

Board of Education Agenda
Wichita Public Schools · USD 259
May 4, 2026 · 6:00 p.m.
Alvin E. Morris Administrative Center
903 S. Edgemoor · Wichita KS



Wichita Public Schools will be the premier district of choice, and inspire each student and staff member to thrive and become future ready within the greater community.

I. Roll Call

1. Moment of Silence
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Heights High School Color Guard

II. Presentations

A. Good News

1. Joel Escarpita recognized as Middle School Principal of the Year by Kansas Principals Association

Diligent 2.1

Contact(s): Loren Hatfield

Summary: Joel Escarpita, principal of Horace Mann K-8 Dual Language Magnet, has been named the Kansas Principals Association's Area 3 Middle School Principal of the Year. This recognition reflects his strong leadership in driving academic achievement and fostering a culture where all students feel valued and supported.

2. WPS Recognized as 2026 Best Communities for Music Education

Diligent 2.2

Contact(s): Loren Hatfield

Summary: Wichita Public Schools is proud to be recognized as a 2026 Best Communities for Music Education recipient, marking the district's 10th year earning this national honor. This recognition highlights WPS's commitment to expanding equitable access to high-quality music education while advancing the goals of the Every Student Future Ready strategic plan. Music education supports Goal 1 by strengthening student engagement, academic achievement, and on-time graduation, and aligns with Goal 3 by fostering inclusive environments where students feel connected, supported, and a strong sense of belonging within their school communities

3. East High Senior Earns Historic Back-to-Back Congressional Art Show Win

Diligent 2.3

Contact(s): Sara Richardson

Summary: East High senior Melian Miller has won the Kansas District 4 Congressional Art Show for the second consecutive year—an unprecedented achievement. She is the

first student in the district to earn back-to-back wins, and East High is the first school to do so. Her award-winning piece, *The Thing with Feathers*, will be displayed in the U.S. Capitol, and she will travel to Washington, D.C. to be recognized at a national reception. This accomplishment highlights the exceptional talent of WPS students and reflects the district's commitment to fostering creativity, academic excellence, and opportunities that prepare students for future success.

B. United Teachers of Wichita

C. Service Employees International Union

III. Public Communications

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IV. Education

A. Graduation Season Update

Diligent 4.1

Contact(s): Loren Hatfield

Purpose: This graduation update will share preliminary senior survey data, confirm upcoming graduation dates, and highlight the types of celebrations taking place this month to recognize our graduating seniors and the staff and families who support them.

Recommendation: This report is for the Board's information.

V. Reports

A. 2026 Bond Proposal: Community Feedback Summary and Bond Proposal Recommendation

Diligent 5.1

Contact(s): Gil Alvarez

Purpose: This presentation will provide the Board of Education with an overview of community and staff feedback gathered during the 2026 community engagement feedback process. The presentation will also outline the recommended bond proposal developed by district leadership in response to that feedback.

Recommendation: This presentation is for the Board's information only. No action is requested.

B. East High School Foundation Update

Diligent 5.2

Contact(s): Steve Noble

Purpose: The first-floor corridor in the Roosevelt Building of East High has been identified as

a priority repair area due to its role in supporting safe student egress from the second and third floors and providing access to the East High theater wing. As part of our ongoing facilities monitoring, deterioration in the concrete floor and sub-floor was identified and is being addressed to ensure continued safe operations. To minimize disruption, the plan is to repair the first-floor corridor over the summer. This will allow staff and students to maintain access to the theater wing once school resumes in August. The first-floor Roosevelt classrooms will be relocated to Building B, just south of East High, for the 2026-27 school year while repairs to the floor and sub-floor of those classrooms are completed. This approach allows for continuous instruction, ensures access to the theater wing, and prioritizes safety for our staff and students at East High.

Recommendation: This presentation is for the Board to make an informed approval for consent agenda item 14.

VI. Consent

A. Human Resources

1. Human Resources Report

Appendix 1

Diligent 6.1

Contact(s): Stephen Christian

Purpose: Report

Recommendation: Board approval.

