconded by Denise Gates. Motion carried 7-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation and approve the renewal of student information system Infinite Campus for \$39,643.90 for 2026-2027.

Motion made by Cindy Price to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation and approve the renewal of student information system Infinite Campus for \$39,643.90 for 2026-2027. Seconded by Delia Northup. Motion carried 7-0.

Action Items Personnel:

Board action to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation and terminate staff employment

Motion made by Delia Northup to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation and terminate the employment of:

Chasadi Brashear, Lead Secretary, RMS

Seconded by LaKisha Johnson. Motion carried 7-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation of employment

Motion made by Shanna Motl to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation for the following district employment positions:

Gerald Griffin, Biology Teacher, FKHS (2026-2027 school year)

Therann Moore, Elementary Teacher, CES (2026-2027 school year)
Skyeler Harrah, Lead Secretary, RMS (starts 4/13/2026)
Jahlannis Jones, Language Arts Teacher, FKHS (2026-2027 school year)

Seconded by Matt Jordan. Motion carried 7-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation of employee transfers:

Motion made by Cindy Price to approve the Superintendent's recommendation of the employee transfers within the district:

Susan Lunt, Instructional Coach, CES to Language Arts Teacher, RMS
Tara Gossard, Assistant Principal, CES to Instructional Coach, CES

Seconded by Denise Gates. Motion carried 7-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation of supplemental contracts

Motion made by Delia Northup to approve the Superintendent's recommendation for the following supplemental position employments:

Scott McFall, Asst. Baseball Coach, FKHS (2025-2026 school year)

Seconded by Denise Gates. Motion carried 7-0.

Executive Session:

Personnel Matters and to Discuss Negotiations

Motion made by LaKisha Johnson to move into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss an employee(s) performance pursuant to the nonelected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act, and to discuss the latest proposal of language changes in the Negotiated Agreement pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under the Kansas Open Meetings Act, and the open meeting will resume in this room at 5:42 pm. Seconded by Jason Barnett. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Craig Correll, Superintendent, was invited into the executive session.
Michael Speer, Deputy Superintendent/Business Manager, was invited into the executive session.
Lora Stalford, Assistant Superintendent, was invited into the executive session.

Reconvened to Open Session at 5:42 p.m. with no action taken.

Motion made by Matt Jordan to move into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss an employee(s) performance pursuant to the nonelected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act, and the open meeting will resume in this room at 6:02 pm. Seconded by LaKisha Johnson. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Craig Correll, Superintendent, was invited into the executive session.
Michael Speer, Deputy Superintendent/Business Manager, was invited into the executive session.

Reconvened to Open Session at 6:02 p.m. with no action taken.

Motion made by Cindy Price to move into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss an employee(s) performance pursuant to the nonelected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act, and the open meeting will resume in this room at 6:02 pm. Seconded by Shanna Motl. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Craig Correll, Superintendent, was invited into the executive session.
Michael Speer, Deputy Superintendent/Business Manager, was invited into the executive session.

Reconvened to Open Session at 6:07 p.m. with no action taken.

Adjournment:

Motion made by LaKisha Johnson to adjourn the USD 445 Board of Education meeting. Seconded by Matt Jordan. Motion carried 7-0.

At 6:07 p.m., President, Jason Barnett adjourned this April 13, 2026 regular session of the governing Board of Education for Coffeyville Unified Schools District 445.

Clerk of the Board

USD 445
Board of Education
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Republished Budget Hearing

Career & Technical Education
2025-2026 Budget

Republished CTE Fund Budget

- Career & Technical Education expenditures should be made out of fund 34.
- Increased authority from \$450,000 to \$499,500
- Additional Carl Perkins grant funding (Reserve Grants and additional allocation amounts) as well as increased CTE expenditures at the high school.
- Republished budget does not change anything else, taxes, general fund, LOB, etc.
- Published Thursday, March 12, 2026 in the Montgomery County Chronicle.

The image shows a collage of budget-related documents. At the top, there are two spreadsheets with columns for various budget categories and amounts. Below these is a 'NOTICE OF HEARING ON AMENDING THE 2024-25 BUDGET' form. The form includes a section for 'SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT' with the following data:

Fund	Amount of the Amendment	Program Allocation
General & Professional Sv.	499,500	499,500

The form also includes a section for 'AMENDMENT' with a table for 'Fund to Amend' and 'Program Allocation'.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes
- Approval of Bills & Treasurer's Report
- Child Nutrition Report
- Acceptance of Resignation/Retirements

