



Board Briefs

Hickman Mills C-1 School District
BOARD OF EDUCATION

HMC-1 Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting Summary Monday, April 20, 2026

The Hickman Mills C-1 Board of Education met on Monday, April 20, to discuss and approve important district plans, review updates that support students and schools, and celebrate new school board members.

The district shared positive financial news. Voters approved two ballot measures that will bring in about \$3.4 million in additional operating funds over the next school year, with no tax increase. So far this year, the district has received about 82% of its expected revenue and has spent about 68% of its budget, staying on track. Thanks to careful planning, recent changes, and community support, the district expects stronger financial stability in the coming years.

District leaders also shared updates on the upcoming school reconfiguration. Moving classrooms and materials will begin in mid-May and continue through mid-June. Planning is also underway for future improvements at Warford Elementary, with a focus on flexible classrooms, hands-on learning, and outdoor spaces. In addition, the district found a way to save about \$158,000 each year on healthcare costs while still providing the same level of care.

In academics, state testing begins April 21, and the district is preparing for its Kindergarten Kickoff event on April 28 to welcome new families. Summer school enrollment is now open, with strong early interest from elementary students. The district is also working to hire more health staff and create new training opportunities for current employees.

The district continues to focus on student well-being. A \$2 million grant was renewed to support restorative practices, helping students build positive relationships and resolve conflicts. The district is also seeking additional funding to expand mental health training and resources for staff and students.

Several new programs and partnerships were approved. These include free vision care services for students and families, expanded technology upgrades to improve internet and classroom connectivity, and partnerships to support teacher recruitment, student leadership, social-emotional learning, and services for students with special needs.

During the meeting, Evelyn Hildebrand was officially sworn in as a new Board member. The Board also selected new leadership roles, with Bonnaye Mims serving as Board President and Ann Coleman as Vice President.

The Superintendent shared important updates, including a recent literacy summit focused on improving reading outcomes for younger students. She emphasized the importance of strong literacy skills for student success. The district also recognized the impact of recent community violence and reaffirmed its commitment to supporting students and families.

The meeting concluded with announcements of upcoming events, including Kindergarten Kickoff on April 28, the HMC One Awards on May 6, and Ruskin High School graduation on May 7.

Upcoming Events

- April 28, 2026: Elementary Kindergarten Kick Off and New Family Meet & Greet
- April 30, 2026: Secondary School New Family Meet & Greet
- May 6, 2026: HMC One Awards
- May 7, 2026: Ruskin High School graduation

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

- May 21, 2026 – Board Meeting, Regular Meeting
 - Closed Session – 5:00 pm
 - Open Session Board Meeting – 6:00 pm