B. Finance

1. Treasury Warrants: March 2026

Appendix 2

Diligent 6.2

Contact(s): Addi Lowell

Funding Source: N/A; 2025-26 Budget

Purpose: Monthly Report

Recommendation: Board Approval

2. Monthly Finance Report: March 2026

Appendix 3

Diligent 6.3

Contact(s): Addi Lowell

Funding Source: N/A; 2025-26 Budget

Purpose: This is a monthly report to the Board on the budget and finances of the district.

Recommendation: The report is provided for the Board's information. No action is requested.

C. Facilities

1. Design Services – Benton Elementary School – Creative Minds Program Addition

Diligent 6.4

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: Design services are required to expand the Creative Minds Program to Benton Elementary School. The project would include two connected classrooms with a movable partition, a separate project-based learning room intended for hands-on exploration activities, associated student restroom facilities, and a dedicated hallway and entrance to

separate the program from the remainder of the building. The program would otherwise utilize existing building amenities including specials spaces and the cafeteria.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve entering into a contract with Incite Design Studio for design services to expand the Creative Minds Program to Benton Elementary School in amount not to exceed \$37,000.

2. Design Services – North Structural Repairs – Phase 4

Diligent 6.5

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: On July 31, 2023, the Board entered into an agreement with Schaefer Architecture for professional design services for structural repairs at North and Northwest High Schools. The initial scope included Design Services for Phases 1 through 3 in the amount not to exceed \$1,307,952.89.

Design Services needs continue for North High School into Phase 4, which encompasses structural work beneath original locker rooms, original gym entrance, as well as repairs to the east sanitary sewer new main entrance. The cost for Phase 4 is not to exceed \$410,400.

This brings the total for Design Services for Phases 1 through 4 to \$1,718,352.89.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve Phase 4 Design Fees for North Structural Repairs in the amount of \$410,400.

Background Information:

05/04/2026: BOE Approval for Design Services with Schaefer Architecture (North and Northwest High Schools Structural Repairs)					
Phase 1	Phase 1: Added Scope	Phase 1: Added Scope Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 3 - fee adjustment	Phase 4
7/31/2023	11/13/2023	3/3/2025	11/3/2025	2/2/2026	5/4/2026
\$440,000	\$80,000	\$461,608.30	\$286,383.02	\$39,961.57	\$410,400
<i>Total</i>					\$1,718,352.89
C-Hall and Commons	"B - Hall" and "J- Hall"	"A-Hall" and "Mechanical Room in A-Hall"	Auditorium, Original Gymnasium, and West Mechanical Tunnel	Phase 3 original Construction ROM was \$5,206,964, and the returned bid came in at \$5,300,000. Per the contract, design fees are calculated at 5.5% of the construction cost.	Original Locker Rooms, Original Gym Entrance, east sanitary sewer near main entrance

3. Design Services – Brooks Middle School – Site Improvements

Diligent 6.6

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: Design services are required for site improvements at Brooks Middle School. The scope of work includes adding parking to reduce long walking distances and lessen reliance on street parking, improve arrival and dismissal circulation, address parking lot drainage needs, provide ADA-compliant access to public use areas, and resolve drainage concerns near the south gymnasium.

These improvements will enhance safety, accessibility, and long-term site performance

through upgraded pavement, lighting, drainage, and ADA-compliant pathways.

Proposals for this project were received on February 24, 2026, in accordance with the scoping documents prepared by USD 259 Design and Construction Team dated February 11, 2026.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve entering into a contract with Professional Engineering Consultants, PA, for design services for site improvements at Brooks Middle School in amount not to exceed \$78,700.

4. Beech Elementary School – Interior Painting

Diligent 6.7

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Budget includes funds for interior painting at Beech Elementary School

Bids for this project were received on March 13, 2026, in accordance with scoping documents prepared by USD 259 Design & Construction Team dated February 23, 2026.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Icon Structures, Inc, for interior painting at Beech Elementary School in an amount not to exceed \$56,309.