Miscellaneous Reports

Positive Comments

Central Office

Tri-County Special Education

Child Nutrition USD 445 Coffeyville

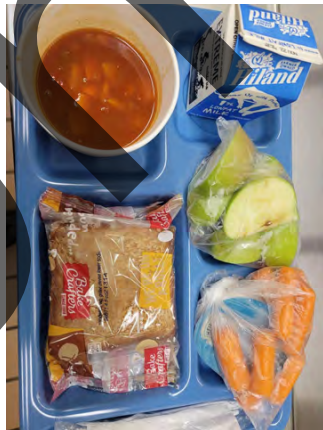
Casey Worden
Child Nutrition Director

FROM FOOD SERVICE TO CHILD NUTRITION: FEEDING STUDENTS, SUPPORTING LEARNING

Casey Worden
Director, Child Nutrition USD 445

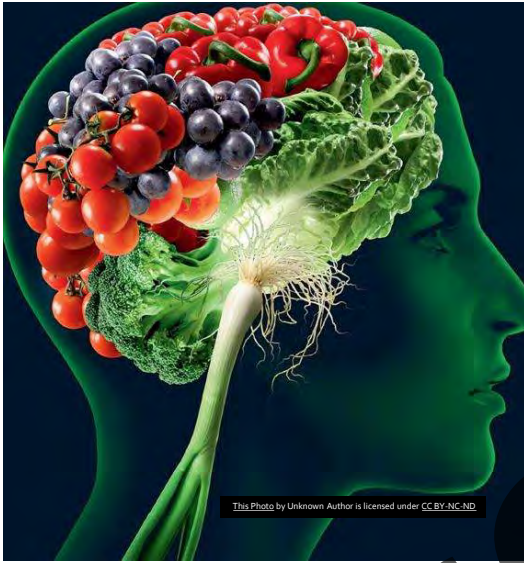
Reframing the Work

Before



After





Why Language Matters

- Food Service = Transaction
- Child Nutrition = Impact

Words drive priorities – and priorities drive outcomes

Part of the School Day

- Focus
- Behavior
- Readiness





Before

- Place & Bake
- Prepackaged
- Limited Connection

Now





Why Kitchens Matter

- You can't run a modern program in an outdated space.
- Efficiency
- Capacity
- Sustainability



Supporting Staff

- Our Staff are doing more than ever – and they need the right tools

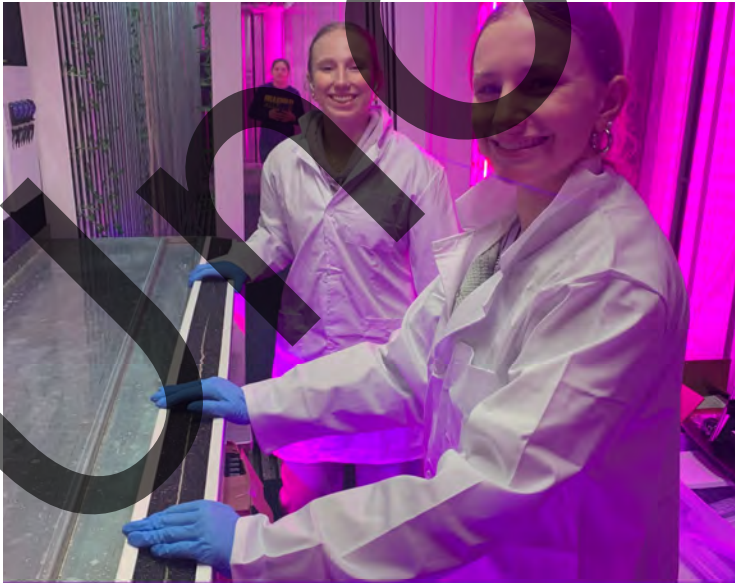




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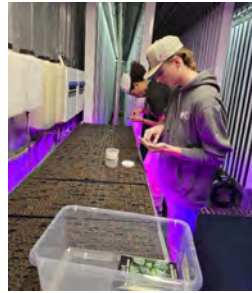


FARM TO SCHOOL



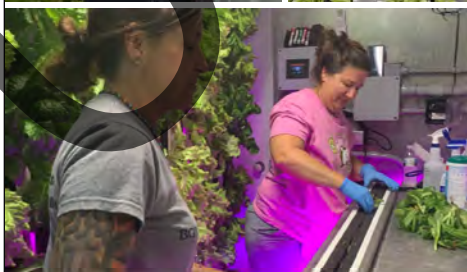
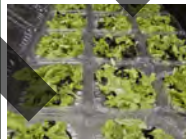
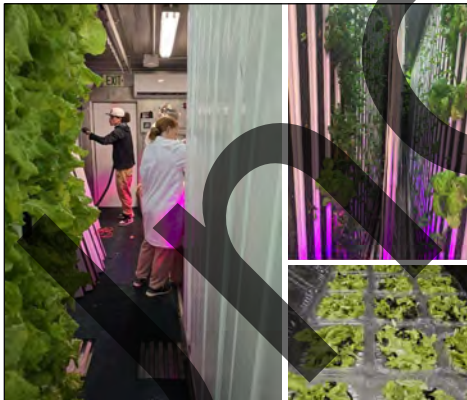
Not Extracurricular