5. Cessna Elementary School – Door Replacement

Diligent 6.8

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Budget includes funding for the replacement of interior and exterior doors at Cessna Elementary School. The scope of work includes replacing doors and hardware at interior and exterior Doors 5, 6, and 9 as well as interior doors on the east and west sides of the stage. These doors have ongoing maintenance issues and have deteriorated beyond the point where repairs are feasible.

Bids for this project were received on March 12, 2026, in accordance with scoping documents prepared by USD 259 Design and Construction Team dated February 25, 2026.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Cherokee Construction, Inc, to replace doors at Cessna Elementary School in an amount not to exceed \$70,180.

6. Various - Elementary Schools – Sidewalk Trip Hazard Repairs

Diligent 6.9

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Budget includes funding to repair sidewalk trip hazards at District properties. The following Elementary schools have a combined total of 1,690 trip hazards that pose a significant safety risk and are not compliant with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or building codes and require remediation. The estimated cost per school is outlined below:

- Allen Elementary School - \$2,504.25
- Anderson Elementary School - \$3,287.81

- Beech Elementary School - \$12,348.00
- Benton Elementary School - \$5,156.16
- Bostic Elementary School - \$2,114.44
- Buckner Elementary School - \$3,703.22
- Caldwell Elementary School - \$2,844.84
- Cessna Elementary School - \$2,827.13
- Cloud Elementary School - \$5,236.88
- College Hill Elementary School - \$1,673.44
- Colvin Elementary School - \$8,587.69
- Dodge Elementary School - \$2,531.81
- Earhart Elementary School - \$1,960.88
- Enders Elementary School - \$2,917.69
- Enterprise Elementary School - \$330.75
- Franklin Elementary School - \$5,595.19
- Gammon Elementary School - \$539.44
- Gardiner Elementary School - \$3,953.25
- Griffith Elementary School - \$1,807.31
- Harry Street Elementary School - \$1,976.63
- Hyde Elementary School - \$2,732.63
- Irving Elementary School - \$4,803.75
- Jackson Elementary School - \$5,555.81
- Jefferson Elementary School - \$3,630.38
- Kelly Elementary School - \$5,492.81
- Kensler Elementary School - \$3,437.44
- Lawrence Elementary School - \$3,654.00
- Linwood Elementary School - \$5,122.69
- McCollom Elementary School - \$3,650.06
- Minneha Elementary School - \$6,268.50
- Mueller Elementary School - \$4,768.31
- Ortiz Elementary School - \$1,260.00
- Peterson Elementary School - \$2,748.38
- Price-Harris Elementary School - \$4,526.16
- Riverside Elementary School - \$1,122.19
- Seltzer Elementary School - \$5,853.09
- Spaght Elementary School - \$4,061.53
- Stanley Elementary School - \$4,100.91
- Washington Elementary School - \$8,111.25
- White Elementary School - \$1,512.00
- Woodman Elementary School - \$13,206.38
- Christa McAuliffe K-8 School - \$3,673.69
- Gordon Parks K-8 School - \$2,453.06
- Horace Mann K-8 School - \$3,163.78
- Isely K-8 School - \$1,346.63

We will utilize Precision Concrete Cutting Midwest, which employs patented technology to repair trip hazards, and is a member of the Greenbush Cooperative. Using traditional methods to demolish and replace the sidewalk sections listed above would cost approximately \$760,500. By using this specialized technology, the cost is reduced to \$178,092.24.

All high school and middle school trip hazards have already been repaired using this method.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve entering into a contract with Precision Concrete Cutting Midwest to repair sidewalk trip hazards at the elementary

schools listed above in an amount not to exceed \$178,092.24.

7. Various – Flooring Replacement – Group 3

Diligent 6.10

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Budget includes funding to replace flooring at various schools as part of ongoing facility maintenance efforts.