- This is hands-on learning – not extracurricular



Student Impact

- Hands – On Learning
- Real – World Skills
- Connection to Food



Integrated Learning

- STEM
- Nutrition
- Workforce Skills

Growing Recognition – State Level



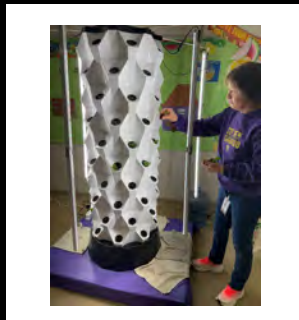
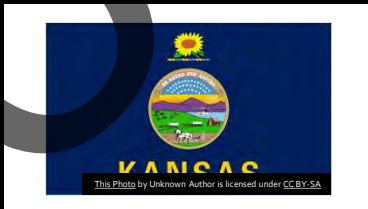
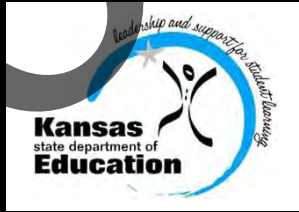
- KSDE State Board of Education Meeting
- Kansans CAN Award – Kansans CAN Serve Local Foods 2024-2025
- Farm to School Informational Hearing
- Kansas Local Foods Summit
- Child Nutrition & Wellness Advisory Council Member