Bids for this project were received on March 13, 2026, in accordance with the scoping documents prepared by USD 259 Design and Construction Team dated February 24, 2026.

The following companies were identified as the lowest responsible bidders for the respective school sites:

- Country Carpet Wichita, LLC, for Allen Elementary School, Caldwell Elementary School, East High School, Franklin Elementary School, Horace Mann K-8 School, Marshall Middle School, Northwest High School.
- Floor Perfect, LLC, for Ortiz Elementary School and Riverside Elementary School.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Country Carpet Wichita, LLC, for flooring replacement at the schools listed above, in an amount not to exceed \$88,891.

It is further recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Floor Perfect, LLC, for flooring replacement at the schools listed above, in an amount not to exceed \$96,588.

8. Various – Stage Curtain Replacement – Group 2

Diligent 6.11

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Budget includes funding to replace stage curtains at various schools. The curtains selected for replacement are those that are damaged beyond repair, cannot be recoated to meet fire retardant criteria, and are past end of life. The replacements are being done at the following schools:

- Bostic Elementary School
- Coleman Middle School
- East High School
- Isely K-8 School
- Kensler Elementary School
- Minneha Elementary School
- Northwest High School
- South High School
- West High School

Bids for this project were received on March 13, 2026, in accordance with scoping documents prepared by USD 259 Design and Construction Team.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with A to Z Theatrical Supply & Service, Inc, to replace the stage curtains at the schools listed above in an amount not to exceed \$298,430.

9. On-Call General – Various – Contract Amount Increase

Diligent 6.12

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 Budget

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Budget includes funds for on-call general construction projects at various District sites. On-call general contractor agreements allow the district to address general construction needs such as doors, hardware, framing, flooring, ceilings, and other related work in response to system failures, safety or security concerns, or other high-priority and time-sensitive needs requiring expedited attention.

On June 30, 2022, the Board approved an on-call general construction services contract with Cherokee Construction, Inc, based on the low-bid response, with annual renewal options for up to three (3) subsequent years. The original not-to-exceed contract amount of \$250,000 has been fully expended on other District priority projects supported through this on-call agreement.

Additional funding is now required to support construction activities associated with the Creative Minds Program Addition at Benton Elementary School. Due to the project's accelerated schedule and required completion by August 2026, continued use of the on-call contractor is necessary to ensure timely delivery of the project and to avoid delays associated with separate bidding and procurement processes.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an amendment to the existing on-call general construction services contract with Cherokee Construction, Inc, to increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$500,000 for a revised total contract amount of \$750,000. The additional funds will support construction work associated with the Creative Minds Program Addition at Benton Elementary School. This action represents the third and final allowable renewal of this contract.

10. Stanley Elementary School – Boiler Replacements

Diligent 6.13

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Budget includes funding for the replacement of two boilers and pumps at Stanley Elementary School. The scope of work includes replacing two existing boilers and pumps which have exceeded their expected service life.

Bids for this project were received on March 13, 2026, in accordance with scoping documents prepared by Nexus Group, LLC, dated February 26, 2026.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Central Mechanical Wichita, LLC, for the replacement of two boilers and pumps at Stanley Elementary School in an amount not to exceed \$264,819.

11. Design Services – Stanley Elementary School – ADA Interior Door Replacement

Diligent 6.14

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: Design services are required to evaluate all existing interior doors at Stanley Elementary School and to develop a complete design package for the replacement of all interior doors that do not meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. The project will achieve ADA compliance through the replacement of doors, frames, hardware, and related assemblies as required. These improvements will enhance accessibility, life safety, and equitable access for students, staff, and visitors.

Proposals for this project were received on April 9, 2026, in accordance with the scoping documents prepared by USD 259 Design and Construction Team dated March 27, 2026.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve entering into a contract with Schaefer Architecture for design services for ADA Interior Door Replacement at Stanley Elementary School in amount not to exceed \$48,000.