GROWING RECOGNITION – NATIONAL LEVEL

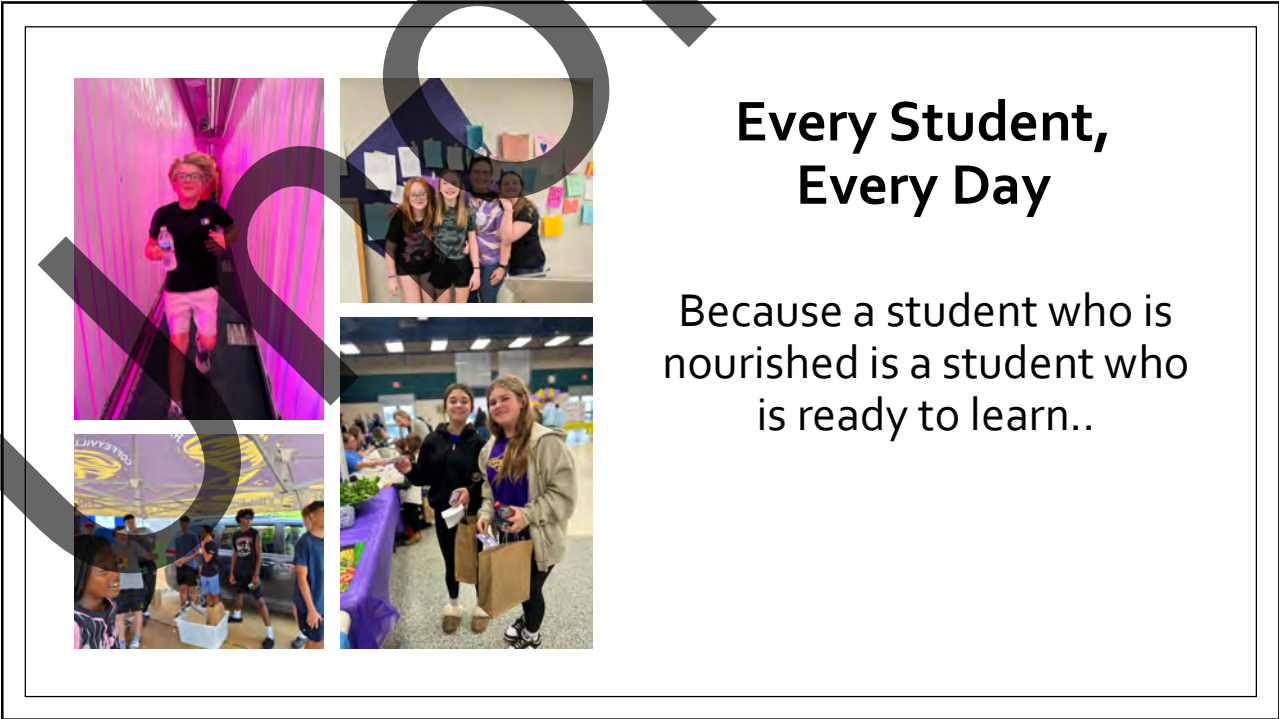
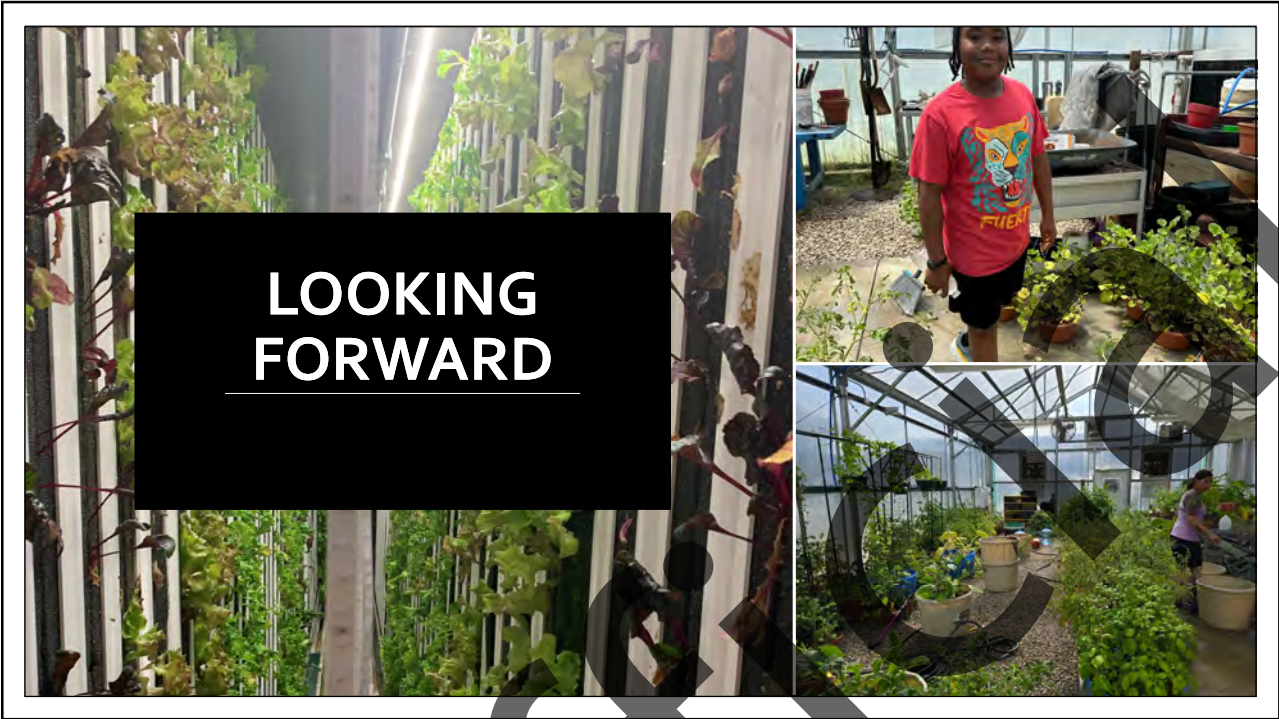




COLLABORATIONS



BRINGING
RESOURCES
IN



New and Updated Board Policies

New and Updated Board Policies

- Last policy revision dated 2018
- A total of 347 policies were reviewed by KASB
 - 176 policies were updated
 - 31 new policies to add
 - 13 policies were deleted
 - 127 policies had no change
- Deleted Policies
 - Many of the deleted policies are not part of state statute and law.
 - Some are rolled together into other policy numbers.
- Additional (New) Policies
 - Policies that need to be in place due to changes in statute and law.

New Policies Include:

CC, CGK, DE, DFAC, EBBG, FC, GAAF, GANA, GARIA, GAT, GBRF, GCIA, IDACA, IDACB, IFA, IFCC, IIBE, IIBF, IIBGC, IKA, JCB, JDDAA, JGCD, JGFGA, JGFGAA, JGFGBB, KCA, KCB, KGC, KGDA, KNA

Deleted Policies Include:

BBG, CD, CGI, CMA, GBRK, GCRK, ICB, IDA, IDCG, JFAB, JFAC, LED, MK

There are still more new and updated policies being released in response to the recent legislative session.

Textbook and Curriculum Materials Purchases

Textbook and Curriculum Purchases

- Into Reading materials from HMH for \$25,023.16
- Social Studies curriculum from HMH for \$30,464.00 (2-years)
- Autentico from SAVAS Learning Company for \$10,790.00 (6-years)
- Envision Math from SAVAS Learning Company for \$98,427 (3-years)

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