12. Design Services – Woodman Elementary School – Parking Lot Expansion

Diligent 6.15

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: Design services are required to expand the southernmost parking lot of Woodman Elementary School. This scope includes the addition of parking spaces, new parking lot lighting, restriping, the addition of an entry drive off Dallas Street, and the removal of the existing exit drive off Hiram Street. In addition, this project includes the installation of new parking lot lighting in the north parking lot to improve overall site illumination and safety.

This project provides additional parking capacity needed to support the site, redirects traffic flow to create a safer drop-off and pick-up experience, and enhances safety through improved lighting in both the south and north parking areas.

Proposals for this project were received on April 10, 2026, in accordance with the scoping documents prepared by USD 259 Design and Construction Team dated March 30, 2026.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve entering into a contract with Professional Engineering Consultants, PA, for design services for the Parking Lot Expansion at Woodman Elementary School in amount not to exceed \$38,600.

13. Design Services – School Service Center – Operational Space Alignment

Diligent 6.16

Contact(s): Steve Noble

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: Design services are required to realign operational workspace within the School Service Center to support the integration of staff from multiple divisions into an area previously configured for a single division. The project includes reconfiguration of existing workstations; construction of two enclosed offices; modifications to circulation paths; and updates to shared support spaces, including print/plotter areas and break/storage zones. The proposed design will enhance workflow efficiency, support both collaborative and individual work needs, and maintain operational continuity throughout implementation.

Proposals for this project were received on April 13, 2026, in accordance with the scoping documents prepared by USD 259 Design and Construction Team dated February 6, 2026.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve entering into a contract with Alloy Architecture PA for design services for Operational Space Alignment at the School Service Center in amount not to exceed \$25,900.

14. East High School – Structural Repairs – Roosevelt Wing

Diligent 6.17

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: Structural repairs are required at East High School on the first floor of the

Roosevelt Wing. This wing was originally constructed in 1922, and the first-floor structure has been determined to be compromised in most locations. As a result, demolition and replacement of the existing first-floor concrete slab and supporting concrete beams are required.

Immediate action is necessary to begin replacement of the first-floor corridor slab and beams in the Roosevelt Wing. This work is critical to allow access to the wing by August 2026. Completion of the corridor repairs will provide the code-required means of access and fire egress necessary for the second- and third-floor classrooms to be occupied for the Fall 2026 semester.

First-floor classrooms within the Roosevelt Wing will remain closed for the 2026-27 school year to allow for the continuation of structural repairs, including replacement of additional concrete beams and floor slabs in those areas.

The estimated cost for the structural repairs is \$4,710,000. Additional funding will be required for mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems impacted by the structural work. Design for this additional scope is currently in progress and will be presented to the Board for consideration after bids are received.

Approval of the structural repair funding at this time will allow for early material procurement and contractor mobilization, ensuring construction can begin immediately after school is dismissed in May.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve entering into a contract with Reconstruction Services, LLC, for the structural repairs to the first-floor of the Roosevelt Wing at East High School in an amount not to exceed \$4,710,000.

D. Operations

1. 2026-27 Building Crisis Plan Template & Cardiac Emergency Response Plan (Annual Review) Appendix 4

Diligent 6.18

Contact(s): Terri Moses

Funding Source: N/A

Purpose: The Building Crisis Plan Template serves as a tool to provide building crisis teams a framework to develop their crisis plans. The Building Crisis Plan Template is reviewed and revised on a yearly basis. This review and revision is completed with the input of members of the District Crisis Team and suggestions from principals. The 2026-27 Building Crisis Plan Template meets the criteria outlined in Standard #5 of the Kansas State Department of Education Safe and Secure Standards published December 2018.

The Cardiac Emergency Response Plan (CERP) serves as a tool to provide attendance centers guidance for responding to cardiac emergencies to reduce death from cardiac arrest. The Cardiac Emergency Response Plan is based on recommendations from the American Heart Association and the Cardiac Emergency Response Plans (CERP) Standards for Plans and Implementation published October 2024. The Cardiac Emergency Response Plan (CERP) will be reviewed annually and revised as needed.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve the 2026-27 Building Crisis Plan Template and review the Cardiac Emergency Response Plan.

E. Bids

1. Purchasing Consent Appendix 5

Diligent 6.19

Purpose: Report

Recommendation: Board approval.

Summary

Description of Products/Services	Amount	Responsible Party
1. Range Replacements	\$57,400.00	Holly Ingram
2. Business U License	\$49,645.00	Holly Ingram
3. Adobe Licenses for Students	\$25,725.00	Holly Ingram
4. Project Lead The Way	\$40,000.00	Holly Ingram
5. Job Ready Work Based Learning Software	\$31,200.00	Holly Ingram
6. PE T-Shirts	\$80,000.00	Loren Hatfield
7. AESOP Substitute Placement Program	\$115,000.00	Rob Dickson
8. Applicant Tracking System	\$146,161.00	Rob Dickson
9. Cisco Networking Equipment, Security, & Services	\$5,200,000.00	Rob Dickson
10. Maintenance Copier Usage	\$650,000.00	Rob Dickson
11. Destiny Library System Maintenance & Support	\$182,591.52	Rob Dickson
12. Edgenuity – Imagine Learning	\$257,200.00	Rob Dickson
13. Edulog Support & Maintenance	\$88,591.72	Rob Dickson
14. Edynamic Learning	\$27,400.00	Rob Dickson
15. E-Rate Management Services	\$75,000.00	Rob Dickson
16. Fiber, Internet, Local Access, Telecom Services	\$1,500,000.00	Rob Dickson
17. Microsoft Imagine Academy	\$61,000.00	Rob Dickson
18. Seesaw Learning	\$168,500.00	Rob Dickson
19. Storage Area Network (SAN) Products & Support Services	\$800,000.00	Rob Dickson
20. Time Clock Software Support	\$225,000.00	Rob Dickson
21. Telecom Services	\$84,000.00	Rob Dickson
22. Forever Lawn Turf Installation – Heights	\$96,205.83	Luke Newman
23. Forever Lawn Turf Installation – College Hill	\$29,223.97	Luke Newman
24. HVAC Automation Software	\$29,340.00	Luke Newman
25. Intercom Headend Systems	\$188,057.79	Luke Newman
26. Duplo DC618 Cutter Creaser	\$47,751.90	Fabián Armendáriz
27. Leader In Me Implementation	\$48,623.69	Fabián Armendáriz
28. Xerox B9136 Primelink Digital B/W Press	\$140,000.00	Fabián Armendáriz
29. Nutrition Services Meal Order, Planning and Inventory Management Software	\$87,530.00	Fabián Armendáriz
30. 5 Compartment Compostable Lunch Trays	\$495,000.00	Fabián Armendáriz
31. Cafeteria, Classroom and Office Furniture, and Supplies	\$1,500,000.00	Fabián Armendáriz
32. Food Report – March 2026	\$218,408.81	Fabián Armendáriz

33. Supply Warehouse Stock – March 2026	\$214,106.86	Fabián Armendáriz
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F. Learning Services

1. CTE Pathway Textbook Purchase

Diligent 6.20

Contact(s): Holly Ingram

Funding Source: Textbook Fund; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: In the 2026-2027 school year, the Mental & Behavioral Health CTE pathway will be added. This purchase will support those new courses with student and teacher textbooks and teacher licenses. This purchase will also update resources for the Nutrition and Wellness course.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the purchase of the textbooks and teacher licenses for CTE pathway courses from Goodheart-Willcox Publisher in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.

G. Student Support Services

1. Local Education Agency Assurances for IDEA Federal Grants (Renewal) Appendix 6

Diligent 6.21

Contact(s): Vince Evans

Funding Source: Federal Grant; 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: In order to receive approximately \$14 million in Federal funds to provide Special Education Services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) guidelines, Wichita Public Schools must provide the Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) an assurance that the district will comply with all Federal and State special education requirements.

Once assurances are provided, Wichita Public Schools will provide KSDE with the district's proposed budget for the 2026-27 school year by June 2026. The district will then provide a finalized expended budget to KSDE in June 2027

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve the KSDE Local Education Agency (LEA) Application for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B Funds, as provided in.

2. YESS Camp 2026-27

Diligent 6.22

Contact(s): Vince Evans

Funding Source: Special Education; 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: AbilityPoint, in partnership with the Wichita Public Schools, will provide summer learning opportunities for community students with developmental disabilities during the summer of 2026. The partnership allows students to learn in district classroom settings in combination with community inclusion opportunities.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the district to enter into an agreement with AbilityPoint to provide summer learning opportunities for community students with developmental disabilities for the summer of 2026.

H. Renewals

1. Purposeful Play Training & Support (Renewal)

Diligent 6.23

Contact(s): Holly Ingram

Funding Source: Federal Funding; 2025-26 and 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: Educational Services & Staff Development Association of Central Kansas (ESSDACK) will provide customized professional learning to buildings implementing Kindergarten Purposeful Play as well as consultation, classroom visits, follow up sessions and resources and materials. This will be the third cohort of teachers and schools to be trained and implement Purposeful Play in kindergarten.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board authorize the contract of services with ESSDACK in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.

2. Jobs for America's Graduates – Kansas (JAG-K)

Diligent 6.24

Contact(s): Loren Hatfield

Funding Source: At Risk; 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: The Multi-Year School-to-Career Program is based on the Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) Model. The multi-year school-to-career program serves high school students for up to four (4) years in school and for an additional twelve (12) months of follow-up services.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve JAG-K contract in an amount not to exceed \$121,575 for the renewal of programs at North, Northwest, South, Southeast, West, and Sowers.

3. YMCA Child Development Centers (Renewal)

Diligent 6.25

Contact(s): Holly Ingram

Funding Source: General Fund, 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: The district contracts with the Greater Wichita YMCA to operate child development centers (CDCs) at high school locations providing quality childcare services and education opportunities to district students, district employees, and community parents.

Recommendation: Per BOE Policy 3304, it is reported payment will be made to the Greater Wichita YMCA (Wichita, KS), in an amount not to exceed \$244,771 for the operation of child development centers at each of the comprehensive high schools.

4. Xello (Renewal)

Diligent 6.26

Contact(s): Loren Hatfield

Funding Source: General Fund; 2026-27 Budget

Purpose: Xello is a web-based tool used with middle and high school students to explore career interests, skills inventories, and research postsecondary options. The data collected from Xello is used by school counselors and College and Career Center coordinators in assisting students to select courses to achieve their postsecondary plans. Implementation of Xello will meet KSDE requirements regarding individual plans of study.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the renewal of Xello via Orion (South Central Kansas Education Center) for the use in assessing and aligning students' career interests with course selections to build actionable plans for college and career development in an amount not to exceed \$91,000.

I. Agreements, Fees, Services, Settlements

1. Legal Services: Fleeson, Gooing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and McDonald Tinker PA

Diligent 6.27

Contact(s): Stephen Christian and Dan Lawrence

Funding Source: 47 Fund – Risk Management Reserve Fund, 42 Fund – Special Liability, 52 Fund – Workers' Compensation Reserve Fund; 2025-26 Budget

Purpose: Fleeson, Gooing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC have submitted a statement for March 2026 legal services and expenses for Civil Litigation in the amount of \$25,987.50.

McDonald Tinker PA have submitted a statement for March 2026 legal services and expenses for Workers' Compensation in the amount of \$15,702.15.

This brings the 2025-26 fiscal year-to-date total to \$130,721.16 for Civil Litigation services and \$120,036.43 for Workers' Compensation services.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize payment for legal services and expenses for Civil Litigation and Workers' Compensation under the school district's self-insured programs for March 2026 in the amount of \$25,987.50 to Fleeson, Gooing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and the amount of \$15,702.15 to McDonald Tinker PA.

2. Workers' Compensation Settlement: [D.S.S.]

Diligent 6.28

Contact(s): Stephen Christian, Boni Burkhart

Funding Source: 52 Fund; 2025-26 Budget

Purpose: D.S.S. sustained an injury to the cervical/thoracic/lumbar spine, left elbow, and left wrist during their employment with USD 259 on Sep. 27, 2022. A settlement order has been issued for \$57,000 as the award for this litigated case.

D.S.S. also sustained an injury to the left hip and left knee during their employment with USD 259 on Nov. 29, 2022. A settlement order has been issued for \$25,000 as the award for this litigated case.

This does not close out future medical on these claims, nor does it include any global releases.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve these agreed upon awards for D.S.S.'s 2022 work injuries totaling in the amount of \$82,000.

3. Workers' Compensation Settlement: [K.J.]

Diligent 6.29

Contact(s): Stephen Christian, Boni Burkhart

Funding Source: 52 Fund; 2025-26 Budget

Purpose: K.J. sustained an injury to the cervical/thoracic spine, and left knee/shoulder during their employment with USD 259 on April 8, 2024. A settlement order has been issued for \$30,000 as the final settlement for this litigated case. This does close out future medical on this claim but does not include a global release.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve these agreed upon awards for K.J.'s 2024 work injuries totaling in the amount of \$30,000.

4. Workers' Compensation Settlement: [T.S.]

Diligent 6.30

Contact(s): Stephen Christian, Boni Burkhart

Funding Source: 52 Fund; 2025-26 Budget

Purpose: T.S. sustained an injury to the cervicothoracic spine and bilateral hearing loss during their employment with USD 259 on April 24, 2023. A settlement order has been issued for \$50,677 as future Medicare Set Aside plus \$24,333.94 as Permanent Partial Disability for a total settlement amount of \$70,010.94 as the final settlement for this litigated case. This does close out future medical on this claim but does not include a global release.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve these agreed upon awards for T.S.'s 2023 work injuries totaling in the amount of \$70,010.94.

J. Routine Items

1. BOE Meeting Minutes for April 3, 2026 Board Workshop

Appendix 7

Diligent 6.31

Contact(s): Litona Hoyt

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for the April 3, 2026 Board Workshop are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation: Board approval.

2. BOE Meeting Minutes for April 6, 2026 Board Meeting

Appendix 8

Diligent 6.32

Contact(s): Litona Hoyt

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for the April 6, 2026 Board Meeting are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation: Board approval.

3. BOE Meeting Minutes for April 20, 2026 Tri-Governmental Meeting

Appendix 9

Diligent 6.33

Contact(s): Litona Hoyt

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for the April 20, 2026 Tri-Governmental Meeting are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation: Board approval.

4. 2026-27 and 2027-28 Board Meeting Resolution

Appendix 10

Diligent 6.34

Contact(s): Litona Hoyt

Purpose: At the April 6 Board of Education meeting, the board approved the board meeting dates for the 2026-27 and 2027-28 school year. At this time, we bring forward the Board resolution to establish the schedule for regular Board of Education.

Recommendation: Board approval.

K. Out of State Travel Requests

1. Change to total of Out of State Travel Request - Gordon Parks Academy to New York, NY

Diligent 6.35

Contact(s): Loren Hatfield

Funding Source: Fundraising, Student Payments, Local Gifts and grants; 2025-26 Budget

Purpose: On 5/26/2026 to 6/2/2026, Gordon Parks students will participate in a trip to New York, NY to explore history of Gordon Parks and gain first-hand experience in arts, media, and storytelling. Approximately 19 students, and six teachers will participate.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve for Gordon Parks Academy to attend the activities in New York, NY in an amount not to exceed \$80,500.

VII. Reports and Requests

- A. Superintendent's Report
- B. New Business and Board of Education Requests

VIII. Adjournment